

## Prestigious Awards Ceremony of the LIT Lighting Design Awards at the Museum of the Acropolis, Athens.

SWITZERLAND , June 2, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The international lighting design community was celebrated on May 30th, the winners of <u>LIT Lighting Design Awards</u> were honored at a distinguished awards ceremony.

Professional and emerging Lighting Designers, whose outstanding work has earned them the prestigious Lighting Award, were celebrated at the renowned LIT Lighting Design Awards on Monday 30th of May at prestigious Museum of the Acropolis in Athens, Greece.

The new Acropolis lighting, realized by "Eleftheria Deko & Associates", won the "2021 LIT Lighting Design of the year", in this special occasion, the LIT Lighting Design Awards had the illustrious privilege of hosting the Award ceremony at the "Museum of the Acropolis" to celebrate the LIT Awards Winners and enjoy a magnificent view of the UNESCO World Heritage site.



Dr Lina Mendoni ( Greece Minister of Culture and Sports), Mr Papadimitriou, President of the Onassis Foundation, Mrs Eleftheria Deko.

The internationally renowned prize is awarded to companies and illustrious designers whose challenging norms and pushing boundaries to bring their lighting vision to reality.

The ceremony and cocktail reception were attended by over 100 guests from 17 countries, representing the very finest in Lighting Design.

The ceremony was officially opened by the Greece Minister of Culture and Sports, Dr Lina Mendoni, speaking about the symbolism of the Acropolis for Western Civilization and the impact of Eleftheria Deko's work. "The lighting now highlights the entire Sacred Rock, the Walls, the volume, the geometry of each monument, from every possible point of view. The marbles, whiter than ever, reflect the natural material, exalt every aspect, every shape, emphasize the relief of the decoration of every monument." adding that "The new lighting is gaining international recognition by art and lighting experts worldwide."

Over the course of the evening, the LIT Awards "Design of the Year", Lifetime Achievement recipients and Spotlight prizes have been awarded.

LIT Lighting Design Awards 2021 Winners:

Eleftheria Deko received the "Lighting Design of the Year" award for the new lighting of the Acropolis of Athens and Monuments, while the California-based designer Charles Prograce was awarded for the "Lighting Product Design of the Year" for the Opteris Chandelier.

The student design projects of Congrui Gao, "Emerging Lighting Designer of the Year" and Jay Burnett, "Emerging Lighting Product Designer of the Year" were presented and well received by the audience.

Craig A. Bernecker, Professor of Lighting Design at Parsons School of Design and Tony Lawrence, Product Designers from Concord Lighting were presented with the "Lifetime Achievement" Awards by Randy Reid, the editor at designing lighting magazine and LIT Awards Jury Member.



Eleftheria Deko - Lighting Design of the Year 2021



LUCI Association, a non-profit organization bringing together over 70 member towns worldwide that use light as a tool for social, cultural and economic development; was honored for its contribution to the Lighting Industry and to our cities with the "Spotlight Prize".

LIT Lighting Design Awards 2020 Winners:

Niamh Barry was honored with the "Lighting Product Design of the Year" for her lighting creation "Artists Hands", while Erin Held from Chartersills received the "Lighting Design of the Year" for the Union Station Great Hall Restoration project in Chicago.



Charles Prograce- Lighting Product Design of the Year 2021, Katia Kolovea – Founder of Archifos, Roman Blahynka & Milan Hiuchy – Motylum company.

The young designers, Swathi Madhi, Samriti Gosain and Neeraj R Jawale received the emerging designers' prizes.

The work and contribution of the "Lifetime Achievement" recipients of 2020 were celebrated; Sally Storey, Director of John Cullen Lighting and Founder of Lighting Design International company as well as Professor Wout van Bommel for his researches on lighting application.

Last, "Women in Lighting" (WIL), an inspirational digital platform that profiles women working in the field of lighting design received the spotlight prize for 2020. Katia Kolovea, the communication specialist of the project shared a few words on the initiative and the development of their network.

"The LIT Lighting Design Awards ceremony was an unforgettable event, possibly one of the most significant celebrations of the Lighting industry this year." Said Astrid Hébert – Director of the LIT Awards; adding that "Gathering over 100 of the most creative lighting designers from around the world, in the Western birth place of "Art", in front of the Acropolis of Athens has been extraordinary".

The ceremony was also attended by Mr Papadimitriou, President of the Onassis Foundation, Mr Didaskalou, the Secretary General of Culture at the Ministry of Culture and Sports and LIT Awards Jury Members.

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## About LIT Lighting Design Awards

The LIT Lighting Design Awards <sup>™</sup> was created to recognize the efforts of talented international lighting product designers and lighting implementers. We believe that lighting is both an art and a science, and it is one of the most important elements of design. The LIT Awards envisioned to celebrate creativity and innovation in the fields of lighting products and applications. The LIT Lighting Design Awards is a sibling program of the LIT Lighting Design Award (LIT), The SIT Furniture Design Award (SIT) and The LIV Hospitality Design Awards (LIV) which have emerged as some of the most well-known Design Prize today.

LIT Lighting Design Awards is a program under the 3C Awards, a leading organization curating and promoting design across the globe. The company represents today's diversity and innovation in Lighting Design, Furniture Design, Interior Design, and Architecture. Each brand is a symbol of design excellence around the world, showcasing Professional and Emerging designers' work to over 100 expert jury members. Contact Information:

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