

## **The best taxpayers awarded on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023**

The awards were topped by BRALIRWA as the Overall Best Taxpayer 2022 at the national level.

### **Overall contributors in Kigali and Provinces**

At the provincial level, the Overall Best Taxpayer 2022 in the Northern Province went to Gorilla Nest Lodge & Golf Resort (also known as One&Only), Nshili Kivu Tea Factory outperformed other taxpayers in the Southern Province, Pfunda Tea Company did the same in the Western Province, while Manebu Industries excelled in the Eastern Province.

Jean Bosco Nkundunkundiye scooped the Overall Best Taxpayer 2022 in Local Government Taxes.

### **Best large taxpayers:**

Five entities were awarded in this category, namely MTN Rwandacell, Mota-Engil, IHS Rwanda, CIMERWA, and I&M Bank (Rwanda).

### **Best small taxpayers upgraded to large taxpayers:**

Also referred to as the growing taxpayers' category, its awardees are Prime Cement, Kasese Distillers & Distributors, Africa Lubricant Manufacturing Co., and Shema Power Lake Kivu.

### **Best medium taxpayers:**

Winners in this category are COFATOLE, a company that manufactures steel construction materials, Thousand Hills Africa, Imizi Eco-tourism Development, and Construck.

### **Best micro individuals:**

Three people were appreciated for their outstanding performance in this category. They are Augustin Byukusenge, Anastase Nizeyimana, and Belinda Karenzi.

### **Best in Local Government taxes:**

Joram Mugwaneza, Ruth Mukantabana, and Jobanputra Ramnik Shakuntala were awarded as the best taxpayers in local government taxes.

### **Best exporters:**

Equinox Mining, FG Investment (R), and Simbi Coffee Investment were the winners in export-related tax compliance.

### **Best importer:**

In this category, Bakhresa Grain Milling (Rwanda) – also known as Azam – outclassed other taxpayers.

### **Special categories:**

In special categories, DUHAMIC-ADRI was the best local non-governmental organization (NGO) taxpayer, while the International NGO award went to Partners in Health.

The manufacturing sector's best taxpayer award went to Master Steel, while the University of Global Health Equity performed well in voluntary disclosure.

### **Best EBM user:**

Skol Brewery, Inyange Industries, and Radiant Insurance Company were recognized for their compliance with EBM use.

### **Tax Compliance Initiative in the self-regulatory sector:**

This recognition was given to the Rwanda Wood Value Chain Association, ADARWA Association, and APARWA Association, whose work seeks to promote carpentry in Rwanda.

### **Best Consumer:**

Jean Claude Mwizerwa was awarded as the best consumer for requesting EBM receipts for his purchases.

The event also recognized Kepler College as the winner of the RRA student debate on taxation in 2023."