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## TIE20 AWARDS NOMINATIONS OPEN TO CELEBRATE THE ELITE 20 ENTREPRENEURS AND INNOVATORS



Last date for TiE20 nominations: September 29, 2017.

FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN, U.S., September 7, 2017 /<u>EINPresswire.com</u>/ -- The Detroit chapter of TiE, opened nominations today for its TiECon Detroit TiE20 Startup Awards, the hallmark event to identify and bring to spotlight the top 20 entrepreneurs and innovators. TiE20 Startup awards will be presented at TiECon Detroit's annual conference on November 9-10, 2017 at the Detroit Marriott, Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan.

TiE20 Awards acknowledges excellence among 20 Early Stage Startups. The five focus segments include Health & Fitness, Mobility, Fintech & Blockchain, Artificial Intelligence/Augmented Reality/Virtual Reality, and Sensors. "TiE 20 is a platform for all aspiring entrepreneurs", said Luxmi Dutt Sharma, Chair TiE20 Midwest Startup Awards. Individuals, businesses, and organizations with a demonstrable business model, innovation, market viability that is a value add to the society, are invited to apply or nominate known startups for the elite Detroit TiE20 Startup Awards. The last date for nominations is September 29, 2017.

TiE20 finalists will be selected by a combination of evaluations, screenings and judging by successful entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, domain experts; and public polling. The TiE20 winners will have the opportunity to present their companies in a live showcase at the conference. Most importantly, they will get access to TiE's powerful global entrepreneurial ecosystem that is dedicated to fostering and enhancing entrepreneurship.

"If you have an idea to bring in a Change; ideas based on sound businesses that are feasible, practical and sustainable and with proven market demand in these 5 verticals, then TiE 20 is the right place for you", said Alicia Niebel Co-chair TiE20 Startup Awards. For nominations, eligibility, submission and selection process, please visit <u>www.tiecondetroit.org</u>. For more information about TiE20 Startup Awards, contact Luxmi Dutt, (248) 635-8286, or Alicia Niebel, (248) 254-4022, or email tie20@tiecondetroit.org.

## About TiECon Detroit 2017

TiECon Detroit 2017 is Michigan's largest entrepreneurial conference, attracting hundreds of entrepreneurs, venture capitalists and other professionals. This year's theme is Ignite2Disrupt- The World Of Digital Connectivity and is being held on Nov 09-10, 2017 at the Detroit Marriott, Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan. For more information, visit <u>http://www.tiecondetroit.org/</u>.