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«Leadership is not a matter of gender, but we believe that women can make the difference. For this reason we are going against the status quo and for the third year in a row the Le Fonti IAIR CEO of the Year prize went to **Nashwa Al Ruwaini**, CEO of **Pyramedia**» stated **Guido Giommi**, Le Fonti's President & Founder. It definitely isn't the first time that a woman or growing opinion leaders and companies have received the most important prize at Le Fonti Awards – CEO Summit. **Thomas Piketty** received the IAIR Award as Most Influential Man of the Year in 2014, just before his global consecration. The Awards, organized and promoted by **Le Fonti**, the independent media & research company with over 15 years of experience, has come this year to its 7th annual edition with 25 gala ceremonies all over the world: Hong Kong, New York, Milan, London, Singapore and Dubai. Over the years, 500 companies have been recognized for titles of excellence on the basis of their dedication to innovation, sustainability, leadership, business development, internationalization and education. Among the winners have been both big corporations and local excellences that have distinguished themselves for their successful achievements. «Technological investments, constant innovation to slake the market's thirst. Maximum efficiency, minimum water consumption aimed at helping farmers to access water safeguarding the environment. A skilled team for sustainable development», said **Carmelo Giuffrè**, Founder of **Irritec**, the Italian company awarded in 2016 as company of the year for innovation for its irrigation systems. **Panasonic**, **Ricoh** and **Philips** were also recognized for their social responsible projects in Asia and Europe. The Asian giants **China Telecom** and **Hutchison Global Communications** triumphed several years in a row in the tlc sector, while **Argon Asset Management** and its CEO, **Mothobi Seseli** positioned themselves within the African financial industry for two consecutive years. The strategic role of construction and property saw the victory of **Emaar**, **Lippo Karawaci** and **Shaikhani Group**, company of the year for leadership in the real estate development sector in the Middle East. Lastly, diving into the legal market, the Le Fonti Awards went to the firms of **Skadden**, **Freshfields** and **Paul Hastings** as well as single attorney **Roberto Pisano**, Founder of **Studio Legale Pisano**, awarded Lawyer of the year of boutique of excellence in criminal law in 2016. The next black tie event will be in Hong Kong on the 10th of March, 2017, with the most anticipated record of participants for the Asian market thus far. We are currently awaiting the company nominations of the best in class.



1. Guido Giommi, Le Fonti's President & Founder; 2. Roberto Pisano, Founder and Managing Partner of Studio Legale Pisano; 3. Mothobi Seseli, CEO of Argon Asset Management; 4. Nashwa Al Ruwaini, CEO of Pyramedia; 5. Carmelo Giuffrè, Founder of Irritec; 6. Mahmood Shaikhani, Managing Director of Shaikhani Group with President Giommi; 7. Shereen Ghabrial, General Manager of Pyramedia with President Giommi; 8. Hutchison Global Communications; 9. Joe Tsuchiya, Director Brand Management Panasonic APAC; 10. Ivan Wong, former IR Manager of China Telecom.