



## Winners announced of the Eutelsat TV Awards 2012!

**Venice, 30 November 2012** - "Creative programming, engagement with viewers and a feel for new trends are core to great TV," said Michel de Rosen, Eutelsat CEO, at tonight's Eutelsat TV Awards ceremony in Venice.

The Eutelsat TV Awards is a unique international event recognising the quality of thematic satellite TV channels. Over 120 channels from 19 countries participated in this year's competition, their programming formats, innovation and audience relationship judged by an independent panel of media experts representing the world's most dynamic broadcasting markets.

Simon Albury, former Chief Executive of the Royal Television Society and patron of this year's jury added: "It's no understatement to say that 2012 has been an historic year for TV. Audience records were broken around the world for mega events like the Olympics and broadcasters showed their boundless capacity to create innovative programming ideas and to turn the arrival of new platforms and changing viewing habits to their advantage. At the end of the day great viewing is about great content and this is what we have celebrated tonight at the Eutelsat TV Awards. Congratulations to all participants!"

## **Eutelsat TV Awards Winners 2012**









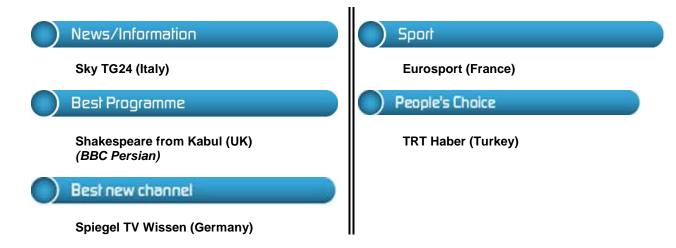
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In addition to Awards bestowed by the jury, Eutelsat announced two special awards in Venice.

An Award to Sky Sports Group for its exceptional coverage of the 2012 London Olympic Games, with 13 dedicated channels, 12 of which were in HD and one in 3D. A team of 60 Italian athletes who have won a combined 600 Olympic medals worked alongside Sky's regular sports journalists to comment throughout the event.

An Award to TVM (Madagascar's national broadcaster) for its commitment to reflecting Madagascar's regional diversity in its programmes and for generating fiction that addresses issues of direct relevance to its audience.

The Eutelsat TV Awards Jury includes experts from leading publications and TV associations: Jerzy Barski, Tv-Sat Magazine (Poland), Jacques Braun, Eurodata TV (France), Sergey Buntman, Echo de Moscow (Russia), Paolo Dalla Chiara, Pentastudio (Italy), Ludger Lausberg EGTA (Europe), Fusun Nebil, Turk Internet (Turkey), Giacomo Mazzone, Eurovisioni (Europe), Reem Nouss (UK). Jury Chairman, Duilio Giammaria, Rai (Italy); technical expert Mauro Roffi, Millecanali (Italy).

Red carpet highlights, clips of the nominated programmes and all the latest images from the night's events will be shortly available at: www.eutelsattvawards.com

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