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Dale Collins accepts the Platinum tonnage award from OMNI President, Keith Meader.

## **Graebel takes** Platinum at OMNI

Graebel Movers International has won the Platinum award for the most tonnage shipped through the OMNI network during 2017.

he US relocation management company has been the leading shipper in OMNI for many years, outstripping all other member companies by a significant margin.

The OMNI tonnage awards are made every year at the annual conference, this year held in Palm Beach, Florida. The awards are split into two distinct groups: the Regional

Gold Sales Awards, presented to the leading shipper in each of six geographical regions; and the improvers awards, presented to companies in three categories that have increased their tonnage through the network compared with the previous year.

The winners of the Improvers Awards traditionally change every year as it is very difficult for any

company to increase its tonnage through the network sufficiently to win its category two years running. However, Stuttaford Van Lines in South Africa was an exception in 2018 having taken awards in three consecutive years.

The Regional Awards, by comparison, are more predictable, however 2018 was again unusual as the winners in each category were the same as in 2017:

**Central & South American Region** G-INTER, Brazil

Africa & Middle East Region Elliott Mobility, South Africa

**North American Region** Graebel Movers International, USA

**Asian Region** Asian Tigers Mobility, Singapore

**European Region** 

Grospiron International, France

**Australian Region** Kent Relocation Services, Australia

In accepting the Platinum Award on behalf of Graebel, Dale Collins reiterated the importance of the Dow Jones Risk and Compliance tool that is now compulsory for every OMNI member to access. He said that it was essential for Graebel to ensure that its partners around the world were doing everything possible to operate ethically. The demand was coming from Graebel's corporate clients and he believes the Dow Jones tool to be the best available on the market. "In choosing and selecting our partners in the future it's going to be more important that compliance is demonstrated and evidenced and I think the Dow Jones tool is absolutely essential to make that a reality," he said.

## **MONDIAL MOVERS MAASTRICHT RECEIVES MOVING COMPANY OF THE** YEAR AWARD 2018

ondial Movers has presented its Maastricht branch, Mondial Centrum Removals, with its coveted Moving Company of the Year Award. The branch owners, Robert and Michael van Maasakker, were proud to receive the award during the annual meeting of Mondial Movers. The award was presented by the mayor of the city of Zoetermeer, where the meeting was held.

Mondial Movers has 27 branches throughout The Netherlands. The winner of the annual competition is selected by a professional jury, which makes a decision based on customer reviews, sustainability, the number of additional qualifications obtained by the mover and the company's collaboration with other moving companies.



## **Netmove receives Arpin International Group Partner of the Year Award**

rpin International Group has named Netmove, a Brazilbased mobility services company, as its first 2017 Partner of the Year. Arpin presented the award at the 2018 Annual FIDI conference last month. Arnaldo Petarnela, Managing Director, and Fernando Donadon, of the sales division, received the award on behalf of Netmove.

The 2017 Partner of the Year award is given to the foreign agent that best represents Arpin International Group globally as voted upon by all of Arpin's move coordinators. These employees

are asked to rate Arpin's partners by quality of communication, service, rates, teamwork and documentation.

"Netmove, who handles much of our work in and out of Brazil, received consistently high marks from our move coordinators around the world," said Mark Dearborn, Vice President of Global Accounts for Arpin Group. "While we value all of our partners, the folks at Netmove stand out — they are a joy to work with and make our job much easier. We are grateful for Netmove's professionalism and loyal partnership."



Netmove, based in Osasco, Brazil, was established in 1996. The company offers a range of mobility services, including international and domestic moves for local

companies and their employees as well as for expatriates from all over the world. Netmove has been an Arpin International Group partner since 2013.