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Castle Leslie receivies IASI Silver Award

Castle Leslie Estate is delighted to announce that they are the proud recipient of an IASI Silver Award 2017. The IASI Irish Accommodation Services Awards are the only awards in Ireland exclusively dedicated to the Accommodation sector. There are 6 different categories:

- 5* hotels
- 4* hotels
- 3* hotels
- Schools and colleges
- Hospitals
- Nursing homes

All of the categories are inspected by a council member and require a score of over 80% to pass the inspection. There were over 120 applications for the Accommodation Awards 2017.

The Irish Accommodation Services Institute (IASI), formerly the Association of Hotel Accommodation Management was founded in 1985 and was formed by a group of people who were working in different fields within the Hospitality Industry as a forum to promote standards and share experiences within the accommodation sector. It is extremely active in promoting best practice standards.

The council team are IASI members who organise and drive the organisation, planning its meetings and the annual



Pictured from left to right: Ines Guerra (IASI President), Margaret Canny (Accommodation Service Manager at **Castle Leslie** Estate) and Tommy Gilshan (Ecolab, the 2017 IASI Awards main sponsor).

conference, exhibition and gala ball. It is a voluntary job requiring a lot of dedication. The association is continuously looking for education and training for Accommodation Managers and Supervisors.

The IASI in its promotion of excellence through people has developed a number of courses

for its members in conjunction with third party trainers, these have included courses in supervision, leadership, budgeting and coaching. They all cover very important aspects of every accommodation manager's role. For further details, please visit www.iasi.ie