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And the Winner of the Gold Rose Is ...

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During the IPM show in January, the winner of the International Grower of the Year Award was announced: Greenwood Plants, a wholesale nursery from the UK. Presenting the award was AIPH President Leonardo Capitano. Greenwood also won the Finished Trees & Shrubs category and the Sustainability Award.

Greenwood is a landscape supply nursery that specializes in the new build property, commercial and infrastructure sectors. With over 100 acres, it produces around 6 million plants a year across its six nursery sites. In 2023, the company was awarded the HTA Peat-free Grower of the Year award due to its commitment to sustainability.

At the same event, the Young International Grower of the Year was announced: Colin Fernandes, Trial Site Coordinator for the cut flower grower Marginpar of Kenya. Colin and the other entrants pictured were participants in Jungle Talks' Pro Manager Mastercourse.

By the way, one of those Mastercourse participants was Stephanie Saccomano, the *GrowerTalks* Young Grower Award winner in 2020 and current *GrowerTalks* columnist! **GT**

Top left: Young International Grower of the Year Colin Fernandes accepting his award.

Left: Representatives from Greenwood Plants accepting the International Grower of the Year Award at IPM this year.