

CEO Dave Byrne Receives Prestigious Recognition at Global AMBA BGA Awards

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We are thrilled to announce that our CEO, **Dave Byrne**, has been named **Runner-Up ("Highly Commended")** at the **2025 AMBA & BGA Excellence Awards** in London. This global recognition highlights his leadership, innovation, and dedication to driving ReaDI-Watch's success in the B2B technology sector.



Dave Byrne nominated for the AMBA BGA Entrepreneur of the Year Excellence Awards

What Are the AMBA & BGA Awards?

The Association of MBAs (AMBA) and Business Graduates Association (BGA) are among the world's leading authorities on business education. Their annual Excellence Awards celebrate outstanding individuals and institutions that contribute to business excellence and societal impact. The competition draws top talent from elite business schools worldwide, making Dave's commendation a remarkable achievement.

Why Was Dave Byrne Nominated?

Dave's recognition stems from his **leadership** at ReaDI-Watch, where he has spearheaded the development of a cutting-edge service and platform, that enhance real-time decision-making for businesses carrying out research, development & innovation. Under his leadership, ReaDI-Watch has grown into a disruptive force in the industry, empower 100s of SMEs to grow their RD&I.

Dave holds an **MSc in Finance** from **UCD Michael Smurfit Graduate Business School**, one of Europe's top business schools. His academic journey provided him with the strategic and financial acumen that continues to drive ReaDI-Watch's success today. The Smurfit School's emphasis on **global business perspectives, financial innovation, and leadership development** played a pivotal role in shaping Dave's career trajectory.

Each year, UCD Smurfit nominates some of its former alumni for various award categories, including "Postgraduate Leadership" award and "Entrepreneur of the Year".

*UCD's entry is **ReaDI-Watch**, which was co-founded in 2021 by UCD College of Business double graduate Dave Byrne. The unique ReaDI-watch business aims to change the way companies around the world invest in R&D and Innovation through its digital platform. ReaDI-watch helps companies to maximise their ROI from R&D and Innovation, navigating the complex R&D tax and grant funding landscapes more easily. CEO Dave Byrne has displayed tenacity, diligence, ambition and expertise in all that he had done thus far at ReaDI-Watch.*

<https://www.smurfitschool.ie/news/ucdsmurfitschoolshortlistedfor3ambabgaexcellenceawards.html>



Dave Byrne pictured with fellow UCD alumni:
Dave O'Reilly, Founder at Wimbledon Capital
Partners London, and Pamela Uddin, Founder at
React Marketing

A Bright Future for ReaDI-Watch

Dave's recognition at the **AMBA BGA Awards** reinforces ReaDI-Watch's commitment to excellence, innovation, and leadership in the B2B technology space. As we celebrate this achievement, we look forward to pushing boundaries, driving transformation, and continuing our journey toward industry leadership.

Congratulations, Dave!

<https://www.amba-bga.com/excellence-awards>
