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From left: SHOFU Europe managing director Wolfgang van Hall, Latin American Dental Federation president Dr. Adolfo Rodríguez, Dental Tribune International publisher Torsten Oemus and AMD LASERS president Alan Miller at the Dental Tribune Awards ceremony Monday afternoon at the DTI Media Lounge. (DTI/Photo: Dental Tribune)

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Dental Tribune International awards outstanding individuals in dentistry

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NEW YORK, USA: On Monday afternoon, Dental Tribune International (DTI) hosted the first Dental Tribune Global Awards in its Media Lounge at the Greater New York Dental Meeting. DTI President Torsten Oemus introduced the first winners of the 2011 awards. All were recognised from a refined pool of outstanding individuals in dentistry.

Oemus highlighted the careers of Dr. Adolfo Rodríguez, president of the Latin American Dental Federation, who received the *Outstanding Individual of the Year Award*; Samuel Prophete, president of the Haitian Dental Association, who received the *Dentistry in a Crisis Zone Award*; Alan Miller, founder of [AMD LASERS](#), who received the *Innovation in Dentistry Award* and

Wolfgang van Hall, managing director of [SHOFU Europe](#), who received a *Lifetime Achievement Award*.

Rodríguez thanked DTI for its support in Latin America, where he initiated dental health campaigns and was instrumental in developing professional associations. Prophete, who could not be present in New York, sent a letter to acknowledge his gratitude for the many organisations that helped Haiti after the devastating 2011 earthquake.

Perhaps the most moving words of appreciation belonged to Alan Miller, who said that Dental Tribune helped a small Midwestern dental laser manufacturing company become a recognised world player in dentistry, not only through advertising but also via the Dental Tribune Study Club courses, which allowed AMD LASERS to present their products worldwide.

More information about the [Greater New York Dental Meeting](#).
