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Soledad Tanner MIB '02 delivered words to lift up her fellow entrepreneurs as she accepted her latest award: the Trailblazer Award from Women to Watch International at the organization's 4th annual gala, Nov. 29, 2020.



The award is presented to successful businesswomen and leaders who work fearlessly and demonstrate dedication and commitment to the communities they serve.

At the black-tie event, Tanner shared that she had grown up in Ecuador and was the first female in her family to get a college education. She recalled her dream of coming to the United States to get her master's in international business and how incredibly proud she was to attend University of St. Thomas-Houston.

“Tears of happiness were rolling down my face,” Tanner said. “I had arrived, and there I was walking in my dreams.”

Tanner is an Outstanding International Consultant award-winner and global financial business consultant and speaker with 30+ years of international experience in finance & controlling; strategy and consulting; and performance and metrics in the global logistics and banking industry. She rose to a worldwide position and worked in many countries, including Germany, India, Uruguay, Ecuador, the United Kingdom and Switzerland.

In 2016, she embarked on her entrepreneurship journey, another dream. Her global business and finance firm is aptly named STC Consulting.

“Financial knowledge gives you freedom, and STC Consulting has a special focus on supporting women and minority businesses.”

Among the other highlights of Tanner’s advice and insights were, “Visualize your dream, and with persistence, knowledge and expertise, anything is achievable.

“Life is a gift and a journey. It’s not about where you’re starting, but where you’re heading ... We need to have an expanded vision and an increased ability to adapt and adjust.”

Tanner counseled the room full of dynamic businesspeople to “keep paying it forward” to “lift up others.”

And her final encouragement? “Never give up. Dreams do come true!”

To watch Tanner’s speech in its entirety, [click here < https://youtu.be/YsnnwTjico8>](https://youtu.be/YsnnwTjico8).