

# International Council for Excellence (ICE)

## Awards and Recognition

### 1. Nomination Process

#### Select Category:

**Education:** This category honours individuals, organizations, or institutions that have made significant contributions to advancing education. This can include innovative teaching methods, curriculum development, educational technology, or initiatives that increase access to quality education for underserved communities.

**Health and Wellness:** This category recognizes efforts in promoting physical, mental, and emotional well-being. Awardees might be healthcare professionals, wellness advocates, researchers, or organizations that have developed impactful health programs, public health initiatives, or wellness campaigns.

**Community Services:** This award is given to those who have shown outstanding dedication to serving their communities. This includes volunteer work, non-profit initiatives, social services, and programs aimed at improving the quality of life for community members.

**Science and Technology:** This category celebrates achievements in scientific research, technological innovations, and advancements that contribute to knowledge, industry, and society. Awardees can be researchers, scientists, engineers, or technologists who have made groundbreaking discoveries or developed cutting-edge technologies.

**Innovation and Social Impact:** This award recognizes innovative solutions that address social challenges and create positive societal change. It is often given to entrepreneurs, non-profits, or social enterprises that have developed products, services, or initiatives with a significant social impact.

**Entrepreneurship:** This category honours individuals or teams who have demonstrated exceptional entrepreneurial spirit and success in launching or growing a business. It recognizes creativity, risk-taking, and the ability to overcome challenges to bring new products or services to market.

**Environment and Climate Readiness:** This award is dedicated to those making significant contributions to environmental conservation, sustainability, and climate change mitigation. It can include activists, researchers, organizations, and businesses working on projects that protect natural resources, reduce carbon footprints, and promote ecological balance.

**Art and Literature:** This category celebrates excellence in the creative fields of art and literature. It includes visual artists, writers, poets, musicians, and performers who have made a notable impact through their artistic work, cultural contributions, or literary achievements.

**Leadership:** This award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities. It can be in various fields such as business, politics, community organizations, or social movements. Awardees are often those who inspire, guide, and make significant positive changes through their leadership.

**Criteria:** The following criteria would ensure that the awards recognize individuals and organizations that not only excel in their respective fields but also uphold the highest standards of ethical behavior and have a positive impact on society.

1. **Ethical Standards and Integrity:** This criterion would assess the nominee's adherence to ethical practices and their demonstration of integrity in their work. It would consider their commitment to honesty, transparency, and ethical principles in their professional conduct and contributions.
2. **Innovation and Creativity:** This criterion would evaluate the nominee's ability to introduce new ideas, approaches, or products that push the boundaries of their field. It would look at their originality, creativity, and the innovative nature of their work.
3. **Impact and Contribution to the Field:** This criterion would measure the significance of the nominee's contributions to their field and society. It would consider the tangible and intangible impacts of their work, including advancements in knowledge, societal benefits, and improvements in quality of life.
4. **Professional Achievements:** This criterion would recognize the nominee's professional accomplishments and milestones in their career. It would take into account awards, recognitions, leadership roles, publications, and other notable achievements that demonstrate their expertise and excellence.

**Special Award:** The International Council for Excellence (ICE) also recognizes individuals for the **Global Excellence Lifetime Achievement**. This Award recognizes the following aspects:

1. **Sustained Impact:** Honoring individuals who have made significant and lasting contributions to their field or society over an extended period. This includes achievements that have had a profound and enduring impact on their industry, community, or the world at large.
2. **Leadership and Vision:** Acknowledging individuals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership, vision, and foresight throughout their careers. This includes guiding organizations, influencing policy, and inspiring others through their innovative thinking and strategic direction.
3. **Pioneering Contributions:** Recognizing trailblazers who have introduced groundbreaking ideas, technologies, or practices that have transformed their field. This includes individuals who have consistently pushed the boundaries of what is possible and set new standards of excellence.

4. **Ethical and Moral Integrity:** Celebrating those who have maintained high ethical standards and integrity throughout their careers. This includes a commitment to ethical practices, social responsibility, and contributing positively to their community and the world.
5. **Mentorship and Legacy:** Highlighting individuals who have not only achieved personal success but have also mentored and supported the next generation of leaders and innovators. This includes a legacy of nurturing talent, fostering growth, and ensuring the continuity of excellence in their field.
6. **Broad Influence and Recognition:** Honoring those whose work has been widely recognized and respected by peers, institutions, and the public. This includes recipients of multiple awards, honors, and acknowledgments from respected organizations and bodies.

This **Global Excellence Lifetime Achievement** award would celebrate a lifetime of dedication, excellence, and positive influence, recognizing those who have made remarkable contributions that resonate well beyond their immediate professional circles. (*Self-nominations not accepted*)

**Note:** The Global Excellence Lifetime Achievement Award may or may not be presented annually, ensuring it is reserved for truly exceptional individuals who meet the highest standards of excellence. The award will be open to nominations from the public, allowing peers and colleagues to put forward deserving candidates. Further, the Council retains the right to nominate individuals, ensuring a comprehensive and thorough consideration process of potential recipients.

## **2. Nomination Submission**

**Eligibility:** Nominations may be submitted by peers, organizations, and self-nominations.

**Nomination Form:** A detailed nomination form will be provided to include:

- Nominee's name and contact information.
- Nominator's name and contact information.
- Category of nomination.
- Detailed description of the nominee's achievements and impact relating to the criteria.
- Supporting documents (e.g., CV, publications, project descriptions, testimonials, etc.).
- Consent from the nominee.

**Submission Method:** Provide multiple ways to submit nominations:

- Online submission through the ICE website (i.e., Awards)

- A field will be provided for those nominating to include an MS Word or pdf file of additional information worthy of consideration regarding their nominee.
- A nominal application fee is applicable per nomination, for processing and handling.
- Payment: Handling of payments and electronic transfer is provided on the website.

### 3. Nomination Promotion

**Outreach:** Promotion of the nomination process will be pushed out through various channels:

- Official website and social media platforms.
- Email newsletter.
- Partner organizations and professional networks.
- Press releases and media outlets.

**Timeline:** ICE will clearly communicate the timeline for the nomination process, including:

- The opening date for nominations is: [1 August,2024](#)
- The closing date for nominations is: [5<sup>th</sup> October,2024](#)
- Announcement date of finalists with details regarding the awarding ceremony will be: [10<sup>th</sup> December, 2024](#)

### 4. Review and Selection

**Review Committee:** ICE will form a diverse and reputable review committee with experts in each field. In doing so, ICE hopes to ensure a balance of perspectives by including international members.

#### Evaluation Process:

- **Initial Screening:** ICE will ensure all nominations meet the basic eligibility criteria.
- **Detailed Review:** Each committee member independently reviews and scores the nominations based on the defined criteria.
- **Sponsorships/Fees:** ICE Sponsorships and award application fees do not influence and have no bearing on the awarding of ICE Awards.
- **Review Rubric:** ICE is committed to maintaining a transparent and fair judging process, where each entry is evaluated on its own merits and juried anonymously by a panel of ICE judges. As such, each submission will be evaluated utilizing the following rubric as a clear scoring system to qualify the impact and quality of each nominee.

#### International Council for Excellent Awarding Rubric

Criteria	Description	Points
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Ethical Standards and Integrity	Assess the nominee's adherence to ethical practices and demonstration of integrity in their work. Consider their commitment to honesty, transparency, and ethical principles in their professional conduct and contributions.	
Innovation and Creativity	Evaluate the nominee's ability to introduce new ideas, approaches, or products that push the boundaries of their field. Consider their originality, creativity, and the innovative nature of their work.	
Impact and Contribution to the Field	Measure the significance of the nominee's contributions to their field and society. Consider tangible and intangible impacts, advancements in knowledge, societal benefits, and improvements in quality of life resulting from their work.	
Professional Achievements	Recognize the nominee's professional accomplishments and milestones in their career. Consider awards, recognitions, leadership roles, publications, and other notable achievements demonstrating their expertise and excellence.	

### Scoring Guide:

- **Exceptional** (10 points): Demonstrates exceptional performance and significantly exceeds expectations in the criterion.
- **Exemplary** (8 points): Shows exemplary performance and exceeds expectations in the criterion.
- **Proficient** (6 points): Meets expectations and demonstrates a solid level of performance in the criterion.
- **Developing** (4 points): Shows potential and progress in the criterion but requires further development.
- **Inceptive** (2 points): Falls below expectations and needs substantial improvement in the criterion.

**Overall Score Calculation:** Calculate the overall score by summing up the points from each criterion (maximum score: 30 points).

- **Deliberation:** The committee will meet within one month of the submission close date to discuss the top nominees and reach a consensus of the finalist(s) and winner for each category.

## **5. Announcement and Recognition**

### **Finalists and Winners:**

- All nominees will be notified of their status (finalist) within three months of the annual closing deadline.
- All ICE Award finalists will be publicly announced the finalists and winners through a press release, website updates, and social media.
- Award Ceremony: ICE will organize an award ceremony to honor the finalist(s) and announce the winners with a date and time to be determined each year. This is an in-person event, with the location to be determined.
- Trophies, Certificates and Prizes: All ICE Award winners will receive a trophy and signed certificate of recognition. As ICE grows, we will consider adding additional prizes, such as monetary awards, grants, or professional development opportunities, etc.

## **6. Feedback and Improvement**

**Feedback Collection:** After the nomination process and award ceremony, ICE will collect feedback from nominees, nominators, and committee members to identify areas for improvement.

**Continuous Improvement:** ICE will strive to utilize this feedback to refine and enhance the nomination and awarding processes for future cycles.

By following these steps, ICE strives to ensure a fair, transparent, and prestigious nomination and awarding process that effectively honors outstanding professionals in their respected fields from around the globe.