Driving change in the finance community



We are looking for entrants that are contributing research, thought leadership or training that inspires accounting and financial professionals to embed sustainability into mainstream decision making.

Successful entrants need to demonstrate that:

- Their accounting/financial research, thought leadership or training contributes to the development of sustainable business models
- Their activities can generate, or are expected to generate, tangible environmental and/or social benefits
- They have proactively engaged students, peers or finance professionals to drive change

If your organisation provides training or performs research or thought leadership more specifically linked to investment activity, financial product or service, you may consider entering the Moving Financial Markets category.

We welcome entries in either written or video form.

Please read the guidance for this category before submitting your entry.

ENTRY DETAILS

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Organisation name(s) ¹	
Description of your organisation(s) (up to 600 characters)	
Description of your entry ² (up to 600 characters)	
Organisation type: (eg, listed company, private business, public sector organisation, social enterprise, not-for-profit organisation, joint entry)	

Companies House number (or international equivalent)	
Base country for the initiative	
Countries of impact ³	
Contact name and position ⁴	
Email	
Direct tel. including country code	
Operational time zone of organisation (this will aid scheduling of assessment and judging appointments)	
How did you find out about the awards?	
Organisation twitter/LinkedIn handle(s) ⁵	

¹ For joint entries please list the names of all organisations involved. Please note this will be used as the organisation name(s) for the entry throughout the awards process.

² Provide a description of your entry – please note should you become a finalist this text will be used to describe the nature of your entry for all communications purposes.

³ Where applicable, please list other key countries where the impact of this initiative will be felt.

⁴ Please note, the contact name should be the primary person we should contact throughout the awards process.

⁵ Please provide the most relevant corporate social media handle(s) to be used for all communication purposes.

ENTRY QUESTIONS

Please respond to the questions below in writing or via video.

- 1. How does your accounting/financial research, thought leadership or training contribute to the development of sustainable business models? Please explain:
 - What your research, thought leadership or training covers;
 - How it relates to accounting/financial practices and decision making; and
 - How it has changed or could change current standard practices.

- 2. Explain how your activities generate, or are expected to generate, tangible environmental and/or social benefits. Please indicate:
 - What key environmental and/or social benefits you expect your activities to deliver in the short, medium and long term; and
 - What gives you confidence these benefits will be realised and (at least in part) attributable to your activities;
 - How achievement of these benefits is compatible with positive finance outcomes.

3. How are you proactively engaging students, peers or finance professionals to drive change? Please describe:

- Who you are primarily seeking to influence;
- How you are engaging with these stakeholders; and
- What engagement success you have had so far and how you will know if you are ultimately successful.

LEADERSHIP AWARDS (optional)

In 2023, there will be three leadership awards; Climate, Nature and biodiversity, and Social impact. Entry to these awards is optional, and will not impact upon your overall entry form, so you may wish to enter one, two, all three, or none at all.

Climate leadership

If you believe your entry to the Driving change category has a compelling climate element, please complete the section below or include your responses in your video.

4. We are looking for examples of climate leadership. In the context of your entry to this category, we would like to understand:

- What climate change means for your organisation;
- What outcomes related to climate you expect to achieve and thereby drive change; and
- What you feel distinguishes you as a climate leader.

Nature and biodiversity leadership

If you believe your entry to the Driving change category has a compelling nature and biodiversity element, please complete the section below or include your responses in your video.

- 5. We are looking for examples of Nature and Biodiversity leadership. In the context of your entry to this category, we would like to understand:
 - What nature and biodiversity means for your organisation;
 - What outcomes relating to nature and biodiversity loss you expect to achieve and thereby drive change; and
 - What you feel distinguishes you as a leader in nature and biodiversity.

Social impact leadership

If you believe your entry to the Driving change category has a compelling nature and biodiversity element, please complete the section below or include your responses in your video.

- 6. We are looking for examples of leadership in social impact In the context of your entry to this category, we would like to understand:
 - What does social impact mean to your organization?
 - What outcomes relating to social impact considerations you expect to achieve and thereby drive change; and
 - What you feel distinguishes you as a leader in social impact?

(up to 1,700 characters, including spaces)

Please note: we kindly request all applicants provide three years of financial information for the purpose of our pre-assessment due diligence only. This can be uploaded when you submit your entry online. Please submit written and video entries, including financial statements and organisation logos, via the online form.

Entry for the awards closes on Friday 26 May 2023.