Embedding an integrated approach



We are looking for organisations where sustainability is embedded in the overall strategy and decision-making processes. The award recognises finance teams that play a critical role in achieving this.

Successful entrants need to demonstrate that:

- Sustainability is embedded into their organisation's overall strategy and decision-making processes and is widely considered to be core to activities;
- They generate tangible environmental and/or social benefits IN ADDITION TO delivering positive financial outcomes; and
- In relation to Public Sector and not for profit deliver value for money within prudently managed budgets, through spending less, spending well and spending wisely; and
- ✓ The involvement of the finance team is critical in achieving all of the above.

We welcome entries in either written or video form.

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

ENTRY DETAILS

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 is sustainability embedded into your organisation's overall strategy and decision-making processes? Please describe how you:
 - Assess and preserve or enhance the resources, relationships and/or capitals that the organisation depends on to create sustainable, long-term value;
 - Incorporate environmental and social outcomes into your strategic objectives and decision-making processes across the organisation; and
 - Measure the impact your organisation's operations have on the environment and society.

- We would like you to demonstrate how your organisation generates tangible environmental and/or social benefits IN ADDITION TO delivering positive financial outcomes. For public sector and Not for profit entries demonstrate how you are delivering value for money within prudently managed budgets Please indicate:
 - Key environmental and/or social benefits you have generated, quantified where possible;
 - How these benefits (and any potential negative impacts) are measured; and
 - How achievement of these benefits is balanced with short-term financial performance or other performance objectives.

- 3. Please explain the involvement of the finance team in delivering both the above including:
 - Which members of the finance team are involved;
 - What financial expertise, techniques or other skills they have contributed to embedding an integrated approach; and
 - Why you believe this contribution demonstrates financial leadership.
- (up to 1,200 characters, including spaces)

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 Embedding an integrated approach 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 your finance team's role is in responding to climate change; and
- What you feel distinguishes you as a climate leader.

Nature and biodiversity leadership

If you believe your entry to the Embedding an integrated approach 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 your finance team's role is in responding to loss of nature and biodiversity; and
 - What you feel distinguishes you as a leader in nature and biodiversity.

Social impact leadership

If you believe your entry to the Embedding an integrated approach category has a compelling social impact 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 your finance team's role is in responding to social impact considerations to your providers of financial capital; 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.