

FIP Rules of Procedure BU-C21: PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCE ORGANISATIONAL AWARD

Purpose of the award

The purpose of the award is to recognise a campaign, project or program that promotes and/or supports the role of pharmaceutical scientists and science in healthcare.

The award will be presented biennially at the annual FIP congress.

Focus

In the context of this award, a campaign, project or program includes a structured approach aimed at raising public awareness of the role of pharmaceutical scientists in healthcare; or encouraging investment in pharmaceutical sciences; or educating students, early career scientists and/or health professionals about the pharmaceutical sciences; or fostering research collaborations; or impacting medicines policy and pharmacy practice.

Specific Eligibility Criteria

- At least one of the co-organisers (or one of its chapters) of the campaign, project or program must be a predominantly scientific member organisation of FIP.
- At least one predominantly scientific member organisation must have been a continuing member for a minimum period of 12 months prior to nomination.
- A regional pharmaceutical Forum can also submit for this award so long as they include a minimum of one FIP member organisation.
- FIP cannot be one of the co-organisers.
- The campaign, project or program should have been concluded or assessed less than two years before the time of the nomination.

Nomination Process

A call for nominations, accompanied by a list of former campaigns, projects and/or programs having received the award, will be sent to all FIP predominantly scientific member organisations (PSMOs) and regional pharmaceutical Forum ExCos.

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Nominations should be received by **1 March** of the year in which the award will be presented, and emailed to the FIP CEO: rachel@fip.org.

Each nomination should contain the following:

- a) A description of the campaign, project or program in English, not exceeding two A4/letter pages;
- A statement of the reasons how this campaign, project or program meets the selection criteria of the award, description under "Selection of awardees" (in English, not exceeding two A4/letter pages);
- c) Name, postal address, email address and telephone number of the contact person at the member organisation;
- d) A copy (if possible electronic) of the main materials of the health promotion campaign;
- e) A copy (if possible electronic) of report / evidence of the assessed impact.

A PSMO may nominate more than one campaign, project or program.

All nominations will be acknowledged by the FIP Secretariat and will be kept confidential.

Selection Committee

Selection of the eligible campaigns, projects or programs and the award of the Pharmaceutical Science Organisational award shall be conducted by a dedicated FIP Award Selection Committee composed of 1 FIP Bureau member or nominee; 2 BPS members (or nominees), and 2 external expert members.

Selection of awardees

The Selection Committee will review nominations received based on the following criteria:

- The educational, policy, clinical, economic and/or humanistic impact of the campaign (supported by evidence, such as [but not limited to] published in the media, a professional journal or preferably, in a peer-reviewed journal; evidence collated from the end-users).
- The level of innovation for this campaign, project or program through its
 - o format
 - o comprehensiveness and articulation
- Where relevant, the current and future applications of the campaign, project or program.
- The wide participation of individual pharmaceutical scientists.
- The interest perceived in the public and policy makers through position letters or articles in the public press.

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• The support and engagement of stakeholders in the campaign, project or program.

The assessment will be exclusively based on the documentation provided through the nomination.

The Selection Committee will submit a recommendation to the Bureau who shall make the final decision.

Thereafter, the awardee will be notified by the FIP CEO of their successful nomination. All deliberations will be held in private and the reasons for an award being declined will not be disclosed. Any attempt to canvas members of the Selection Committee, Bureau, or BPS ExCo will disqualify the nomination. The Bureau's decision on all matters is final.

Irrespective of the final outcome, the names of all nominated campaigns, projects or programs will be kept strictly confidential within the members of the Selection Committee and the Bureau. The name of the selected campaign, project or program will not be divulged prior to the announcement by the FIP Head Office on behalf of the Bureau.

Provision of award / Recognition Event

The winning campaign, project or program will be recognised during the Opening Ceremony of the annual FIP congress and the FIP CEO will present the award.

The award consists of a Certificate and a free registration to the FIP congress for a representative of the member organisation(s) that developed and ran the campaign, project or program.

The awardee will also be offered the opportunity to present this awarded campaign, project or program at a session during the FIP annual congress.

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