

QS Awards 2024 Nomination Kit For Individual Applications

ABOUT QS AWARDS 2024

- 1. The quantity surveying profession evolved in the Hong Kong construction industry some eighty years ago. Over the decades, many quantity surveyors have dedicated their time and effort to escalating the professionalism of quantity surveyors, developing and strengthening the regime of quantity surveying, and collaborating with the government and other professional disciplines. The professional quantity surveyor is one of the important pillars of the local construction industry.
- 2. The first QS Awards presentation ceremony was held in 2022 by the Quantity Surveying Division of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors. The successful arrangement and the positive feedback encourage the Quantity Surveying Division to hold the QS Awards again in 2024.

AWARD CATEGORIES

- 3. HKIS QS Awards 2024 is open to all types of development projects, including private real estate development and government works, building and civil engineering works, additions and alterations, retrofit and renovation works, MEP engineering works, and the like.
- 4. The success of a construction project is a collection of multi-parties' efforts, including the developers, architects, designers, engineers, quantity surveyors, construction managers, contractors, and sub-contractors. The quantity surveyors contribute their professional expertise, intertwine and react with the inputs and outputs of multi-parties to arrive at successful project deliveries.
- 5. In the QS Awards 2024, the award categories are in two classifications, namely (a) awards to projects and (b) awards to individuals.
- 6. The objective of the awards to individuals is to recognise and honour the awardees for their development and advocating a high level of professionalism, their life-long achievements in the professional capacity as a quantity surveyor, their support in nurturing the uprising young quantity surveyors, and their contributions to the development and promotion of quantity surveying profession in and extending beyond Hong Kong.

7. The Awards to Individuals include:

(a) QS Grand Achievements Award This award represents the highest honour to an individual for the remarkable life achievements in the profession as a quantity surveyor, and the contribution to developing and advocating a high level of professionalism and nurturing the young talents in the profession.

(b) QS Awards of Excellence

The QS Awards of Excellence is the award for the significant individual contribution to the development and promotion of the quantity surveying profession.

(c) Young QS Awards

The Young QS Awards is to recognise the uprising young quantity surveyors who exhibit vision, drive, talent and contribution to the quantity surveying profession.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA FOR INDIVIDUALS

8. For QS Awards of Excellence

In honouring the award to the candidate, consideration will be given to the significant and valuable contribution of the candidate to the development and promotion of the quantity surveying profession in Hong Kong and extending beyond, and the support to the sustainability of the HKIS:

9. For Young QS Awards

(a) Vision and Innovation

The candidate shall demonstrate that he/she has a vision for the quantity surveying profession. He/She shall also show the aspiration for his/her career. Moreover, the candidate shall demonstrate creativity in deploying appropriate technologies or new concepts in an innovative manner that provides satisfactory results for the intended purposes.

(b) Leadership

The candidate shall demonstrate his/her leadership skill, and the potential to become a leader in the future. He/she shall also demonstrate his/her capability to provide coaching to colleagues and subordinates, the ability to set priority and job delegation to complete tasks within a committed schedule (e.g. tender programme), and the ability and technique to convey and exchange information effectively and efficiently.

(c) Motivation

The candidate shall demonstrate self-motivation and enthusiasm in his/her capacity as a qualified quantity surveyor, and the upholding of high level of professionalism and ethical behaviour in the discharge of his/her duties and responsibilities.

(d) Value Created for Clients

The candidate shall have a good demonstration of the value created for developers of the projects or the projects and the advocacy of a high level of professionalism. He/She shall also be able to consider and evaluate issues of a project from different perspectives.

(e) Proactive Professional Learning

The candidate shall have taken further studies in relation to the quantity surveying profession. He/She shall also attend continuous professional development events including but not limited to seminars or workshops or private studies regularly to refresh his/her professional knowledge and as required by the HKIS. He/She shall demonstrate his/her eagerness to learn continuously.

(f) Contribution to the HKIS, the Quantity Surveying Professional and the Community

The candidate shall demonstrate his/her contribution to the HKIS (e.g. involvement in HKIS activities) and/or his/her contribution to the profession and the community.

ELIGIBILITY

10. For QS Grand Achievements Award

(a) The candidate should be a Corporate Member of the HKIS in Quantity Surveying Division at the time of the nomination and award.

(b) The candidate will be nominated by the Organising Committee and confirmed by the jury panel composed of the chairmen of the immediate past 10 years of the Quantity Surveying Division of the HKIS. The decision of the jury panel shall be final for the awards.

11. For QS Awards of Excellence

- (a) The candidate should be a Corporate Member of the HKIS in Quantity Surveying Division at the time of the nomination and award.
- (b) Open nomination of the candidate is welcome and the nomination will be reviewed and confirmed by the jury panel composed of the chairmen of the immediate past 10 years of the Quantity Surveying Division of the HKIS. The decision of the jury panel shall be final for the awards.

12. For Young QS Awards

- (a) The candidate should be a Corporate Member of the HKIS in Quantity Surveying Division at the time of the nomination and award.
- (b) The candidate should be aged 40 or below, i.e. with the date of birth on or after 1 January 1984.
- (c) The candidate should be proposed by a nominator who should be a Corporate Member of the HKIS or the head of department of a public or private organisation to which the candidate is reporting. Each candidate can submit one application only. Self-nomination will not be accepted. If necessary, the jury panel of the Young QS Awards may contact the nominator for further information or clarification.
- (d) Members of the QS Awards 2024 Organising Committee, and jury panel of the Young QS Awards are not eligible to apply for the Young QS Awards.
- (e) The candidate is required to attend an interview with the jury panel when he/she is shortlisted by the QS Awards 2024 Organising Committee. Finalist qualification will be usurped if the candidate fails to attend the interview with the jury panel.
- (f) The decision of the jury panel shall be final for the awards.

APPLICATION DEADLINES & SUBMISSION DETAILS

- 13. Submission Deadline: 12:00 noon (Hong Kong Time/GMT +8), Thursday, 15 August 2024 (Late submissions will not be considered.)
- 14. Each application should provide a brief description of the candidate in not more than 100 words summary for the use for marketing and promotion purposes of the QS Awards 2024.
- 15. Each application for Awards to Individuals shall be accompanied with a portrait photo of the candidate in digital images (in jpg or png format, image resolution no less than 350 dpi). This will be used by the HKIS in presenting the candidate in the awards presentation ceremony to be held on 1 November 2024.
- 16. Nomination written statement by the nominator in support of the nomination illustrating the relevance and merits of the candidate in meeting the requirements of awards.
- 17. For Young QS Awards, a written statement shall be submitted by the candidate describing his/her working experience, and showing his/her vision and innovation, leadership, motivation, value created for clients, proactive professional learning and contribution to the HKIS, QS profession and the community.
- 18. Written consent from the candidate to disclose the personal particulars to the QS Awards 2024 Organising Committee and the jury panel for the assessment of the eligibility of admission and award.
- 19. All information supplied in the application submission will be used for the purposes of assessment of the eligibility and the awards, and for marketing and promotion of the QS Awards 2024.

APPLICATION FEE

20. No application fee is required for applications for awards to individuals.

REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS / MATERIALS

For all QS Awards of Excellence

- 36. All submissions must be uploaded to the candidate's personal drive and email the download link to the designated email: qsawards2024@blink.com.hk with the subject name marked as "QS Awards 2024 QS Awards of Excellence" containing the digital copies in pdf format, and all the documents required in the Nomination Form.
- 37. The application documents and materials are to include:
- (a) Completed the Nomination Form in PDF format and duly signed by the nominator and the candidate.
- (b) A brief description of the candidate (i.e. the nominee) in not more than 100 words summary for the use of the HKIS for marketing and promotion purposes of the QS Awards 2024
- (c) A written statement by the nominator in support of the nomination describing the candidate's professional achievements and working experience, the contribution to the development and promotion of the quantity surveying profession in Hong Kong and extending beyond, and the support to the sustainability of the HKIS.
- (d) Written consent from the candidate to disclose the personal particulars to the QS Awards 2024 Organising Committee and the jury panel for the assessment of the eligibility of admission and award.
- (e) The portrait photo of the candidate in digital images (in jpg or png format, image resolution no less than 350 dpi). This will be used by the HKIS in presenting the candidate in the awards presentation ceremony to be held on 1 November 2024.

For Young QS Awards

- 38. All submissions must be uploaded to the candidate's personal drive and email the download link to the designated email: qsawards2024@blink.com.hk with the subject name marked as "QS Awards 2024 Young QS Awards" containing the digital copies in pdf format, and all the documents required in the Nomination Form.
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- (b) A brief description of the candidate (i.e. the nominee) in not more than 100 words summary for the use of the HKIS for marketing and promotion purposes of the QS Awards 2024.
- (c) A written statement by the candidate describing his/her working experience, and showing his/her vision and innovation, leadership, motivation, value created for Clients,

- proactive professional learning and contribution to the HKIS, QS profession and the community.
- (d) Nomination written statement by the nominator in support of the nomination and with not more than 1,000 words to illustrate the relevance and merits of the candidate in meeting the assessment criteria of the Young QS Awards 2024.
- (e) Written consent from the candidate to disclose the personal particulars to the QS Awards 2024 Organising Committee and the jury panel for the assessment of the eligibility of admission and award.
- (f) The portrait photo of the candidate in digital images (in jpg or png format, image resolution no less than 350 dpi). This will be used by the HKIS in presenting the candidate in the awards presentation ceremony to be held on 1 November 2024.

Notes:

- a) All submissions should be written in English, supplemented with Chinese content if required.
- b) All the materials will not be returned to the candidate after submission.
- c) The QS Awards 2024 Organising Committee reserves the right to reproduce, print, and/or publish the materials submitted in either paper, electronics or other formats, or for any use in association with the QS Awards 2024.
- d) The information obtained will be used for the QS Awards 2024 and may be used for marketing or promotion.
- e) Candidate who wishes to withdraw the application after submission must submit an official letter of withdrawal to the QS Awards 2024 Organising Committee.

SCHEDULE

Application opens on 2 July 2024.

Application Deadline closes at noon on 15 August 2024.

The following is a list of the important dates of the awards:

- (1) First Screening will be conducted in August 2024*.
- (2) Finalists announcement will be in late August 2024*.
- (3) Finalists presentation to and interview with the jury panel of Young QS Awards will be conducted on 21 September 2024*.
- (4) Winners will be announced at the awards presentation ceremony to be held on 1 November 2024.

^{*}Dates are subject to adjustment.

AWARD TYPE

There will only be one (1) QS Grand Achievements Award.

There will be five (5) QS Awards of Excellence of equivalent standing.

There will be five (5) Young QS Awards of equivalent standing.

The QS Awards 2024 Organising Committee reserves the right not to bestow an award if the jury panel deems that no application is worth receiving that particular award.

The decision of the jury panel shall be final.

ENQUIRIES

For enquiries, please contact:

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