

## ANTI-CORRUPTION AWARD: GUIDELINES

Transparency International's Anti-Corruption Award aims to recognise a particular action or initiative undertaken by one or several individuals or organisations and constituting a tangible contribution to the fight against corruption and the mission of the TI movement. While recipients of the Award would be expected to be of exemplary character, the Anti-Corruption Award will recognise a particular action or initiative demonstrating the manifold impacts in the fight against corruption worldwide.

The Anti-Corruption Award may be conferred to a person (or an organisation) discharging official or professional duties as well as to an activist(s) from all walks of life. The Anti-Corruption Award Committee, the body responsible for evaluating nominations and choosing winners, may choose up to two award recipients. In making these awards, the Committee will take into consideration the need to recognise efforts in diverse fields of civil society, the private sector and government and to acknowledge anti-corruption initiatives throughout the world. The Award consists of a trophy and participation in a public award ceremony during the 19<sup>th</sup> edition of the International Anti-Corruption Conference to take place from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> June 2020 in Seoul, Korea.

The Anti-Corruption Award may, in some cases, have a profound impact, as the recognition may contribute to social, political and economic developments in the countries to which they relate. Therefore, in selecting Anti-Corruption Award recipients, the Anti-Corruption Award Committee follows a clear evaluation process honouring the right of participation and equal opportunity while ensuring diversity. In considering nominations, the Anti-Corruption Award Committee also looks for geographical and occupational balance.

### ELIGIBILITY

Nominees must meet the following requirements:

- Nominees must have undertaken an action that is likely to significantly influence, or to have had a significant impact on, existing levels of corruption in his/her respective country or region.
- The action should be one likely to attract interest and emulation in other parts of the world.
- The action must be particularly courageous and exemplary, inspirational and deserving of wide international recognition.
- The action should recognise the longevity of commitment to fighting corruption.

The Committee can only accept nominations for posthumous awards only in truly exceptional cases.

## INELIGIBLE NOMINEES

The following categories of nominees will not be considered for the Anti-Corruption Award:

- Individuals or organisations of questionable integrity or goals.
- Members of the TI Board of Directors, the Boards of TI chapters, the Award Committee and salaried staff of the TI Secretariat and of chapters while serving in those capacities.
- Individuals or organisations that submit self-nominations.

## NOMINATION PROCEDURE

- Nominations may be submitted by any person(s) or organisation(s) at any time in accordance with the provision of these rules. Self-nominations will not be accepted.
- Previous candidates can be re-nominated provided their information is updated.
- Individuals and organisations submitting nominations, are encouraged, where possible, to submit their nomination, together with or including the support of an appropriate TI chapter.
- Where a nomination is received other than from a TI chapter, the appropriate chapter will be invited to assist the Award Committee by providing its own assessment of the strength of a nomination.
- The Anti-Corruption Award Committee may take it upon itself to make a nomination.
- Nominations submitted by salaried staff of the TI Secretariat will not be permitted.
- The nomination process will be publicised through TI's website and social media channels as well as via outreach to external organisations.

## NOMINATION FILE

To be eligible for consideration, a nomination must include the following:

- Nomination form with details of the nominee and the nominator
- A statement making the case for the nomination (maximum of 300 words), explaining why the nominee(s) is deserving of an Anti-Corruption Award

Optional:

- Supporting documentation in the form of press clippings, audio or video files, if available and pertinent

Incomplete nomination files cannot be considered by the Anti-Corruption Awards Committee.

False or deceptive nominations or acts may render a nominee ineligible.

Nominations should be submitted by filling in the form available at <https://www.transparency.org/anti-corruption-award-2018> (preferred). Alternatively, you may email your nomination to [anticorruptionawards@transparency.org](mailto:anticorruptionawards@transparency.org).

The Secretariat will acknowledge receipt, review the nomination files and compile these for consideration by the Anti-Corruption Award Committee. Additional information will be requested when necessary.

The Anti-Corruption Award Committee will then duly evaluate the nomination files and discuss their merits. The Anti-Corruption Award Committee will seek the advice of the corresponding TI chapter whenever possible. Chapter input will be taken in consideration but cannot be considered binding.

Upon reviewing and discussing the merits of a nomination, committee members will vote on a short list of nominees.

At the discretion of the Anti-Corruption Award Committee, the shortlist will be publicised. Before publication, the written consent of shortlisted nominees will be sought. The shortlist will not be publicised without the consent of the shortlisted nominees.

A second round of voting will determine the final recommended winner(s). The Committee will forward its recommended selection of candidates to be awarded the recognition to the TI Board of Directors for endorsement on a no-objection basis. The Board may invite the Committee to reconsider a particular nomination giving its reasons. In the case of the Committee confirming its recommendation, it is the role of the Board to take final decision.

The Committee has the right:

- To decide whether a nomination serves the goals of TI or whether the means used by the nominee meet TI standards.
- To ask the nominator or an appropriate national chapter for additional information to be attached to the nomination file and to make such further enquiries as it sees fit and to decline to consider a nomination where the information provided is, in its opinion, insufficient.
- To organise, in exceptional cases, a visit to the nominee's country to verify the accuracy of information submitted or to obtain necessary additional evidence.
- To recommend that no Anti-Corruption Award be granted in the absence of a suitable nominee.
- To recommend that an Anti-Corruption Award be withdrawn should the winner act in a manner that compromises the integrity or reputation of the TI movement and the Anti-Corruption Award. Specific reasons for any such recommendation should be explicitly outlined to the Board.

To read the Anti-Corruption Award Committee terms of reference please visit: [http://www.transparency.org/files/content/ouraccountability/2016\\_06\\_27\\_AntiCorruptionAwardCommittee\\_ToR.pdf](http://www.transparency.org/files/content/ouraccountability/2016_06_27_AntiCorruptionAwardCommittee_ToR.pdf)

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Members of the Anti-Corruption Award Committee will refrain from voting on a particular nomination when a conflict of interest may arise.

## GENERAL DISCLOSURE

All nominations become the property of Transparency International (TI).

Upon receiving a shortlisted nominee's written consent, TI is granted the right to use the name, voice and image of a shortlisted nominee, without compensation, for the purpose of advertising and publicising all matters related to the Anti-Corruption Award programme and award ceremony in any medium, worldwide.

Winner(s) is/are responsible for obtaining all proper documentation (visa, passport etc.) in order to travel to the award ceremony.

## PRIVACY POLICY

The Anti-Corruption Award nomination process is carried out in compliance with applicable laws on data privacy protection and data security. Transparency International will not collect, store or use any personal data without the nominee's knowledge and consent. The nominee(s) may revoke this consent at any time by writing [anticorruptionawards@transparency.org](mailto:anticorruptionawards@transparency.org). Personal data is collected only for the purpose of the nomination and award programme and will be disclosed only to the members of the Anti-Corruption Award Committee and its secretary and will be deleted by 31 December 2020.