



Supplier Diversity Advocate of the Year 2024

This document lists the questions and word counts to assist you in preparing the submission prior to completing it online. You will also be required to upload company logos, photos and / or documents. You may start the online nomination at any time and will be able to update or amend it prior to the closing date of Friday 22 March 2024.

Note: nominations must be completed and submitted via the online Awards platform – submissions will not be accepted via any other method. To nominate for any of our Supplier Diversity Award categories, please go to www.awards.supplynation.org.au

Note: if the business has won this award within the past two years (2022 or 2023), you are NOT eligible to be nominated for this award in 2024.

Category Description and Criteria

This award recognises an individual from a member business or Indigenous business (including sole traders) who has driven supplier diversity growth and development within their business and/ or the Indigenous business sector.

The winner will have:

- Led their business and / or the wider sector as a champion of supplier diversity, working to develop and strengthen networks to support supplier diversity both internally and externally
- Demonstrated outcomes in supplier diversity over the last two calendar years (2022 – 2023)
- Influenced, developed and / or implemented procurement guidelines and / or strategies to ensure that supplier diversity programs are sustainably embedded within their own or other businesses
- Demonstrated commitment to building a prosperous, vibrant and sustainable Indigenous business sector

Context Questions

Please note: These questions are not scored by our judging panel but do provide them with valuable context about the Nominee's business.

1. Briefly describe what the Nominee's business does. **150 words max.**
2. Name of the Nominee, the Nominee's role within the business, the pronouns used or preferred by the Nominee, phonetic pronunciation of the Nominee.
3. Please include the Nominee's biography outlining professional career highlights
4. How long has the Nominee been in their current role?
5. (Optional) Briefly describe any past relevant positions which demonstrate the Nominee's procurement experience. **150 words max.**

Criteria Questions

Please note: These questions are scored by our judging panel and have been developed to align with the category criteria as set out on the first page.

1. How does the Nominee incorporate supplier diversity within their role? **250 words max.**
2. Give examples of supplier diversity advocacy above and beyond the Nominee's core role. **300 words max.**
3. How has the Nominee's actions increased opportunities for Supply Nation Indigenous businesses to win work? Provide metrics if available. **250 words max.**
4. What are the three most important / successful actions the Nominee has taken over the last two calendar years that have positively impacted the sector, and what were their outcomes? **250 words max.**
5. What specific actions has the Nominee taken to influence supplier diversity within the business and / or the wider sector and what were the outcomes? **250 words max.**
6. What were the challenges in the implementation of the above and how did the Nominee overcome them? **250 words max.**
7. Give examples of how the Nominee engaged with and supported Supply Nation, its members and Indigenous businesses in 2022 and / or 2023. **200 words max.**

Prepare to Upload Attachments

Please note: As part of this nomination, you must attach the files below when you make the nomination. The maximum size allowed is 5MB per file. The images and information you choose to upload will be used if you are selected as a finalist in the award category.

1. Between one and four photos of the Nominee and / or their team. (High-resolution, at least 1MB and portrait orientation NOT landscape.)
2. A logo of the Nominee's business. Vector (.ai or .eps), .png or .jpg file type - please upload both colour AND black / white versions, AND horizontal and vertical / stacked options if possible.)

Good Luck!

Nominations close at **11:59pm AEDT on Friday 22 March 2024**. This date is final and there will be no extensions provided. You can amend the nomination, even after submitting it, up until this time.

Winners will be announced at the Connect Gala Awards Dinner on Thursday 29 August on Turrbal and Jagera land at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition centre. To stay up to date with event announcements, subscribe to the Connect newsletter [here](#) (scroll to the bottom of the page to submit the details) or follow Supply Nation on [social media](#).

If you have any questions or feedback, please email connect@supplynation.org.au or call 1300 055 298.