

WOMEN IN PAYMENTS INNOVATION AWARD

Nominations are encouraged from across the payments industry, including but not limited to back office, tech, operations, client facing, and more. The Women in Payments Award for Innovation will be presented to a woman in the industry who best meets the following criteria:

CRITERION 1: INNOVATION

Has promoted payments innovation through creativity, vision, and perseverance in her organization or the payments industry. Has been instrumental in promoting innovations or creative process re-engineering which are original, have significant impact, can be easily and effectively adopted, have results that are measurable, can be applied elsewhere, and support and inspire others in the organization or industry to innovate.

CRITERION 2: PROBLEM SOLVING

Creative use of new knowledge and/or technology to develop ideas aimed at addressing ongoing challenges, enhancing customer experience, and creating innovative systems, technology, products, programs and/or policies to solution such challenges.

CRITERION 3: PRODUCTIVITY

Has created a solution that reduces time, resources, risks, and/or costs associated with delivering a service, system or product. Has successfully implemented the solution, resulting in a positive impact to the product or customer experience beyond the nominee's own team or department.

CRITERION 4: MENTORSHIP

Is widely recognized for her expertise and actively works to empower others. Leads by example and motivates members of her team, organization or industry. Acts as a mentor, advisor, and teacher, to make a positive impact on members of her organization or the payments industry.

CRITERION 5: INTEGRITY & DIVERSITY

Has high integrity and sets high professional standards for ethics and quality of work. Has contributed to a positive and supportive learning environment by encouraging diversity of people and opinions.



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WOMEN IN PAYMENTS INSPIRATION AWARD

Nominations are encouraged from across the payments industry, including but not limited to back office, tech, operations, client facing, and more. The Women in Payments Award for Inspiration will be presented to a woman who inspires others in the industry, often through thought leadership or mentorship. The winner will be the nominee who best meets the following criteria:

CRITERION 1: DRIVES VISION IN HER ORGANIZATION OR INDUSTRY

Is able to create a strong vision and inspire a team towards achieving a goal, either in her organization or industry. Has demonstrated payments thought leadership by actively contributing to the payments debate.

CRITERION 2: LEADERSHIP

Exudes a strong desire for growth and has a vision for the future. Actively encourages debate about the evolution of payments in order to shape a strong payments ecosystem. Inspires others to reach great heights of performance and success and is consistently proactive in seizing opportunities. Creates an environment where everyone feels valued and heard.

CRITERION 3: EXUDES POSITIVITY

Freely shares knowledge and insights of the payments system with colleagues, industry professionals and/or outside the industry. Is a beacon of positivity in the face of challenges and failures and is able to uplift others through her positive outlook. Inspires others to accomplish goals, despite difficulty or roadblocks to achieving success. Inspires greatness and growth from others.

CRITERION 4: RELATIONSHIPS AND MENTORSHIP

Is widely recognized for her ability to build strong relationships and mentor others. Actively works to empower others to be positive team players and further change agents. Leads by example and motivates members of her team, organization or industry. Acts as a mentor, advisor and teacher, making a positive impact on members of her organization or the payments industry.

CRITERION 5: COMMUNICATION AND INTEGRITY

Displays extremely strong communication skills and creates an environment where everyone feels valued and heard. Establishes connections with people to build strong relationships founded on integrity, impeccable ethics and high quality of work.



WOMEN IN PAYMENTS RISING STAR AWARD

Nominations are encouraged from across the payments industry, including but not limited to back office, tech, operations, client facing, and more. The Women in Payments Rising Star Award will be presented to a woman with a maximum of ten (10) years' experience in the payment industry, who is currently employed in EMEA and who best meets the following criteria:

CRITERION 1: DRIVE

Is always willing to go that extra mile to achieve excellence for herself, her organization and/or the industry. She supports and inspires others through promoting innovation and advancement. She is results-oriented, always seeking new ideas with the ability to translate them into action for her organization and customers.

CRITERION 2: PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE

Consistently outperforms her peers in a variety of settings and circumstances. Performs with distinction and delivers strong results by building trust and confidence among her colleagues.

CRITERION 3: POTENTIAL

Exhibits behaviors that reflect her company's culture and values in an exemplary manner. Shows a strong capacity to grow and succeed throughout her career.

CRITERION 4: MENTORSHIP

Is widely recognized for her expertise and actively works to empower others. Leads by example and motivates members of her team, organization or industry. Actively supports others to make a positive impact on members of her organization or the payments industry.

CRITERION 5: INTEGRITY & DIVERSITY

Has high integrity and sets high professional standards for ethics and quality of work. Has contributed to a positive and supportive learning environment by encouraging diversity of people and opinions.



WOMEN IN PAYMENTS ADVOCATE FOR INCLUSIVITY

Nominations are encouraged from across the payments industry, including but not limited to back office, tech, operations, client facing, and more. The Women in Payments Advocate for Inclusivity award will be presented to either a man or a woman in the payments and fintech industry who best meets the following criteria:

CRITERION 1: PROMOTION OF FEMALE LEADERSHIP

Actively contributes to the advancement and development of women either inside or outside his/her own organization and publicly celebrates the work and accomplishments of female leaders. Leads by example—promoting and broadcasting the need for continuous support and advocacy for female leadership. Is a strong role model for female empowerment, encouraging the hiring/promotion of strong female talent with diversity in mind.

CRITERION 2: ADVOCATE FOR ALL WOMEN

Helps support the development of women and encourages women to increase their levels of participation and engagement. Is an advocate for gender equality, including equal pay and equal opportunities for career growth and provides a positive forum for women to network and find mentors within their industry.

CRITERION 3: SUPPORTS & EDUCATES

Promotes education, career development and mentorship opportunities, both formal and informal, for women in his/her organization.

CRITERION 4: MENTORSHIP

Is widely recognized for his/her expertise and actively works to empower others. Leads by example and motivates members of his/her team, organization or industry. Acts as a mentor, advisor and teacher, to make a positive impact on members of his/her organization or the payments industry.

CRITERION 5: INTEGRITY & DIVERSITY

Has high integrity and sets high professional standards for ethics and quality of work. Has contributed to a positive and supportive learning environment by encouraging diversity of people and opinions.



WOMEN IN PAYMENTS SOCIAL IMPACT AND SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

Nominations are encouraged from across the payments industry, including but not limited to back office, tech, operations, client facing, and more. The Women in Payments Social Impact and Sustainability Award will be presented to a woman in the industry who best meets the following criteria:

CRITERION 1: LEADERSHIP/EXPERTISE

Is a strong leader and advocate for sustainability, social justice and mental health in her field within the payments industry. Is the go-to resource for her knowledge and specific expertise within her organization or in the industry as a whole. Is committed to practicing and promoting sustainability principles within her realm of influence and beyond.

CRITERION 2: POSITIVE IMPACT

Consistently seizes opportunities to steer co-workers and/or the wider industry to a place of positivity, empathy and mutual support. Leads with spirit to drive toward a positive outcome for all. Is able to pivot as circumstances change to maintain a positive direction.

CRITERION 3: RESILIENCE

Has shown steadfastness in navigating projects, leading teams and/or accomplishing goals, despite difficulty or changing circumstances. Actively works to build resilience of the team, organization or industry to support each other in times of uncertainty and great change.

CRITERION 4: SUSTAINABILITY VISION

Has a clear and strong idea of what she sees for a sustainable future for her organization, her team and/or the payments industry. Believes in supporting the mental health of her colleagues and stakeholders and actively shares knowledge to promote sustainability and social justice.

CRITERION 5: ACTION AND COMMITMENT

Has taken leadership action with initiatives that supported her community, both professional and personal, in a sustainable way. Strong commitment to sustainable practices and positive mental health of her team, her organization, and those around her. Shares insights to sustainable practices for her organization, furthering the industry as a whole.



WOMEN IN PAYMENTS EMEA 2024 AWARDS PROGRAM CATEGORIES & CRITERIA

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Please have the following prepared in advance of submitting the application online:

Nominator (may be the same as nominee)

- Name
- Organization
- Email
- Phone

Nominee

- Name
- Organization
- Job title
- Biography
- Email
- Phone
- Address

Award

- Category
- Describe how the nominee meets the criteria for this award. (min 500 – 1000 max characters)
- Outline of the nominee’s experience in the organization or within the payments industry in the areas of leadership, mentorship, integrity and diversity. (min 500 – 1000 max characters)
- Describe the nominee’s most significant achievements in the organization or the payments industry in the areas of leadership, mentorship, integrity and diversity. Provide concise examples of initiatives, efforts, programs and or policies that have contributed to success. (min 500 – 1000 max characters)
- List any recognition or awards received by the nominee, the organization that awarded them and date awarded.
- Biography (min 500 – 1000 max characters)
- Profile picture of the nominee (max 1000 x 1000 pixels)

References

- Min of 3 reference letters from colleagues and peers who can support the nomination.
- Name, Organization, Email, Phone
- Capacity in which they know the nominee (min 100 – 300 max characters)
- Reasons why they support the nomination (min 100 – 300 max characters)



RISING STAR AWARD

Nomination #:					
Nominee:					
Title:					
Organization:					
Drive	Professional Excellence	Potential	Mentorship	Integrity & Diversity	Total Score
/10	/10	/10	/10	/10	/50



AWARD FOR INNOVATION

Nomination #:					
Nominee:					
Title:					
Organization:					
Instrumental in Promoting Innovation	Problem Solving	Productivity	Mentorship	Integrity & Diversity	Total Score
/10	/10	/10	/10	/10	/50

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ADVOCATE FOR INCLUSIVITY AWARD

Nomination #: xx					
Nominee: xx					
Title: xx					
Organization: xx					
Promotion for Female Leadership	Advocate for all Women	Supports & Educates	Mentorship	Integrity & Diversity	Total Score
/10	/10	/10	/10	/10	/50



INSPIRATION AWARD

Nomination #:					
Nominee:					
Title:					
Organization:					
Drives Vision in her organization or Industry	Leadership	Positivity	Relationships and Mentorship	Communication & Integrity	Total Score
/10	/10	/10	/10	/10	/50

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SOCIAL IMPACT AND SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

Nomination #:					
Nominee:					
Title:					
Organization:					
Leadership/Expertise	Positive Impact	Resilience	Sustainability Vision	Action & Commitment	Total Score
/10	/10	/10	/10	/10	/50

