



## **IoD South West Director of the Year Awards 2012**

The Institute of Directors is delighted to announce the 2012 South West Director of the Year Awards, the winners of which will represent the region at the UK Finals later in the year.

These IoD awards have been created to recognise and celebrate the role of leaders and their contribution to the South West region.

Judging will cover all the key elements of business success, including financial performance, managing growth, employee engagement, innovation, reputation management and ethical behaviour.

Regional winners will be selected by the judging panel during April and invited to attend the IoD South West Entrepreneurs Dinner and Awards in Bristol on Thursday 14 June. They will then go on to represent the region at the IoD National Director of the Year Awards in the autumn.

### **Five great reasons to enter:**

1. Invaluable positive press coverage to help raise your businesses profile
2. Celebrate your businesses achievements to gain prestige and recognition from peers
3. Impress potential investors, stakeholders and increase your business growth
4. Boost staff morale and help attract high quality new staff
5. Network with fellow entrepreneurs and directors.

### **Categories**

The 2012 IoD Director of the Year awards will include the following categories:

#### **Director of the Year**

This award is open to all directors from small and medium-sized companies (defined in this instance as any company with fewer than 250 employees and a turnover of less than £5m).

#### **Director of the Year – Large Company**

This award is open to all directors from large companies (defined in this instance as any company with more than 250 employees and a turnover of greater than £5m).

#### **Non-Executive Director of the Year**

This award is open to non-executive directors and Chairmen in business, as well as in public sector, third sector and other charitable or not-for-profit organisations.

#### **Young Director of the Year**

To enter for this award, directors must be under the age of 42 and must be able to point to outstanding achievements at work in the previous 12 months.

#### **Global Director of the Year**

This award is open to all directors in UK-based companies with overseas operations. The entrant must be able to show that a minimum of 25 per cent of his company's turnover comes from overseas operations.

#### **Public Sector Director of the Year**

This award is open to all directors in the public sector, as well as those working in the third sector and other charitable or not-for-profit organisations.

#### **Family Business Director of the Year**

Entrants for this award will be directors in second-generation or more family businesses and will have responded to the specific challenges that face directors in such well established family firms.

#### **Corporate Responsibility Award**

This award recognises those directors who are able to demonstrate that, through their direct actions and leadership, they have had a significant positive impact on the environment and/or local community.

Deadline for receipt of entries to the South West awards will be **Friday 30 March 2012**.

The entry form and further information is available online at [www.iod.com/southwest](http://www.iod.com/southwest).