



Inspiring business
South West

IoD South West Director of the Year Awards 2017

The Institute of Directors is delighted to announce the 2017 South West Director of the Year Awards, 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 finalists will be selected by the judging panel during April and invited to attend the IoD South West Entrepreneurs Dinner and Awards in Bristol on 25 May. The winners will be announced at the event and go on to represent the South West 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.

2017 Award Categories:

Director of the Year

This award is open to all directors from any size of company – small, medium or large.

Young Director of the Year

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

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.

Public Sector Director of the Year

Open to directors whose organisation is directly funded, owned or subsidised by national or local government.

Not for Profit / Third Sector Director of the Year

This award is open to directors whose business is a charity or not-for-profit organisation which can generate a surplus but which exists to service the good of the community.

International Director of the Year

Open to all directors in UK-based companies with overseas sales. The entrant must be able to show that a minimum of 25% of the company's turnover comes from overseas sales (outside of the UK) and must be successful in exporting, and committed to continued growth in the international arena.

Corporate Responsibility Award

To recognise those directors who are able to demonstrate that, through their direct actions and leadership, their business has made a positive impact on the local community wider society and/or the environment.

Deadline for receipt of entries to the South West awards will be **5pm Friday 31st March 2017**.
The entry form and further information is available online at www.iod.com/southwest.