**BIG Biodiversity Champion Awards Categories**

The BIG Biodiversity Champion awards are back! You are invited to nominate one person who has demonstrably gone the extra mile to enrich and enhance biodiversity. Nominators will be asked to submit a short summary giving the reasons why this person has been nominated and illustrating how they achieve the 6 key qualities needed to become a BIG Biodiversity Champion.

2 categories are available:

* Biodiversity Champion - Early career professional (Up to 5 years working on biodiversity-related projects/effort)
* Biodiversity Champion - Established professional (more than 5 years working on biodiversity-related projects/effort)

All nominees will be reviewed against the BIG Biodiversity Awards criteria and the winners will be announced at the BIG Biodiversity Challenge Awards in London in September 2023 (details TBC).

Anyone can submit an entry: the individual, the employer or jointly, or someone from a different company.

**6 key qualities to become a BIG Biodiversity Champion**

**Engaging**

Someone who is inclusive; who communicates by listening as well as speaking

**Inspiring**

Someone who can motivate others with honour, integrity and courage

**Enthusiastic**

Someone who can share their enthusiasm about biodiversity with others; who can persevere and push to achieve positive outcomes on projects

**Creative**

Someone who is prepared to seek solutions when faced with challenges; who looks for opportunities and innovative ways to overcome hurdles

**Knowledgeable**

Someone who understands their subject; who increases their knowledge and awareness as they progress and is capable of sharing and disseminating that knowledge with others

**Outcomes driven**

Someone who can demonstrate their positive biodiversity impacts

**Nomination form for BIG Biodiversity Champion 2023**

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| **Nominee Name** |  |
| **Award category** | Early career professional (up to 5 years working on biodiversity-related projects/effort) **OR** Established professional (more than 5 years working on biodiversity-related projects/effort) |
| **How many years** working on biodiversity-related projects/effort? |  |
| **Project(s) person is nominated for** |  |
| **Nominee Organisation**  |  |
| **Nominator name (can be same as above), organisation & email for contact** |  |
| **Describe how the nominee best meets the following criteria (no more than 50 words each):** |
| **Engaging** |  |
| **Inspiring** |  |
| **Enthusiastic** |  |
| **Creative** |  |
| **Knowledgeable** |  |
| **Outcomes driven** |  |
| **In 100 words provide a summary of how this nominee has gone the extra mile to enrich and enhance biodiversity on this project** |
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| **Please attach a photo** |