

## Call for Nominations for 2018 APQN Quality Awards

### I. Introduction

APQN Quality Awards were initiated in 2013 which aimed to mark decennial celebrations of APQN. By 2017, 44 awards have been given to prize winners both within and outside the Asia-Pacific Region. The Awards have given positive energy for APQN's long march of "Dissolving Boundaries for a Quality Region" as well as "to enhance the quality of higher education in Asia and the Pacific region through strengthening the work of quality assurance agencies and extending the cooperation between them".

APQN Quality Award is intended to identify and distinguish extraordinary or prominent QA contributions and good practices that have potential of replications in the Asia-Pacific area. APQN Criteria and Chiba principles will be generally applied to all categories as selection criteria. Based on "APQN Procedures Manual(version 3, 2017)", APQN would encourage members which have been doing much more outstanding work individually, institutionally, nationally as well as internationally to submit applications for Quality Awards.

### II. Award Category

The 2018 APQN Quality Award categories are as follows:

#### 1. APQN Award of International Cooperation in QA (Two categories)

Category 1: This award is open to full and intermediate APQN members. This award recognizes organizations which have engaged in successful cooperation with other organizations internationally to further cross-border education and quality assurance of international initiatives.

Category 2: This award is also open to organizations outside the APQN region. This award recognizes organizations which have engaged in successful cooperation with organizations and institutions within the Asia-Pacific region to further cross-border education and quality assurance of international initiatives.

#### 2. APQN Quality Champions Award

This award is set up for individuals of APQN members who have made outstanding contributions in promoting quality and excellence of higher education and recognized nationally and internationally in his or her research achievements or leadership of QA activities in this region.

#### 3. APQN's Best/Model Internal QA Award

This award category is for institutional and associate members only. The members who have committed to quality assurance mechanisms and quality culture building are

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encouraged to apply for this award so as to make much wider circulation about their best or model IQA practices and experiences.

#### 4. APQN Award of Staff Capacity Building

This award is open to all categories of APQN members. The members who have made prominent contributions in training all kinds of staff capacity, supporting staff reviewers locally and/or regionally, especially those who have developed sound and effective material kit of training would be nominated.

### III. Nomination Form and Submission

Only Chief Executive Officers of APQN Full, Intermediate and Associate members and APQN Board members can send nominations for themselves or other APQN members. The presidents of institutional members could send nominations for themselves or other APQN institutional members for APQN's Best Internal QA Award.

Generally APQN member will not be considered for award in same category for two consecutive years. Members can submit up to two nominations free of cost. If more nominations are made, fee of 50 USD per nomination will be applicable.

Please fill in the nomination form for APQN Quality Awards 2018

Award category	
Names and contact details of members being nominated	
Names and contact details of the person making nomination	
Detailed description of Award nomination	(including background, purpose, procedures, reasons of success and impact ;relevant evidence, especially its contribution to APQN; up to 800 words)
Promotion value	(especially promoting in the Asia-Pacific Region, up to 200 words)
Description on Contribution to APQN	(This part is filled by APQN administrator based on the historical records, APQNews and Annual reports)
Panel Decision	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept <input type="checkbox"/> Reject Reasons: _____  (Signed by the panelist)

Nomination forms could be submitted to APQN Administrator of Mr. Zhang Lingfei by

email at [apqnsecretariat@163.com](mailto:apqnsecretariat@163.com) by **January 30, 2018.**

## IV. Selection Procedure

After the nomination forms are received, the administrator will fill in the “Description on Contribution to APQN” according to the historical records.

APQN board will review all the nominations and make final decision on Quality Awards.

No appeal will be provided as this is a peer review or judgment.

## V. Award Presentation

APQN Quality Award will be presented during APQN Annual conference to be **held during 22-25 March 2018 in Nagpur, India.** Attractive mementoes and certificates will be awarded to the winners.

In addition, award winners should present a 50-word awarding speech at the Award Ceremony on March 23, 2018, and a 500-word article with 1-2 photos should submitted to be released in APQNews.

## VI. Feedback and Query

If you have any feedback or queries, please email to APQN Administrator Zhang Lingfei ([apqnsecretariat@163.com](mailto:apqnsecretariat@163.com)) as well as President Prof. Dr. Jianxin Zhang at [948661302@qq.com](mailto:948661302@qq.com).

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