



OSAC Award Nominations

Guidelines and Eligibility

The Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) is now soliciting nominations for the 2019 OSAC Achievement Awards, a private-sector led initiative to recognize the contributions made by representatives of the U.S. Department of State and the OSAC public-private partnership to enhance the ability of the U.S. private sector to operate abroad. Since 1995, the private sector has been recognizing contributions by the public sector in the following categories:

DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT

For a U.S. Department of State representative or group for their significant contribution to enhancing the ability of American organizations to protect their personnel, assets, information intellectual property of business operations overseas. Nominees could include OSAC staff, Regional Security Officers or any other U.S. Department of State official.

COMMON INTEREST COUNCIL ACHIEVEMENT

Exclusively for the OSAC Common Interest Councils (ex: Regional Councils and Sector-Specific Working Groups) and recognizes the significant contribution of both the public-private sectors.

COUNTRY COUNCIL ACHIEVEMENT

Will be recognized for partnership excellence operating at U.S. Embassies and Consulates and the private sector will also select semi-finalists from each of the six regions (Sub-Saharan Africa, East Asia, South Asia, Europe, North Africa & the Middle East, and Latin America) to highlight the growing accomplishments of more than 150 Country Councils operating globally.



Criteria

Nominations must outline how the nominee met one of the following criteria:

LEADERSHIP:

Demonstrated excellence in leading or advancing the collaboration of an OSAC public-private partnership through superior communication with key stakeholders, promoting strategic initiatives, developing or fostering networks or any other significant contribution driven by organizational leadership.

ENGAGEMENT:

Demonstrated excellence in developing and driving initiatives with significant impact or contributions to a public-private partnership through speakers, meetings, conferences, recruitment, marketing, or any other programming that serves the OSAC partnership.

DIVERSITY:

Demonstrated excellence through fostering a more inclusive OSAC public-private partnership, creating or sustaining diversity in leadership or programming that contributed to significant constituent impact.

INNOVATION:

Demonstrated excellence in creating, sustaining or promoting novel processes, technology, or other solutions that advance the OSAC partnership among constituents.

CRISIS OR INCIDENT RESPONSE:

Demonstrated excellence providing integral support during a crisis, significant incident, or event abroad that enhanced the ability of American organizations to protect their personnel, assets, information, intellectual property or business operations overseas through the OSAC partnership.

How to Nominate:

1. Review OSAC Nomination Guidelines & Eligibility.
2. OSAC constituents and Country Council members may submit nominations starting April 26, 2019.
3. Nominations must include the following: name of the nominee, criteria met, narrative justification for the award, and the nominator's information.
4. Justification for the award must be in essay format and be no longer than 3,500 characters if typed directly into Survey Monkey or 1-page uploaded in a .doc, .docx, or .pdf format. Please note, once the submission is started you will not be able to save and come back to your narrative. Writing the nomination in Word is recommended.
5. Please provide a clear justification of the nomination, to include specific example(s) when the nominee demonstrated superior contribution to OSAC using the criteria referenced above.
6. Nominations should describe the impact to the private sector's ability to operate abroad.
7. To submit your nomination, visit the official survey page: research.net/r/2019OSACAwards (or OSAC.gov or isf4osac.org) and follow the prompts to submit your nomination for any of the three categories.
8. **Deadline for submissions is July 26, 2019.**

Eligibility:

1. Eligible nominations in the Distinguished Achievement category must be Department of State employees or third party contractors. All nominees must be OSAC constituents or members of an OSAC Country Council.
2. Nominations submitted by groups for the same individual or group, should be coordinated, compiled, or condensed into one nomination by the nominator, or will be compiled by the reviewer.
3. Nominations must be submitted electronically through Survey Monkey and include a justification. Incomplete nominations will be ineligible for consideration.
4. Justification, or the essay portion, must be less than 3,500 characters (approximately 1 page or less) or will be returned for modification.
5. Self-nominations are accepted. There is no limit to the number of nominations submitted by each person.