



The Gannochy Trust Innovation Award of The Royal Society of Edinburgh

NOMINATION FORM

NOTES ON NOMINATIONS

This major award, funded by The Gannochy Trust and carrying a prize of £50,000 and other benefits, will be made annually by the Council of the Royal Society of Edinburgh to an **individual** based in Scotland, aged 45 or under, who has shown an outstanding record of innovation and achievement which has the potential for significant social or economic benefit for Scotland. The Award will be made to an individual and not to a company, although award winners may be carrying out their work in, or in collaboration with, Scottish based small to medium sized enterprises. The first Gannochy Award was made in June 2003, at a high profile award ceremony.

Eligibility criteria – the individual nominated:

- must be based in Scotland or have other substantial connections with Scotland
- must be able to demonstrate outstanding innovation (which has a practical demonstration available) and achievement
- must be able to demonstrate his/her innovation has the potential for social and economic benefit
- must be 45 or under by 1 January 2010

Closing date – Friday 14 May 2010

Selection process – details of the timetable are attached. Short-listed candidates will be called for interview between mid June and mid July 2010.

Confidentiality – all nominations will be treated as commercially confidential by the RSE and all those involved in the selection and assessment process will be required to comply with a confidentiality agreement.

Nomination papers – the nomination form must be completed in full and two A4 single-sided pages must be attached. The names of two referees must be provided. A one-page (maximum) curriculum vitae must be included with the nomination papers. The nomination papers should be sent **electronically** to the Research Awards Manager (contact details below) and **one signed, hard copy must be received by the closing date**.

Conditions of nomination:

- Nominators must obtain the prior consent of the person being nominated, (unless nominating self).
- The RSE will not be liable or held responsible for any errors or omissions made by nominators in their submissions.
- Repeat nominations are acceptable but must make clear any progress that has been made since the previous submission. A copy of a previous submission will not be accepted for consideration.
- Multiple nominations in any one year are acceptable.
- The RSE will, at its discretion, seek independent assessors' views on the merit of nominations received.
- Nominated candidates must be available to attend for interview at the RSE between mid June and mid July 2010.
- The award winner will be expected to co-operate fully with the presentation arrangements and associated publicity, and to confirm that there are no IPR issues which would restrict publishing details of the innovation, were the award to be made.
- The award winner must provide a full report, twelve months after the award has been made, on progress and how the funding has been used.
- The decision of the Council of the RSE will be final and absolute.

The completed form must be returned, by 5pm on **14 May 2010**, to:-

Mrs Anne Fraser
Research Awards Manager
The Royal Society of Edinburgh
22-26 George Street
Edinburgh
EH2 2PQ

Tel: 0131 240 5013
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TIMETABLE 2010	
14 May	- closing date for nominations
late May/early June	- Selection Panel meets to consider nominations and short-list - independent assessor's advice sought - references taken up
Mid June-mid July	- short-listed candidates called for interview
	- due diligence carried out if required
Early/mid July	- candidates informed of Committee decision
Late October	- presentation of Award

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1	Full name of individual being nominated
2	Home address
3	Correspondence address if different from above
4	Date of birth:
5	Telephone number:
6	E-mail address:
7	Normal place of work (name of company or institution and full address)
8	What connection, if any, has the employer with the innovation being described in this application?

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Referees – please provide the names and contact details (including e-mail addresses) of two referees who would be willing to be consulted in connection with this nomination:

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I agree that the details on this form are correct, that the innovation is my own work and I accept the conditions of the Award

Signature of innovator

Signature of nominator if different from innovator

Please print name:

If a nomination is being made on behalf of another person please state your relationship to, or any business connection with, the nominee:

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Date:

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Please state the title of your innovation:

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Please provide a summary paragraph of your innovation:

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14 **Please state precisely the details of the innovation attached separately on 2 x A4 single-sided pages maximum (see end of this form).**

15 **Please state how the award will benefit your organisation:**

16 **Please state how the prize money will be used if successful:**

17 **What is the next stage to take forward the innovation?**

18 **If the innovation has been developed through a company, please explain how the company plans to commercialise it:**

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What social and economic benefit will the innovation have?

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Please state what patents are in place, if any, in relation to this innovation and please provide the cover page of the relevant patent documents showing the name of the inventor(s):

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Where did you see this Award advertised or how did you hear about this award?

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Details of the Innovation

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