

4''' Asia Trusted Life Agents & Advisers Awards 2019

How to Enter

Launch:

2 January 2019

Deadline:

1 April 2019 (third-party nominations)12 April 2019 (self-nominations)

Judging Day:

22 May 2019, Singapore

Gala Awards Dinner:

18 July 2019, Bangkok, Thailand

Organisers





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Organiser's Message

Let the Stars Shine

t is with great pride that we launch the 4th Asia Trusted Life Agents and Advisers Awards. Despite the rhetoric around technological disruption and disintermediation, professional agents and advisers continue to prove their worth and value in helping to narrow society's protection gap and secure the financial future of families.

Kudos to the industry for coming together as one to recognise the best in agency and advisory. Over the past three editions, we have crowned winners from 22 companies and 10 markets. This year, more supporting organisations and companies have come on board to be part of the esteemed judging panel and to back the Awards.

We are thankful for the faith placed in us by Founding Patron Mr Mark Tucker, Group Chairman, HSBC Holdings; Strategic Partner AIA; and Co-Organiser LIMRA since day one. It is with their unwavering support that we successfully launched this neutral platform. We will remain true to our form and ensure the integrity of the transparent judging process with the panel of eminent leaders and heavyweights in the market with an independent auditor.

Other than the Awards, we will continue to grow Asia Advisers Network, our dedicated online platform to meet the information and development needs of advisers and agency leaders. And this year, in conjunction with the Awards Gala

Dinner to be held on 18 July 2019 in Bangkok, we will be co-hosting "Agency Innovation Conference – Thriving in the Digital World" with LIMRA.

The past editions of the Awards have shown that there is no lack of professionals in the industry who have gone the extra mile. So stand up and be counted this year. Submit your entry or nominate someone deserving. Your active participation will help to trumpet the good that is being done by the industry and professionals of the highest standards.

Let the stars shine!





Co-Organiser's Message

Recognising the Best and Brightest

IMRA is honoured to coorganise the 4th Asia Trusted Life Agents and Advisers Awards programme, which recognises accomplished agents and advisers and their commitment to serving their customers.

The world is changing at a record pace, and our industry must adapt to remain relevant.

Today's consumers compare their experiences in our industry with their every other retail relationship they have. The bar is higher as consumers' expectations, and preferences have grown and changed and, as a result, we must transform to engage with them on their terms.

Recent LIMRA studies indicate that consumers of all ages and ethnicities want to work with a trusted financial professional to make important financial decisions. But what does that mean in the age of the internet, mobile and social media? Nearly a quarter of consumers say they expect to communicate with their adviser via social media - for millennials the number grows to 4 in 10. While there has never been a greater need for financial advice, understanding the best approaches to connect and communicate with different customer segments is critical to success.

At its core, LIMRA is a research organisation, offering actionable,

credible insight into insurance and retirement trends. As the trusted source of industry knowledge, we focus on the research and training programmes that will help you and your companies develop successful strategies to meet challenges of today and tomorrow, fulfilling our common mission to protect families' financial security throughout their lives.

It is important to recognise the people that are on the front lines to help our customers achieve financial security. I encourage you to nominate an agent or adviser who represents the best and brightest of our industry.



Patron's Message

Keep the Flag Flying High

s the Founding Patron of the Asia Trusted Life Agents and Advisers Awards, I am delighted to see that it has now built real momentum that recognises technological developments, expands to include Digital Agents and provides a dedicated interactive website: the Asia Advisers Network.

I am also proud to see how agents and advisers continue to serve the life business as the world moves rapidly into the digital age. This business is all about protecting individuals, their lives and assets. It is now increasingly focused on helping them to live longer and more healthily as well as protecting people in the event of death and losses. It is great to see agents and advisers embracing these changes with such dynamism.

The need for insurance has become even more pronounced as the complexity of risks continues to grow. So too has the need for the expertise of agents and advisers given the complexity of products and abundance of choice.

Agents and advisers, who build trusted relationships based on personal interaction and financial expertise over the years and across generations, play a unique role in ensuring maximum reach and appropriate coverage that closes the protection gap at an individual and societal level. It is interesting to note that in many cases, technological research and development is focused on augmenting the people-to-people skills of the best agents and advisers.

I believe the Awards has an important role to play in highlighting the contribution of agents and advisers to the insurance value chain and to society more broadly. I congratulate Asia Insurance Review and Asia Advisers Network for keeping the flag flying high.





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How To Enter



Eligibility

- Entries and nominations are open to all relevant candidates operating in any markets in Asia.
- Participation in more than one category is allowed.



Application requirements

- All entries must be in English and submitted by 12 April 2019.
- Download the application form at www.AsiaAdvisersNetwork.com/awards
- Submission may be done online at www.AsiaAdvisersNetwork.com/awards Or by email to lifeawards@asiainsurancereview.com.
- All submissions should:
 - Specifically address each criterion and must be backed by examples. The judging panel reserves the right to only consider applications that separately address each criterion in the selected award category.
 - Not exceed 1,200 words. The judges will not read beyond the word limit.
 - All write-ups should consist of text only. Visuals and pictures should be appended separately as supporting documents/attachments (see below).
- Supporting documents/attachments:
 - Should be included to back up assertions made in the submissions
 - Shall be limited to four pages. These will not constitute part of the word count.
 - May include client testimonials, official production records, proof of service to association/industry/ society, academic qualifications, proof of activities and improvements.



Nominations

Self-nominations

If you are nominating yourself or your own company, using the criteria for guidance, explain in not more than 1,200 words why you or your company should win the award. Submit your entries by 12 April 2019.

Third-party nominations

If you are nominating another individual or company, submit a 300-word statement summarising why the nominee would be a worthy recipient of the award by 1 April 2019. If the nomination is shortlisted, the Awards Administrators will contact the nominee and invite them to submit a full application.



Judging

- The Judging Panel comprises eminent leaders and insurance professionals from the industry.
- There will be two rounds of judging by the Panel: the first is by remote-scoring to select the finalists; the second will be a meeting of Judges to deliberate and select the winners by secret ballot.
- The Judging Panel's verdict is final.
- The judging process will be audited by an independent auditor.
- The organisers reserve the right to publish information of winning entries given at nomination.
- The results will be kept confidential and winners will only be announced at the Gala Awards Dinner on 18 July 2019 in Bangkok.

For all categories, the qualifying period is 1 Jan 2018 to 31 Dec 2018

Important Note

The organisers reserve the right to disqualify entries that do not meet the entry requirements.

The Categories

Insurance Agent of the Year

For the tied-agent who has demonstrated an outstanding performance track record, expert knowledge, placing the interests of clients first and service to the industry.

Criteria

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- What makes you unique compared to other agents?
- In what ways did you contribute to your company, industry or society?
- Your performance in 2018 MDRT, company awards, industry awards?

Financial Adviser of the Year

For the adviser from a FA firm or bank who has demonstrated an outstanding performance track record, expert knowledge, placing the interests of clients first and service to the industry.

Criteria

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- What makes you unique compared to other advisers?
- In what ways did you contribute to your company, industry or society?
- Your performance in 2018 MDRT, company awards, industry awards?

Rookie Insurance Agent of the Year

For the agent or adviser with fewer than three years of industry experience, who has demonstrated an outstanding performance track record, expert knowledge, placing the interests of clients first and service to the industry.

Criteria

- Provide a brief background on immediate past career and the reasons and motivations in making the switch to the insurance industry.
- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- What makes you unique compared to other advisers or agents?
- In what ways did you contribute to your company, industry or society?
- Your performance in 2018 MDRT, company awards, industry awards?

Insurance Agency Leader of the Year

For the agency leader who has demonstrated a high level of group production and recruitment, strong leadership qualities with systems in place, commitment to professionalism and service to the industry.

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- What makes you unique compared to other agency leaders?
- In what ways did you contribute to your company, industry or society?
- Your performance in 2018 number of managers promoted, number of MDRT producers, number of new agents/advisers, company awards, industry awards?

The Categories

Rookie Insurance Agency Leader of the Year

For the agency leader with fewer than five years of managerial experience, who has demonstrated a high level of agency production and recruitment, strong leadership qualities with systems in place, commitment to professionalism and service to the industry.

Criteria

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- What makes you unique compared to other agents?
- In what ways did you contribute to your company, industry or society?
- Your performance in 2018 MDRT, company awards, industry awards?

Digital Agent/Agency Leader of the Year

For the digitally-savvy agent/agency leader who is leveraging the power of social media and technology to enhance the image of the industry, provide value to clients and consumers-at-large and/or increase productivity.

Criteria

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- What are the examples and results of what you have done on the digital front?
- How has digital initiatives driven your business?
- Your performance in 2018 as an agent/agency leader?

Inspirational Agent/Leader of the Year

For the agent/leader who is an inspiration to others in the industry through achieving personal breakthrough despite the odds, going above and beyond to help others in the industry to attain success, exceeding expectations in serving clients or/and serving the underprivileged in society with passion through CSR.

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- Why do you think or why do others think you are an inspiration?
- What are some of the key initiatives, examples and results of your CSR work?
- What are the odds you overcame to achieve success? How have you selflessly inspired other agents/managers to success or helped your clients?

The Categories

Lifetime Achievement

For the agent/leader who has more than 30 years of service to the industry and has made outstanding long-term contribution to enhancing the professionalism and image of the agency distribution force both company-wide and industry-wide.

Criteria

- How have you contributed towards the quality and professionalism of the agency force by playing key roles in developing agents company-wide and industry-wide?
- How have you championed the industry by continually enhancing the image of the insurance industry and the agency force?
- Are you a consistent high performer who enjoys the respect and admiration of your peers in the industry?

Bank Partner of the Year

For the bank partner that has demonstrated placing importance on the risk or wealth-management needs of their clients and has worked in close partnership with the insurer in meeting these needs.

Criteria

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- What makes your partnership stand out from others?
- What are the examples of key wins achieved as a result of this partnership?
- How did the partnership perform in 2018?

InsurTech of the Year

For the InsurTech start-up or technology provider with the best technology initiative, either point-of-sales system or backend technology, to assist and enable agents in the course of their work.

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- How does the technology you provide help agents or advisers in the course of their work
- How unique or innovative is your initiative?
- What evidence is there to show the improvements in results attained from using your technology?

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The Categories

Young Executive of the Year

For the insurance executive under 40 years of age who has championed the interests and importance of advisers or agents with dedication.

Criteria

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- How have you gone out of your way to enhance the interest and importance of advisers or agency distribution channel in your company and/or industry?
- How have you equipped agents or advisers with the necessary skills and expertise to continue to thrive in the changing multi-channel environment?
- What makes you stand out compared to other young executives?

Executive Champion of the Year

For the CEO or corporate executive who has championed the interests and importance of advisers or agents with dedication.

Criteria

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- How have you gone out of your way to enhance the interests and importance of the advisers or agency distribution channel in your company and/or industry?
- How have you equipped agents or advisers with the necessary skills and expertise to continue to thrive in the changing multi-channel environment?
- What makes you stand out compared to other executives?

Insurance Company of the Year

For the life insurance company that has an agency force that sets the professional standards for other insurers to measure against, and continues to invest in and support its agency force to thrive in the changing multi-channel environment.

- Focus on what was done in 2018.
- How are you helping your agents to enhance their professionalism, expertise and relevance in a multi-channel distribution world?
- What indicators are there to show how your agency force stands out from the rest?

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2018 Roll of Honour



Insurance Agent Of The Year

Ms Amy Wat Chi Mei AIA Hong Kong



Financial Adviser Of The Year

Ms Nguyen Thi Thanh Lich *Manulife Vietnam*



Insurance Agency Leader Of The Year

Mr Tan Lay Seong Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Bhd



Rookie Insurance Agent Of The Year

Ms Selena Wang AIA Hong Kong



Rookie Insurance Agency Leader Of The Year

Ms Agnes Ng Prudential Assurance Company Singapore



Executive Champion Of The Year

Ms Rizalina Mantaring CEO and Country Head, Sun Life Financial Philippines

2018 Roll of Honour



Inspirational Agent/Agency Leader Of The Year

Ms Divya Tusnial Tata AIA Life Insurance, India



Digital Agent/Agency Leader Of The Year

Mr Tay Kah Lok AXA Insurance, Singapore



Lifetime Achievement Award

Ms Antonia Lucrecia Nicdao *Philam Life, Philippines*



Affinity/Bank Partner Of The Year

Citibank, Hong Kong



Insurance Company of the Year For Agents

Cathay Life Insurance, Taiwan



4TH ASIA TRUSTED LIFE AGENTS & ADVISERS AWARDS 2019

Nomination Form

Self-Nomination (by 12 April 2019)	Categories
If you are nominating your own company or yourself:	(please tick):
	☐ Insurance Agent of the Year
Name of company	Financial Adviser of the Year
Your name	Rookie Insurance Agent of the Year
	☐ Insurance Agency Leader of the Year
Designation	Rookie Insurance Agency Leader of the Year
Address.	☐ Inspirational Agent/Leader of the Year
Tel	☐ Digital Agent/Agency Leader of the Year
Email	☐ Lifetime Achievement
Third-party nomination (by 1 April 2019)	☐ Bank Partner of the Year
If nominating another company or individual:	☐ InsurTech of the Year
Name of company	☐ Young Executive of the Year
Individual's name	☐ Insurance Company of the Year
marvidudi 3 name	☐ Executive Champion of the Year
Designation	Entries can be submitted via:
Contact person	email: lifeawards@asiainsurancereview.com or
·	online: www.AsiaAdvisersNetwork.com/awards
Address	Table Bookings:
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Tel	or host a table at this industry networking event, seats and tables are available for booking at US\$200 per person or US\$2,000
Email	per table of 10.
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