

# THE 2020 EXCELLENCE & INNOVATION AWARDS

In order to find the best out-of-the-box thinkers and doers in the business we must learn more about who, what, when and why this person and their initiative deserves an Innovation Award.

The online questionnaire requires answers to 9 questions. It also will prompt you to supply URLs and files to support the nomination. We are also requesting the names and contact details of the internal and external champions of the project. These are the people within your firm and others on the outside that supported the initiative helped push the idea and contributed to the process and successful completion.

## REQUIRED QUESTIONS

The online submission form allows for an unlimited amount of text for each question below.

- Please describe the initiative you are nominating. What did the plan executive accomplish that was innovative or excellent?
- How does it demonstrate innovation or excellence?
- Why did you or the person you are nominating undertake this initiative?
- What internal/external obstacles were encountered and how were they navigated?
- What is the anticipated outcome of the initiative?
- Please define how you measured success and provide supporting data. \*
- How could the initiative you are nominating be useful to other defined contribution plans?
- How could it make a fundamental change to the pensions/retirement industry?
- How long has the project been in process – from initial concept to implementation, if that has occurred?
- On what date was the project rolled out to participants?
- Supply supporting materials - pdf files and/or URLs

## INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CHAMPIONS

- List up to four people inside the pension plan's organization that drove the project and were its champions. (First and last name, job title, firm name, phone and email is requested for each person)
- List up to four people outside the pension plans organization that supported the project and were its champions. (First and last name, job title, firm name, phone and email is requested for each person)

## LINKS AND FILES

- Provide links to any websites, specific web pages and/or emails that you would like the judges to see. Please include user-name and password if necessary.
- Upload any files for the judges to review that support the innovation. (.pdf, .jpg, video, etc)

If you have any questions during the submission process, please contact Ashley Perrucci at [aperrucci@pionline.com](mailto:aperrucci@pionline.com)