**WFCP WORLD CONGRESS 2020**

**TVET Excellence for All**

October 14 – 16, 2020

Donostia-San Sebastián, the Basque Country (Spain)

***World Federation of Colleges and Polytechnics***

***AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE***

*Have the achievement of your college or polytechnic recognized on the world stage. If you have leading practices, then nominate those for the Awards of Excellence of the World Federation of Colleges and Polytechnics (WFCP) to be announced and celebrated at the World Congress in San Sebastián in October 2020. Winners and finalists are promoted through the network of member colleges and polytechnics.*

WFCP is pleased to announce its fourth annual Awards of Excellence, recognizing outstanding contributions from member institutions to achieving the vision of the Federation and celebrating accomplishments in the global colleges and polytechnics sector.

The Awards seek to distinguish WFCP member institutions whose exceptional initiatives are strengthening applied learning and research outcomes. The Awards celebrate remarkable contributions to human resource development and the wider economic development. Awards are now connected to the Federation’s Affinity Groups, and recipients will be awarded for the excelling a range of categories, from entrepreneurship to leadership development.

The WFCP Awards of Excellence will honor and support higher standards in applied education institutions and are an opportunity to showcase and foster best practices in the sector.

***Selection and Eligibility Criteria***

The Awards program is open to WFCP member institutions and colleges and individuals that are part of the WFCP member associations as well as member associations. To be eligible for consideration, nominees should have made a significant and sustained contribution in one of the categories.

***Categories***

The Awards of Excellence are presented in eight categories reflecting core values and strategic objectives of WFCP and its member institutions. Award recipients will be announced at the WFCP’s World Congress.

The 2020 Nominations are now open for the following categories:

* **Access to Learning and Employment** – To be awarded to an individual, institution or institutional association that has developed effective channels to increase access to learning and employment for students.
* **Applied Research** – To be awarded to an individual, institution or institutional association that has demonstrated excellence in addressing real-world challenges through applied research.
* **Entrepreneurship** – To be awarded to an individual, institution or institutional association that has demonstrated excellence in integrating entrepreneurship into academic curriculum and/or implemented innovative entrepreneurial activities.
* **Sustainable Development** – To be awarded to an individual, institution or institutional association that has demonstrated excellence in advancing environmental sustainability through knowledge, tools, practices and technologies.
* **Leadership Development** – To be awarded to an individual, institution or institutional association that has demonstrated excellence in developing the next generation of college leaders.
* **Higher Technical Skills** – To be awarded to an individual, institution or institutional association that has demonstrated excellence in programs accredited as higher education leading to an applied bachelor’s degree and leadership in recognition of the groundbreaking approach to degree-granting in professional and technical education and training.
* **Student Support Services** – To be awarded to an individual, institution or institutional association that has demonstrated excellence provision of services that support students throughout their college experience.
* **Partnership with Industry** – To be awarded to an individual, institution or institutional association that has demonstrated excellence in partnering with industry to improve access to jobs and meet the skills needs of the 21st century workforce.

***Application Procedure***

* Submit your nomination package, including answers to the five questions below;
* The application should include a detailed letter in support of the nomination identifying how the nominee has demonstrated excellence in at least one of the core categories and why the award is deserved;
* Testimonials, formal documents demonstrating the nominee’s contribution and impact;
* WFCP member colleges and associations could nominate candidates for the Awards of Excellence. Members could self-nominate, nominate other members or nominate institutions that belong to college associations that are members of the Federation;
* The nomination package should not exceed six pages in total.

***Send nominations to:***

* The WFCP Secretariat: secretariat@wfcp.org

***Nomination forms (below) must be received by the Secretariat by February 28, 2020***

**World Federation of Colleges and Polytechnics Awards of Excellence**

**NOMINATION FORM**

**How to nominate**

WFCP members should submit a maximum of two nominations. Each nomination must be submitted on a separate form. Incomplete forms may be considered ineligible for assessment.

Send your completed form to:

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| ***World Federation of Colleges and Polytechnics*** ***1 Rideau St. Suite 701, Ottawa (Ontario),*** ***K1N 8S7 CANADA******OR email: secretariat@wfcp.org*** |

**Applications close**

**\*\*February 28, 2020\*\***

**Nominee details**

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| Award category:  |
| Name of the person, college, institute or association |
| Country | Region |
| Contact information |
| First name: | Surname: |
| Nominee’s postal mail address:*(include postcode)* | Nominee’s phone number: |
| Nominee’s email address: |

**Award criteria**

When making your nomination, please provide short statements describing how the nominee meets the following award criteria. Where possible, provide examples to support the statements.

*(Please limit response to space provided)*

1. *Describe the project, institution or individual being nominated*

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1. *Identify how the project, institution or individual’s work demonstrates benefit to higher applied education at the international level*

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1. *Demonstrate evidence of innovation, initiative or obstacles which the nominee may have had to overcome to achieve their outcomes*

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| Address:*(include postal code)* |
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| Relationship to nominee: |  |
| Signature | Date: |

**References from WFCP Members and Beneficiaries**

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| Name of reference 1 (WFCP Member): | Organisation: |
| Address: *(include postal code)* |
| Phone number: | Email address: |
| Name of reference 2 (Beneficiary): | Organisation: |
| Phone number: | Email address: |