



INORMS AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH MANAGEMENT LEADERSHIP 2025

Guidelines for Participating INORMS members.

About INORMS

INORMS brings together research management societies and associations internationally. Its purpose is to enable interactions, share good practice, and coordinate activities between the member societies, to the benefit of their individual membership. Participating INORMS Members are listed in Appendix A.

2025 Awards for Excellence

The INORMS Awards for Excellence in Research Management Leadership have been established to recognise outstanding examples of research management leaders who have made substantial contributions to the research management profession internationally. Award recipients will be announced at a gala dinner at the [2025 INORMS Congress](#)

Eligibility Criteria

Each participating INORMS member is invited to select one (1) awardee from their association who meets the following criteria:

- Be a current financial member of a participating INORMS association (refer to list in Appendix A);
- Provide evidence of how their contributions are congruent with the [objectives of INORMS](#)
- Provide evidence of their **outstanding contributions to the research management profession;** and
- Provide evidence of how they will continue to provide visionary leadership in research management internationally.

Restrictions

Current members of the INORMS Council and Working Group are ineligible for consideration during their term of office. Nominations cannot occur until the candidate has stepped down officially from the INORMS Council or Working Group.

Each participating INORMS member shall be responsible for identifying the most appropriate awardee from their association for the Awards for Excellence in Research Management Leadership. This includes managing the call to their respective membership and establishing fair and equitable procedures to ensure that the assessment criteria are fulfilled.

Application timelines.

Timeline	Activity	Details
January 2024	Launch of Awards Participating INORMS Members to call for nominations and to identify one eligible awardee.	
1 March 2025	Participating INORMS members to submit their nominee (including full title and response to assessment criteria) for endorsement by the INORMS Council. <i>Participating INORMS Member to prepare a powerpoint (ppt) slide. The slide must include an image of the awardee, the association's logo, branding and website.</i>	Email details to INORMS Secretariat: tanya@confpartner.co.za
29 March 2025	INORMS Council to endorse all recommendations.	INORMS Secretariat to advise INORMS2025 organisers and successful candidates of the recommendations.
By 15 April 2025	INORMS Secretariat to provide consolidated ppt slides to INORMS 2025 Congress organisers	
May 2025	Announcement of awardees at INORMS 2025 Gala dinner	
May-June 2025	Announcements to be posted on the INORMS website.	

Appendix A: Participating INORMS Societies

- Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU, UK)
- Association of Research Managers and Administrators (ARMA, UK)
- Association of Research Managers and Administrators – The Netherlands (ARMA-NL, Netherlands)
- Australasian Research Management Society Inc, (ARMS, Australia, NZ, and Singapore)
- Brazilian Association of Research Managers (BRAMA, Brazil)
- Canadian Association of Research Managers and Administrators (CARA, Canada)
- Chinese Association for Science of Science and Science & Technology Policy (CASSSP, China)
- Danish Association of Research Managers and Administrators (DARMA, Denmark)
- European Association of Research Managers and Administrators (EARMA, Europe)
- Finnish Association of Administrative Studies (FINN-ARMA, Finland)
- German Association for Research Managers and Administrators (FORTRAMA, Germany)

- Icelandic Association for Research Managers and Administrators (ICEARMA, Iceland)
- Malaysian Association of Research Managers and Administrators (MyRMA, Malaysia)
- National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA, USA)
- Norwegian Network for Administration and Research Management (NARMA, Norway)
- National Organization of Research Development Professionals (NORDP, USA)
- Philippine Association of Research Managers (PHILARM, Philippines)
- **Praxis Auril** (UK)
- Research Manager and Administrator Network Japan (RMAN-J, Japan)
- Society of Research Administrators International (SRAI, USA)
- Southern African Research & Innovation Management Association (SARIMA, Southern Africa)
- Swedish Association of Research Managers and Administrators (SWARMA, Sweden)
- West African Research and Innovation Management Association (WARIMA, Western Africa)