OGCIO invites Leading Organisers for Hong Kong ICT Awards 2024 and 2025

The Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO) today (January 24) announced that proposals are now invited from non-profit organisations or industry associations to take part as Leading Organisers for the 2024 and 2025 Hong Kong ICT Awards (HKICTA).

Organised by the OGCIO, the HKICTA aims to recognise and promote outstanding information and communications technology (ICT) inventions and applications, thereby encouraging Hong Kong's ICT elites and enterprises to strive for innovation and excellence. Through concerted efforts of the ICT sector, academia and the Government, the HKICTA has always been highly regarded by the information technology industry. Since its debut in 2006, this annual signature event has already presented more than 2 000 awards to recognise outstanding local ICT products and solutions. In addition, HKICTA winners have the opportunity to be nominated for regional and international competitions, with many of them scooped remarkable prizes, including 19 awards in the Asia Pacific Information and Communications Technology Alliance Awards 2023, attaining two awards in the World Information Technology and Services Alliance 2023 Global ICT Excellence Awards, and capturing an award in Maker in China SME Innovation and Entrepreneurship Global Contest 2022. They have showcased the outstanding achievements of Hong Kong's ICT industry.

The HKICTA consists of eight award categories, namely:

- * Digital Entertainment Award
- * FinTech Award
- * ICT Startup Award
- * Smart Business Award
- * Smart Living Award
- * Smart Mobility Award
- * Smart People Award
- * Student Innovation Award

In a bid to foster the innovative use of artificial intelligence (AI), each of the eight categories will establish a new distinguished accolade: the "Best Use of AI" award, magnifying and honouring outstanding achievements in harnessing the power of AI in respective areas.

The OGCIO welcomes applications from all non-profit organisations and industry associations to become Leading Organisers for the coming two rounds of the HKICTA. Leading Organisers are responsible for recruiting and screening entries, promoting the HKICTA through their networks, planning and managing the adjudication process, and holding individual presentation ceremonies for their categories. The selection of Leading Organisers will be conducted through an open and fair process based on established assessment mechanisms and criteria taking into account the effectiveness of the proposals as well as the capability and past performance of the proponents.

The deadline for submission is February 27. Organisations interested in being a Leading Organiser can obtain a set of the application documents (including a Request for Proposal and a Proposal Form) from the website of the OGCIO

(www.ogcio.gov.hk/en/our_work/business/tender_eoi_rfp/open_tender_notice.htm)
. Further details are available on the website of the HKICTA
(www.hkictawards.hk).