



## Policy Impact and Public Engagement Awards 2023: FAQs

### Who can apply?

The guidance specifies who is eligible to apply for each award.

### Who is defined eligible within the 'Rising Star' category?

This category is aimed at early career researchers. In general, anyone who has been working as a researcher for eight years or fewer after gaining their PhD can be considered in this category. However, we recognise many people work part time, or have taken a career break or parental leave, and so may consider themselves to be an early career researcher even if more than eight years have elapsed since their PhD. We are able to make allowances for this and will consider all such questions of eligibility on a case-by-case basis. If you are unsure as to your eligibility, please [contact us](#) before completing your application.

### Can we submit a team application or are individual applications only accepted?

The following awards are open to team applications:

Best Policy Impact Initiative

Best Public Engagement Initiative.

The Rising Star and Institute's Director awards are only open to individual applications.

### The application has only one lead contact name. Does this mean if the application is successful, it will be awarded to the named person only?

If you wish your application to be considered on behalf of a team, please specify this clearly on the form and separately state who the contact person for the application should be.

### Can I submit multiple applications?

Yes, if you are eligible.

### Can I self-nominate?

Yes, if you are eligible.

### Can I resubmit if I was previously unsuccessful?

Yes, you may resubmit this year; however, priority will be given to applications that can show evidence of achievement in the past year.

**Are my supporting documents shared widely?**

No, they are only shared with the reviewers.

**Is it acceptable to include hyperlinks in the application?**

Hyperlinks are allowable within the application, although we cannot guarantee that the reviewers will click into them.

**Can I send multiple documents to support my application?**

You may, but for ease it is advised that you merge all documents into a single PDF. A maximum of two documents can be sent per application. Please send any to the [Institute](#).

**When is the closing date?**

The closing date is 2359 on 28 February 2023.

**When will I find out if I've been shortlisted?**

Shortlisted applicants will be notified by email in early March.

**How will people be awarded?**

There will be an in-person dinner where awards will be announced.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Institute at [theinstitute@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:theinstitute@nottingham.ac.uk)