

Partners in Technology Award

Information Pack

The **Partners in Technology Award** is a prestigious category in the PFM Awards, designed to recognise and celebrate the exceptional partnerships between facilities management (FM) service providers and their clients who excel in using technology for collaboration and innovation. This award highlights the importance of leveraging technology to drive efficiency, innovation, and excellence within the FM sector. Effective technology partnerships are crucial as they enable organisations to implement cutting-edge solutions, enhance operational efficiency, and foster a culture of continuous improvement. By honouring outstanding partnerships, the award encourages the adoption of innovative technology practices, inspiring others to strive for excellence. It also emphasises the critical role of technology in making FM operations more efficient, ethical, and sustainable.

Eligibility

• **Partnership Duration**: The partnership between the organisation and the technology service provider must have been in place for at least one year.

What to Submit

- The Entry Form: Submit digitally through the website.
- **Supporting Submission**: Up to 1,500 words (as a Word document, PDF, or PowerPoint presentation) to support the entry, including a nomination from the client and/or service provider, plus a 250-word summary. The criteria to include are as follows (please demonstrate as much of the following as you can):

Performance and Achievement

- **Efficiency Initiatives**: Demonstrated excellence in implementing practices that improve technology efficiency and reduce costs.
- **Sustainability**: High levels of commitment to sustainable technology practices, supported by initiatives that reduce environmental impact.
- **Ethical Practice**: Evidence of ensuring best practices around ESG and Net Zero within technology operations.

Innovation

- Innovative Solutions: Implementation of innovative technology techniques, technologies, or processes that have improved efficiency or effectiveness.
- **Technology Integration**: Adoption of advanced technologies that enhance operations and management.

Professional Development

- **Training and Development**: Commitment to ongoing training and professional development of staff in technology practices.
- **Certifications**: Relevant certifications or accreditations achieved by the technology team.

Impact and Contribution

- **Operational Impact**: Positive impact on the organisation's operations, supported by measurable outcomes or feedback from clients.
- **Community Engagement**: Participation in community or industry-related activities, demonstrating a commitment to the wider community.

Compliance and Safety

- **Regulatory Compliance**: Adherence to industry regulations and safety standards, ensuring a safe and compliant working environment.
- **Safety Initiatives**: Active involvement in promoting and implementing safety initiatives within the workplace.

Nominations and References

- **Client Nomination**: A nomination from the client, highlighting the achievements and contributions of the technology service provider.
- **References**: Supporting references from colleagues, supervisors, or clients, providing additional insights into the partnership's performance and character.

Next Steps

- **Finalists Announcement**: Finalists will be announced in June, at a date to be confirmed (please keep an eye on the website and our social media).
- **Site Visit**: The judges will be in contact to arrange a site visit at a mutually agreed date and time over the summer. More information is available on the Judging section of pfmawards.co.uk.
- Awards Ceremony: The winner will be announced at the PFM Awards on 5 November 2025. Ideally, all finalists should be present at the Awards. If you are unable to attend, please let us know in advance.

Please note that due to the number of submissions we receive, we are only able to offer feedback on those candidates selected as finalists. If you have any questions, email the PFM Editor at amanda.vlietstra@imlgroup.co.uk