THE BANKER THE BANKER'S TECHNOLOGY AWARDS 2025: **CATEGORIES AND GUIDELINES**

ENTRY CRITERIA

The Banker's Technology Awards recognise the most innovative banks across the world for their digital banking initiatives in multiple categories.

The judges, made up of an external panel, will be looking for digital initatives that demonstrate innovation, utility and transformation.

The size is not important and The Banker welcomes entries from organisations all over the world.

Measurements of success, i.e. metrics, are critical components of any submission.

Any party - for example a bank, consultancy, industry body, professional services organisation or technology provider - that has worked on the initiative may submit an entry.

Only one participant on the digital initiative needs to submit an entry, but the entry must mention if there were other parties involved in the project.

Initiatives must be live within a bank whether retail, commercial, private, wholesale, investment or transaction bank.

Or, if an industry-wide initiative, it must include banks or benefit the banking community.

Information from the winning entries will be included in the awards write-up for the June issue of The Banker.

HOW TO SUBMIT ENTRIES

Entry forms should be completed and submitted by Friday, March 14, 2025.

The completed entry form should be saved, in Word or pdf format, with a file name of Organisation_Category e.g. Bank-Name_Mobile.doc

Multiple entries should be sent on separate entry forms. Please email completed entry forms to: innovationdigitalbanking@ft.com

REGIONAL CATEGORIES

(Overall - global/regional awards):

Global Africa Asia-Pacific Central and Eastern Europe Europe **Latin America** Middle East **North America**

PROJECT CATEGORIES

(Judged on a global basis):

AI and machine learning Bank/fintech partnership Cyber security Financial health Mobile Open banking **Payments** Risk management **Transformation Project**

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The entry period for the digital initiative runs from June 2024 to March 2025. Initiatives must have been implemented and/or completed between these dates. The final phase of a multi-phase, multi-year project may be entered, provided it has been completed between June 2024 to March 2025.

Organisations may only submit one entry form per category - please adhere to the form's format. A single initiative may NOT be submitted in multiple categories. An organisation entering more than one category (with different projects) will need to submit separate entry forms. Judges may move an entry to another award category, if appropriate.

Entrants may include graphics in the entry form and may also send additional, relevant information. Anything too lengthy, however, will be ignored and exceeding the word limit is strongly discouraged. Succinct and relevant entries will be more effective.

The judges will be looking for entries that clearly demonstrate innovation, utility and transformation.