

Biomass North Forum 2018
Mapping Canada's Bioeconomy: Drivers, Roadblocks and Bridges

October 16-18, 2018
Thunder Bay, Ontario

Awards Gala

Nomination Package

For: _____
(insert nominee)



Biomass North Development Centre

(Please note this package is a digitally fillable .pdf, and includes the Guidelines for Submitting Applications as well as Award Categories and Descriptions)

Awards Gala 2018

As part of **Biomass North Forum 2018**, our **3rd annual Awards Gala** takes place the evening of **October 17th at the Valhalla Inn and Suites in Thunder Bay, Ontario**. Here we will recognize and congratulate leaders in Canada's bioeconomy for their hard-earned achievements in the field.

Please complete the following Nomination Package to officially nominate a bioeconomy leader deserving of recognition for their achievements.

Guidelines for Submitting Applications

Can I self-nominate for an award? **YES** you can self-nominate for one or more awards.

Who can be nominated? Any organization or individual that has a project or initiative located in Canada and has demonstrated benefits to the Canadian bioeconomy.

What criteria makes nominees eligible? Nominations must be for organizations, projects and/or individuals that incorporate any of the following qualifications:

- Supporting bioeconomy development
- Sustainability through a triple bottom line framework
- Community, regional, industry or sector leadership
- Demonstrating meaningful partnerships
- Climate action and mitigation
- Innovation in the sector

When is the deadline to submit a nomination? Nominations must be received no later than **Friday, September 14th at 11:59pm EST**.

How can I make a nomination submission? Complete this Nomination Package and submit by email to bndc2018@biomassnorth.org

What else?

- **Nominees may be nominated for more than one award.** If you are nominating a single nominee for two (2) or more awards, please select the appropriate boxes in the form below. **Only one form/submission is required for a single nominee.**
- **You may nominate more than one nominee.** You are required to submit an additional form if nominating more than one nominee (ie. **One nominee per form**).
- The decisions of the selection committee are final and are not subject to review
- **Shortlisted nominees will be required to attend the Awards Gala on October 17th.**
A deputy may be appointed if attendance is not possible.
- **Award winners will be reimbursed a single Awards Gala entry fee (\$150 + HST) after the event**

Award Categories and Descriptions

This year there are 8 awards to be distributed under the following Award Categories.

Community Leadership in the Bioeconomy

This award celebrates a Canadian **municipality, First Nation, economic development commission, community-focused organization or regional partnership** whose biomass initiative has made an outstanding contribution to community and/or regional needs through significant change, demonstrated leadership, meaningful partnerships, and has the potential to be replicated elsewhere.

Indigenous Leadership in the Bioeconomy

This award celebrates a Canadian **First Nation community, Indigenous-led economic development commission or Indigenous-focused organization** whose biomass initiative has made an outstanding contribution to community and/or regional needs through significant change, demonstrated leadership, meaningful partnerships, and has the potential to be replicated elsewhere.

Government Leadership in the Bioeconomy

This award celebrates a **Provincial or Federal Government ministry, agency, branch or initiative** in Canada that shows progressive and meaningful leadership in bioeconomy development.

Industry Leadership in the Bioeconomy

This award celebrates a **private sector business or non-profit/non-governmental organization** in Canada that has demonstrated leadership through their biomass-related products, services and/or operations.

Champion in the Bioeconomy

This award celebrates an **individual** in Canada that has made a meaningful contribution to bioeconomy development and leadership in their community, region, business/organization or for the sector at large.

International Leadership in the Bioeconomy

This award celebrates an **international business or organization** that has made a significant contribution to Canada's bioeconomy through meaningful partnerships, knowledge transfer, export opportunities and/or investment into Canada.

Research and Innovation in the Bioeconomy

This award celebrates an **academic institution, researcher, organization or business** in Canada that has made a significant contribution to biomass-related research, innovation, knowledge transfer and/or product development.

Innovative Project in the Bioeconomy

This award celebrates a **project** in Canada that demonstrates biomass innovation, sector leadership, practices sustainability, and has the potential to be replicated in other regions.

Nominee Information

1. Complete the following section with information about the **nominee**.

Nominating: Organization Individual

Is this a self-nomination? Yes No

Organization: _____

Name of Recipient: _____

Title of Recipient: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

2. Select the appropriate award category or categories for your nomination:

Community Leadership in the Bioeconomy

Indigenous Leadership in the Bioeconomy

Government Leadership in the Bioeconomy

Industry Leadership in the Bioeconomy

Champion in the Bioeconomy

International Leadership in the Bioeconomy

Research and Innovation in the Bioeconomy

Innovative Project in the Bioeconomy

3. Provide a summary of reasons for your nomination, including but not limited to the following.

- Description/highlights of project or organization
- Impacts on the sector, community, region, economy, environment, etc.
- Collaborations or partnership with industry, community, government or academia stakeholders
- Challenges overcome
- Links/reference to news or media releases
- **Please include attachments where supportive**

Nominator Information

Complete the following section with information about **yourself as nominator**.

Name: _____
Organization: _____
Title: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Email: _____
Telephone: _____

Submit Your Nomination

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