

# The WorldECR Awards 2021

The WorldECR Awards recognise outstanding work, vision, best practice, commercial benefit to the company, and contribution to international security, of organisations and individuals working in the fields of export control and sanctions compliance and non-proliferation.

WorldECR is pleased to invite nominations for the 2021 Awards. Nominations should be sent to [Awards@WorldECR.com](mailto:Awards@WorldECR.com), to reach us by Friday 13 August 2021. Winners will be announced in October 2021.

Nominations – which can include self-nominations and need not be limited to one individual per organisation, and which are open to previous award winners – should be attached to your email and should include:

- Your name, position and contact details (email and phone)
- Name of the Award you are submitting for
- Name of individual/organisation you are nominating
- An explanation (up to 1,500 words) as to why your nominee deserves recognition in this Award category.  
(See categories below as to what the judges will be looking for; Please mark information as 'Confidential' where appropriate.)

## The Award categories are:

- 1) EXPORT CONTROLS COMPLIANCE TEAM OF THE YEAR – SMALLER TEAM (1-5 members)**
- 2) EXPORT CONTROLS COMPLIANCE TEAM OF THE YEAR – MID-SIZED TEAM (6-15 members)**
- 3) EXPORT CONTROLS COMPLIANCE TEAM OF THE YEAR – LARGER TEAM (16+ members)**

For these awards, judges will look for outstanding performance on behalf of the company, excellence and innovation in the use of the team's own resources, introduction and/or implementation of best practice in export control, and a positive contribution to international security. Teams may be operating from a single or multiple locations.

- 4) EXPORT CONTROLS LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR – USA\*\***
- 5) EXPORT CONTROLS LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR – EUROPE\***

These awards recognise the law firm export controls team providing innovative work and valuable advice and representation to its client(s), assisting the function in its compliance efforts, and enhancing the function's commercial contribution to its organisation. Judges welcome submissions highlighting an example taken from a variety of work, including advice on particular transactions, investigations and disputes as well as on regulatory issues.

- 6) SANCTIONS LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR – USA\*\***
- 7) SANCTIONS LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR – EUROPE\***

These awards will be given to the team that can demonstrate it provided the most impressive advice/representation on a specific sanctions matter, or was instrumental in helping its client(s) through the fast-changing international regulatory sanctions challenges of the past year. The winning firm will be able to demonstrate clearly the direct and positive effect and benefits to the client(s) of its advice.

- 8) EXPORT CONTROLS/SANCTIONS LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR – REST OF THE WORLD\*\*\***

This award will be given to the firm that can demonstrate it provided the most valuable advice/representation on sanctions or export control matters, adding real and clear benefit to the business of its client.

- 9) CONSULTANT OF THE YEAR**

This award highlights the non-law firm export controls consultant or consultancy that has made the greatest contribution to its clients' success in achieving export controls compliance, developing processes to future-proof systems and processes for its clients, and enhancing the export control function's commercial contribution to its organisation.

- 10) PRACTITIONER OF THE YEAR**

This award recognises truly exceptional individual contributions to the development and implementation of good practice in export controls and/or sanctions. The winner will have shown vision and either (1) great management skills and the ability to place their function in a position to deliver both commercial success to the organisation and greater security to the wider world and/or (2) to have pioneered new methods and/or thinking so as to significantly enhance the value of export controls and/or sanctions to the global community.

- II) YOUNG PRACTITIONER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

This award is open to export controls compliance and/or sanctions professionals in industry, legal private practice, consulting firms or government/regulatory bodies or NGOs. It recognises exceptional achievement on the part of an individual of 35 years of age or under.

\* Europe Awards are also open to Europe-located offices / subsidiaries of non-European organisations

\*\* USA Awards are also open to US-located offices/subsidiaries of non-US organisations

\*\*\* Rest of the world Awards are also open to US and European subsidiaries located in Africa, Asia, Australasia and Central & South America

Nominations will be short-listed by Tom Blass, Editor, *WorldECR*, Katherine Peavy, Editor, *Export Compliance Manager*, and Mark Cusick, Publisher, *WorldECR*.

Winners will be selected by our panel of Judges:

Aleksi Pursiainen, Consultant, Solid Plan Consulting; Ameeta Duggal, Partner, DGS Associates; Bert Gevers, Local Partner, Loyens & Loeff; Donald Pearce, Consultant, Sentinel LLC; John Pisa-Relli, Managing Director, Global Trade Compliance, Accenture; Kevin Cuddy, Government & Regulatory Affairs Executive, Export Regulation Office, IBM; Melissa Duffy, Partner, Dechert; Nora Bartos, Chief Export Control Officer Pharma, F. Hoffmann-La Roche; Ryan Fayhee, Partner, Hughes Hubbard & Reed.

Please note: judges will not be involved in the judging of awards for which they or their organisation have been shortlisted.

All questions regarding these awards should be directed to [awards@worlddec.com](mailto:awards@worlddec.com)

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