Industry Innovation Impact

POSHA AWards 2024 Islamabad





About Us

Pakistan IT Industry Association (P@SHA) is the trade association representing Pakistan's IT & ITES sector. It was registered in 1992 which also makes it one of the oldest ICT associations in the region. P@SHA is the only Pakistani entity globally registered with & recognized by institutions such as the World Information Technology and Services Alliance (WITSA), ASOCIO (Asian Oceanic Computing Industry Organization), and APICTA (Asia Pacific ICT Alliance). With over 1,600 member companies nationwide, P@SHA has been the voice of the industry, advocating policy initiatives and working towards creating a high growth sustainable business environment in the country.

Now in its 20th edition, the annual P@SHA ICT Awards aim to provide recognition to the software and service companies and students of Pakistan by providing them an opportunity to gain local, regional and international exposure through on-going promotional activities. The P@SHA ICT Awards honors companies at the cutting edge of technology innovation. The awards recognize the achievements of home-grown Pakistani innovators hence, acknowledging creativity, innovation and excellence in Pakistan's Information and Communications Technologies sector.

Why HBL P@SHA ICT Awards?

National Recognition

Stand out in academic and professional circles by winning or even being nominated for the prestigious award.

Represent Pakistan at APICTA Awards

Gain access to global avenues, Investors, Delegates and represent Pakistan at APICTA Awards in Brunei this year with 17 other countries.

S Subscriptions

Get access to discounted subscriptions from our partners for winners which include LinkedIn Premium, Microsoft, and AWS.

Global Recognition

Position your company on the global stage with recognition from an internationally acknowledged award.

Networking

Meet and interact with industry leaders directly.

Exposure to Latest Trends

Get ahead of other by engaging in latest trends and stay updated in your related field.

Collaborate with HBL

Use advanced technology platform from HBL for P@SHA ICT Awards winners, data and its extensive reach.

Funding & Grants

Get access to investments, grants, or funding opportunities for your projects

Mentorship

Get direct mentorship opportunities from industry experts for your applications.

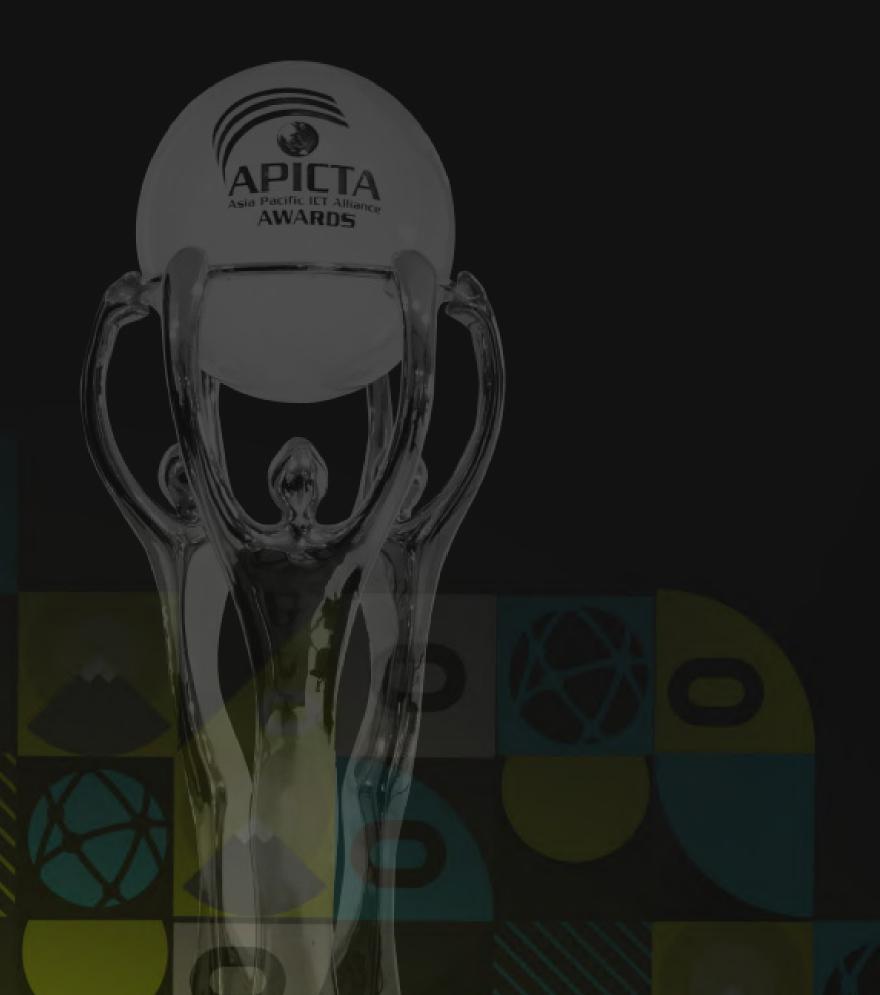
BEYOND BORDERS

International Recognition & Nomination

Asia Pacific ICT Alliance (APICTA) is an association of 17 countries in the region who form a cooperative network to promote technology, innovation, and the development of indigenous ICT solutions for the global market via an annual awards program. HBL P@SHA ICT Awards are the sole authorized gateway to compete in APICTA Awards which are held internationally in each member country.



Accolades from Past Year at APICTA Awards 2023 in Hong Kong















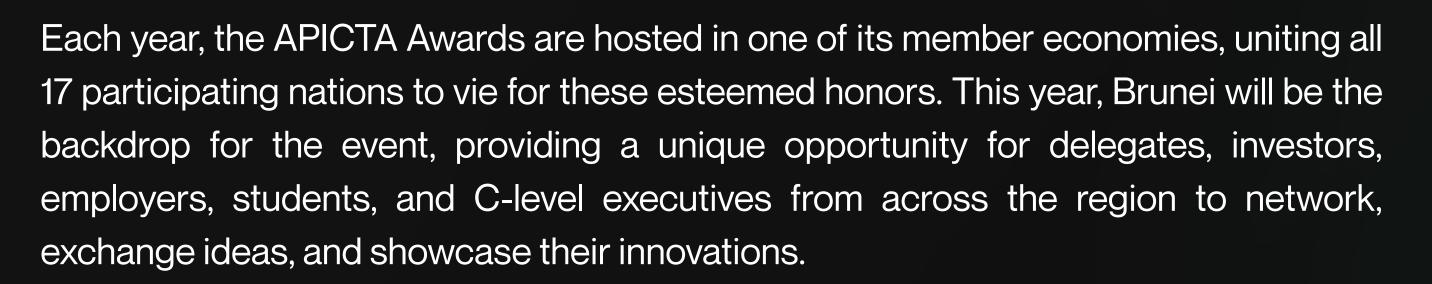




APICTA Awards 2024

Road to Brunei





APICTA Awards

December2024





Applications

July - Mid August 2024





Judging

August 2024

ICT Awards 2023

Record Breaking Highlights





















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APPLICANTS

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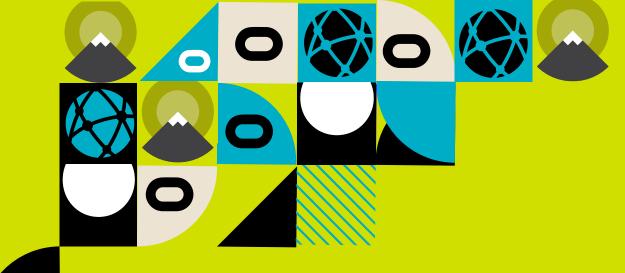
JUDGES

34

WINNER (GOLD)
AWARDS

40

MERIT (RUNNER-UP) AWARDS

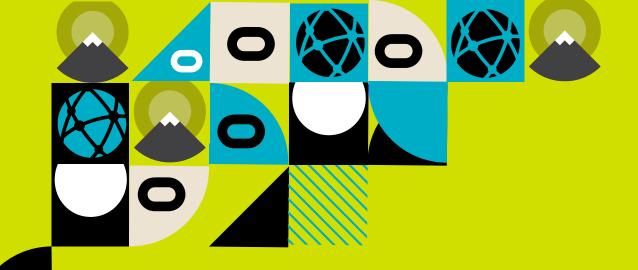


What we've got in store for you this year

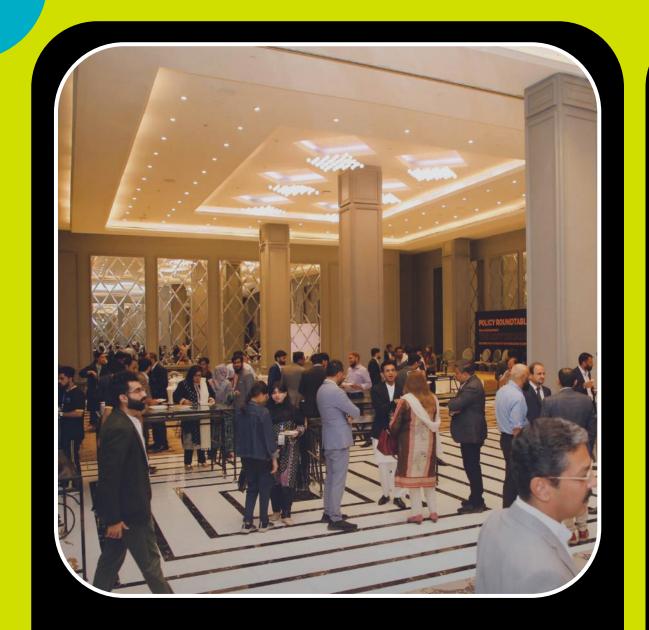








What we've got in store for you this year



Networking Lounge



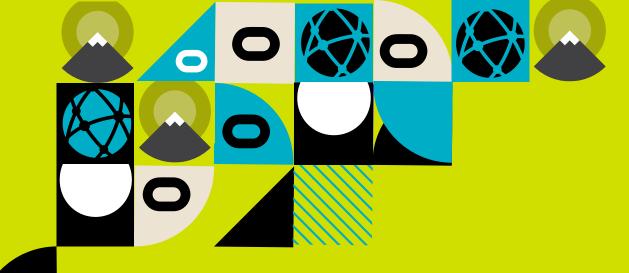
Podcasting Arena



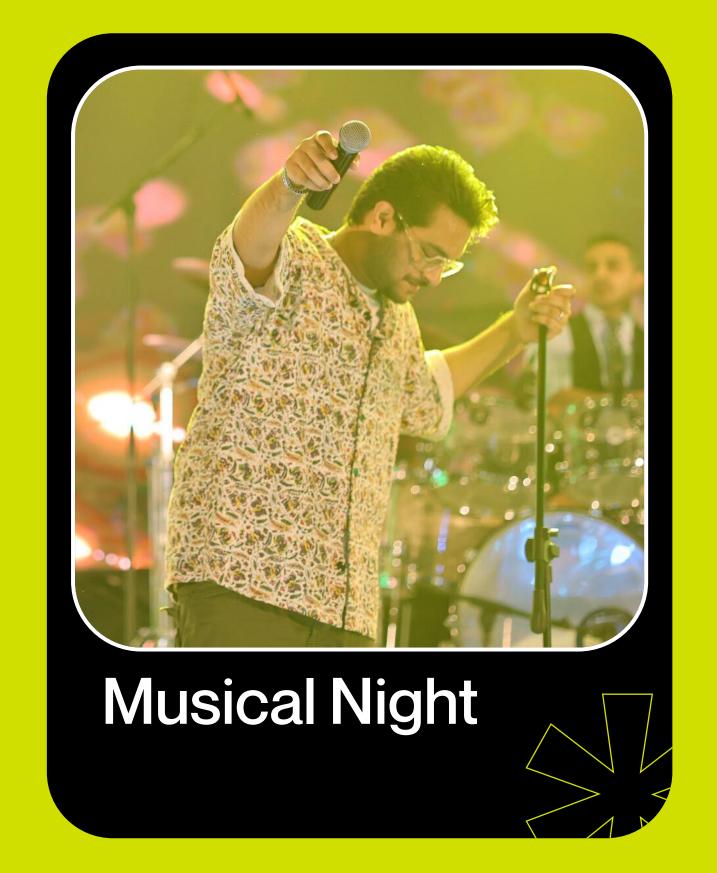
Product Showcasing Pavilions



CXO Mentorship Sessions



What we've got in store for you this year









Companies Criteria & Categories

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Industry Innovation Impact

Content

Categories

- * CONSUMER
- * INCLUSION & COMMUNITY SERVICES
- * INDUSTRIAL
- * BUSINESS SERVICES
- * PUBLIC SECTOR
- * SERVICES
- * GAME OF THE YEAR
- * TECHNOLOGY
- * CROSS CATEGORIES

Judging Criteria

- * CONSUMER
- * INCLUSION & COMMUNITY SERVICES
- * INDUSTRIAL
- * BUSINESS SERVICES
- * PUBLIC SECTOR
- * CSR
- * GENDER DIVERSITY
- * EXPORT GROWTH

- * TOP EXPORTER
- * BEST IN BPO
- * GAME OF THE YEAR
- * STARTUP
- * RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT
- * BIG DATA ANALYTICS
- * ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
- * INTERNET OF THINGS





Media & Entertainment



Digital Marketing & Advertising



Marketplaces



Banking Insurance & Finance



Real Estate



Retail & Distribution

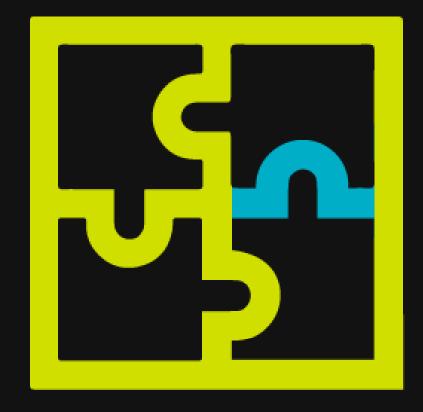


Tourism & Hospitality

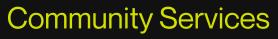
Consumer

Head Category

For projects, products and services that target or empower consumer choice or engagement across all markets.





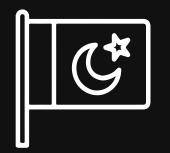




Health & Wellbeing



Regional, Rural & Remote services



Indigenous Services



Education

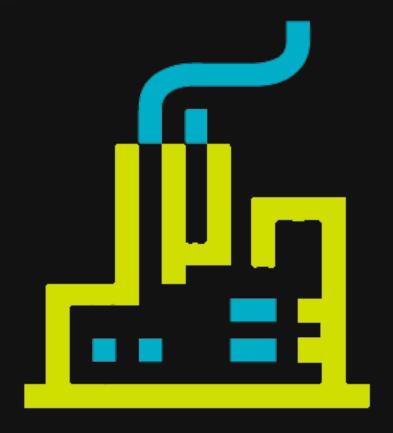


Sustainability & Environment

Inclusion & Community Services

Head Category

For projects, products and services that target niche markets in order to break down the barriers that prevent some members of the community from fully participating in (and contributing to) society.











Manufacturing

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Sustainability & Environment

Supply Chain Logistics







Resources, Energy & Utilities



Transport

Industrial

Head Category

For solutions that deliver automation through the integration of systems, technologies and processes in the commodities sector.











Security Solutions







Marketing Solutions

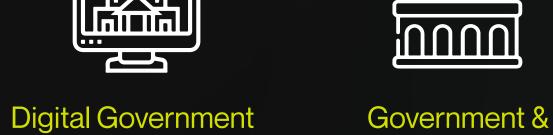
Business Services

Head Category

For solutions that drive and deliver business solutions with high levels of productivity and competitiveness. These may be solutions that deliver cross industry functions.





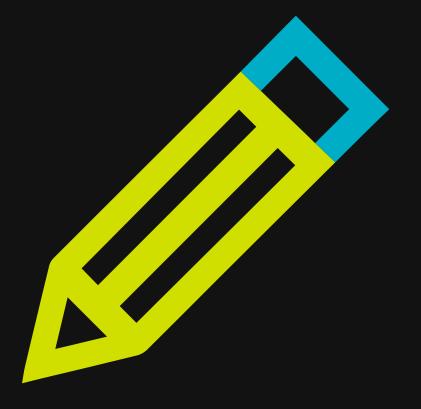


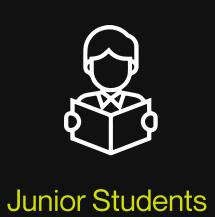
Citizen Services

Public Sector

Head Category

For services that deliver the digitization and improvement of citizen services and to improve efficiencies in the machinery of government.









Student

Head Category

For the most outstanding digital projects by a student or a group of students who are studying up to grade 9 (Junior), are in their last three years of secondary education (Senior), or are pursuing their undergraduate degree (Tertiary).









Top Exporter Best in BPO





Gender Diversity

Export Growth

Services

Head Category

For organizations that rise above the unique challenges faced by Pakistan's tech industry to demonstrate excellence in human resource management practices, exports, business process outsourcing, and social responsibility.



Game of The Year

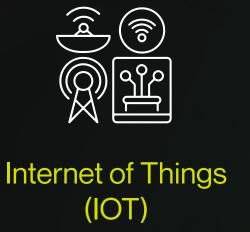
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Game of the Year Award highlights and celebrates high-tech & innovative game development in Pakistan with the most successful releases.





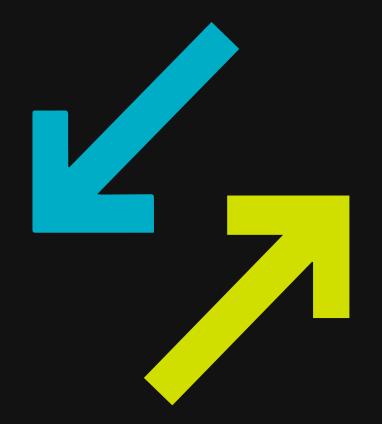




Technology

Optional Category

For solutions which utilize large volumes of data for strategic analysis & better decisions (Big Data Analytics); or address central problems or goals of Artificial Intelligence to perform planning, learning, natural language processing (communication), perception and object movement & manipulation (AI); or new methods to enable businesses, governments, and consumers to connect to their Internet-enabled devices, sensor technology and smart technology (IoT).









Startup

Cross Category

Optional Category

For outstanding innovation by a company in the start-up phase of development or research & development conducted by academic, non-academic institutions, or individuals to create innovative products, processes, and services.



Consumer

Head Category

For projects, products and services that target or empower consumer choice or engagement across all markets.

JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Uniqueness	25%	Technology and Innovation Trend Setting, creativity	60% 40%
Market Potential	25%	Market Share & Potential Business and Financial Model / Strategy	60% 40%
Functionalities and Features	25%	User Requirements Compatibility and Interoperability	50% 50%
Quality & Application of Technology	25%	Content & Standard Product Stability & Reliability	60% 40%

Inclusion & Community Services

Head Category



JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Uniqueness	25%	Technology and Innovation Trend Setting, creativity	40% 60%
Value to Community & Society	30%	Accessibility & Reach Social Integration & Impact on Quality of Life	50% 50%
Functionalities and Features	25%	User Requirements Compatibility and Interoperability	50% 50%
Quality & Application of Technology	20%	Content & Standard Product Stability & Reliability	60% 40%

Services | Gender Diversity

Head Category | Sub-Category



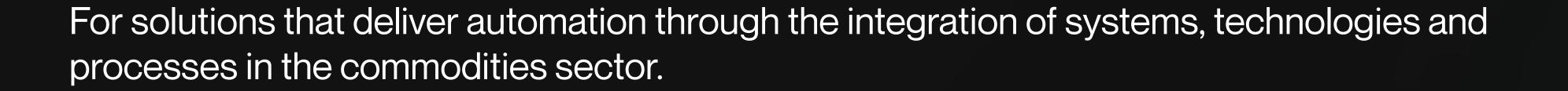


For local IT organizations tackling the dual problems of limited women in STEM and Pakistan's low female workforce participation by promoting gender equity and gender diversity within their team.

JUDGING CRITERIA	ATTRIBUTES
Gender Diversity	Gender diversity in employee numbers relative to the size of the company as calculated mathematically via a stated formula
Learning & Development	Training and learning opportunities to encourage equal participation and upskilling amongst male & female employees
Mentorship & Growth	Promotions and opportunities for career advancement Encouragement of female employees to join management tracks
Proactive Recruitment	Programs and initiatives to attract and a diverse workforce Demonstrable increase in employee gender diversity over past few years

Industrial

Head Category



JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Uniqueness	30%	Technology and Innovation Trend Setting, creativity	60% 40%
Market Potential	20%	Market Share & Potential Business and Financial Model / Strategy	60% 40%
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Business Services

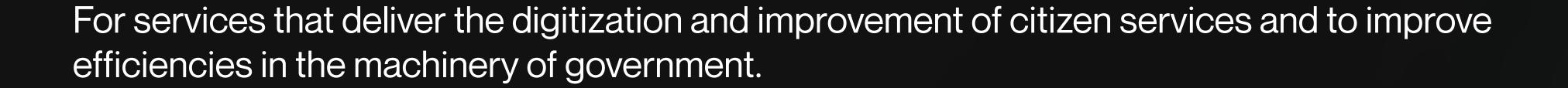
Head Category

For solutions that drive and deliver business solutions with high levels of productivity and competitiveness. These may be solutions that deliver cross industry functions.

JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Uniqueness	25%	Technology and Innovation Trend Setting, creativity	60% 40%
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Public Sector

Head Category



JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Uniqueness	25%	Technology and Innovation Trend Setting, creativity	60% 40%
Value to Public / Government	30%	Accessibility & Reach Transparency & Impact on Quality of Life	50% 50%
Functionalities and Features	25%	User Requirements Compatibility and Interoperability	50% 50%
Quality & Application of Technology	20%	Content & Standard Product Stability & Reliability	60% 40%

Services | Social Responsibility

Head Category | Sub-Category





For local IT organizations that give back to the community as they grow, cognizant of their potential to positively impact and uplift Pakistan not just economically but also socially.

JUDGING CRITERIA	ATTRIBUTES
Impact	Demonstrable positive impact on a particulare segment of society through one or more CSR initiatives in the past 24 months.
Productivity	Staff & financial turnover versus existing or competing businesses
Financial Health	Cash flow efficiency (how many times/year money rolls)
Business Stakeholder Satisfaction	Internal Satisfaction (staff) External Satisfaction (clients)

Services | Export Growth, Top Exporter





Head Category | Sub-Category

For Product or Service organizations that have built a name for Pakistan's IT and technology beyond borders by demonstrating strong growth in IT exports.



JUDGING CRITERIA	ATTRIBUTES
Export Focus	Significant component of exports as part of their sales mix
Financial Health	Documented positive financial growth for a minimum of past 3 years Documented financial growth for the current year (from October 31st) higher than previous years
Growth	Demonstrated notable year-on-year growth

Services | Best in BPO

Head Category | Sub-Category

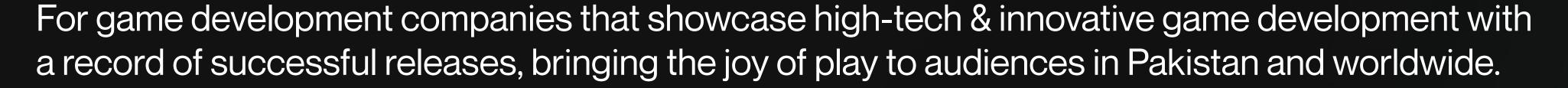


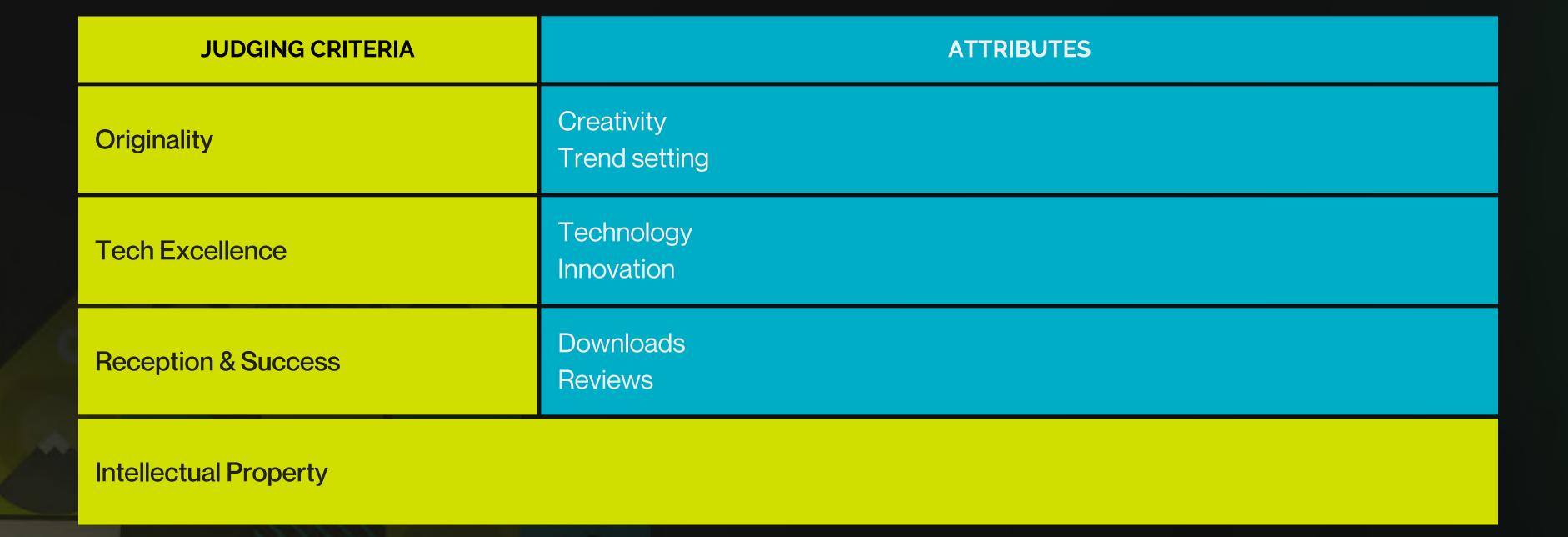
For BPO organizations that show it is possible to scale & grow in the BPO space despite the challenges faced by services companies in Pakistan, target a unique market niche, or pioneer best practices and expand the BPO market for others to follow.

JUDGING CRITERIA	ATTRIBUTES
Uniqueness	Trend setting
Expertise	Process expertise Technology expertise
Customer Satisfaction	Customer satisfaction Innovative customer service
Business Impact	Impact on efficiency of the client

Game of The Year

Head Category







Technology | Big Data Analytics





For solutions which utilize large volumes of data to result in strategic analysis and better decisions. This may include advanced data analytics and unique algorithms.

JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Security	30%	Solution architecture and/or platform design Compliance / adherence to security standards	60% 40%
Creativity	30%	Process of Data Mining, Algorithm Used and Results Management Elements of Predictive & Prescriptive Analytics	50% 50%
Scale	20%	Proof of how solution will scale and adopt to business needs Seamless Data & Process Integration	50% 50%
Openness Integra bility	20%	Demonstrate compliance to industry standards Integration of third party solutions to enhance and/or monitor	60% 40%

Technology | Artificial Intelligence





For solutions which address central problems or goals of AI research to perform planning, learning, natural language processing (communication), perception and object movement & manipulation.

JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Security	30%	Solution architecture and/or platform design Compliance / adherence to security standards	60% 40%
Creativity	30%	Solving or enhancing processes, capabilities and efficiencies Methodologies used in producing results, self learning	50% 50%
Scale	20%	Proof of how solution will scale Ease of deployment and productivity & Integration for business use	50% 50%
Openn ess Integrability	20%	Demonstrate compliance to industry standards Integration of third party solutions to enhance and/or monitor	60% 40%

Technology | Internet of Things





For solutions which utilize the inter-connectedness of physical devices to extract data or create new information for efficiencies, accuracy, economic benefit and/or reduced human intervention.

JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Security	30%	Solution architecture and/or platform design Compliance / adherence to security standards	60% 40%
Creativity	30%	Purpose & Ease of Use Area of deployment for efficiencies and advantage points	50% 50%
Scale	20%	Proof of how solution will scale Ease of deployment and productivity & Integration for business use	50% 50%
Openness Integrability	20%	Demonstrate compliance to industry standards Integration of third party solutions to enhance and/or monitor	60% 40%

Cross | Start Up

For outstanding innovation by a start-up phase company. The company will have an innovative & potentially superior ICT solution but itself be still considered at the early stage of inception.

JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Business Model & Financials	25%	Funding Scalability of operations	60% 40%
Client Reach	20%	Quality / type of clients Satisfaction	60% 40%
Execution – Team Composition - Implementation	25%	Scalability of Operation Team Composition	50% 50%
Investment Viability	30%	Quality of Customer Base Market Share / Potential	60% 40%
Unique Selling Proposition	25%	Market Entry Barrier / IPR Compet itive Advantage & Differentiation	50% 50%

Cross | Research & Development



For ICT research & development conducted by academic, non-academic institutions, or individuals to create innovative products, processes, and services that is not yet marketed or completed.

JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Uniqueness	30%	Technology and Innovation Trend Setting, creativity	60% 40%
Proof of Concept	30%	Commercial Potential Pilot Trial	50% 50%
Functionalities and Features	20%	User Requirements Compatibility and Interoperability	50% 50%
Quality	20%	Content & Standards Product Stability & Reliability	60% 40%

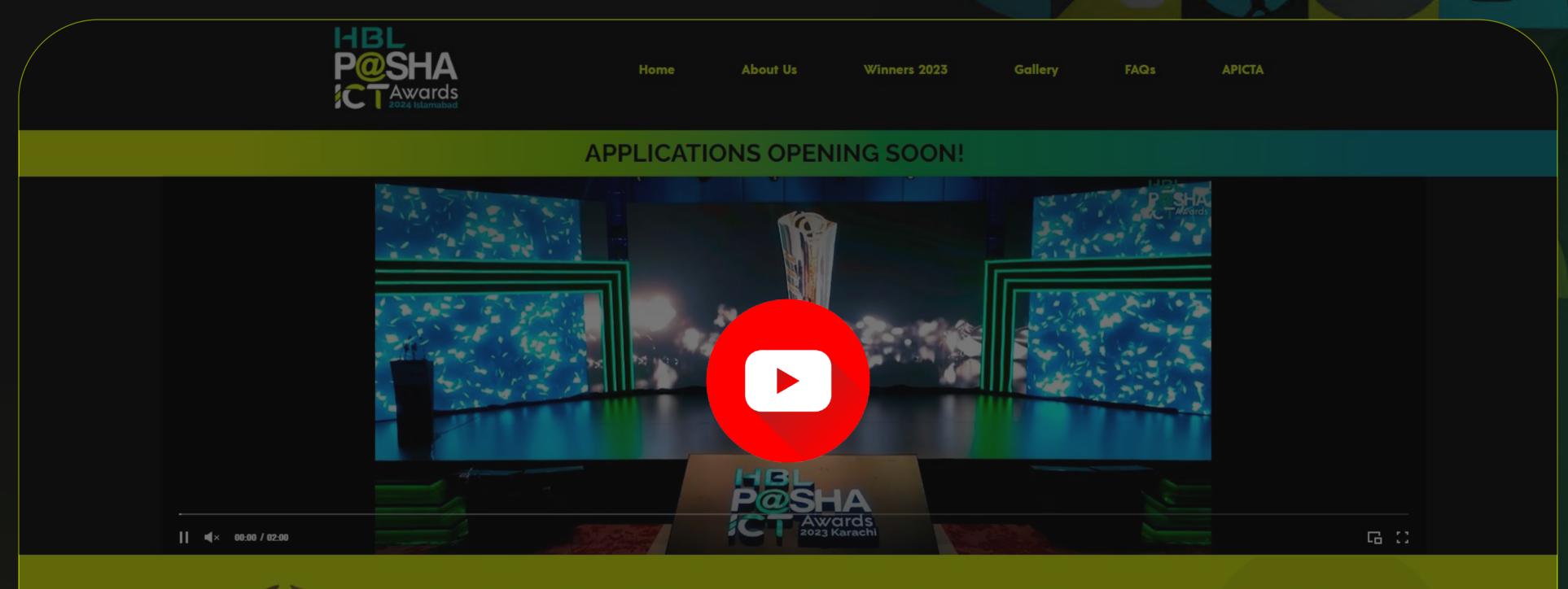
Student

Head Category

For the most outstanding digital projects by a student or a group of students who are studying up to grade 9 (Junior), are in their last three years of secondary education (Senior), or are pursuing their undergraduate degree (Tertiary).

JUDGING CRITERIA	WEIGHTAGE	ATTRIBUTES	WEIGHTAGE
Uniqueness	15%	Application of Technologies Innovation	50% 50%
Proof of Concept	15%	Understanding of the Problem to be Solved Understanding of Business Environment	50% 50%
Functionalities and Features	15%	User Requirements Compatibility and Interoperability	50% 50%
Quality	30%	Content & Standards Product Stability & Reliability	60% 40%
Presentation	25%	Organization of Presentation Enquiries	50% 50%

How to Apply!





Industry, Innovation, Impact.

Do you have what it takes to compete with the best of the best - and win? Test your mettle in a battle of innovation through Pakistan's most credible and sole internationally recognized IT Awards!

Become part of the movement to celebrate innovation, promote #MakeinPakistan, and recognize the



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