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2019 Environmental Professional of the Year Award Opens for Nominations

The custodians of the Chartered Environmentalist and Registered Environmental Technician professional registrations, the Society for the Environment, are delighted to launch the 2019 Environmental Professional of the Year Award nominations process.

The prestigious Environmental Professional of the Year award recognises the outstanding work of Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv) and Registered Environmental Technician (REnvTech) registrants. The Award showcases the achievements of those striving to protect and enhance the environment on a daily basis and attracts a diverse range of outstanding nominations each year from across sectors and continents.

The award is open to CEnv and REnvTech registrants only, and submissions are accepted for both self-nominations and nominations for your peers, colleagues or those that inspire you. Multiple nominations from one person are accepted and you are not required to be a CEnv or REnvTech in order to submit a nomination.

To be in with a chance of showcasing your environmental work or the work of your peers, the Society encourages you to apply using the link below by the deadline of **12:00 BST on Wednesday 1st May 2019**.

[Submit a Nomination](#)

Previous winners include David Stubbs CEnv, registered via the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM), Martin Bigg CEnv, registered via IEMA, and the 2018 winner, Graham Powell CEnv, registered via the Institute of Water.

Immediately after the 2018 presentation, Graham expressed that he was “delighted to receive the honour” and was “in shock” when his name was announced.

Now that the news has had time to sink in, Graham gives his insight into what it meant to win the 2018 Environmental Professional of the Year award:

“The 2018 award was a personal goal of mine after achieving runner up in the previous year, and I was in disbelief for the rest of the evening, and beyond! It is a proud moment for me – to be independently judged and recognised to be making a positive difference in an area of my job that I really care about is just a great feeling.

I’d encourage those who are thinking of nominating their peers or themselves to go for it. To have the opportunity to be considered for such awards is a great benefit of professional registration and membership. CEnv and REnvTech registration alone allows you to showcase your knowledge and

experience – an award like this is a wonderful added bonus. It also provides a platform to raise the profile the positive environmental work in your sector and by the members of your professional body to a wider audience.”

For further encouragement, Graham concludes:

“The award could provide you with that little bit extra to be better placed for your career progression – it’s well worth a shot! Plus, the annual Awards and Lectures itself is a great opportunity to network with your peers, past and present, and I will be there again in 2019 to do just that.”

To find out more about the 2018 award and the reaction, please [click here](#).

The 2019 award will be presented at the annual [World Environment Day Awards and Lectures](#) – “A Spotlight on Net Gain”, taking place at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew on the 4th June 2019. Registration to attend this event is now open at socenv.org.uk/event/WED2019 and is FREE for CEnv and REnvTech registrants.

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About the Society for the Environment

The Society for the Environment (SocEnv) is comprised of 25 Licenced Bodies, with over 500,000 members between them. It received a Royal Charter in 2004, which empowers it to regulate the Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv) and Registered Environmental Technician (REnvTech) professional registrations globally. There are now over 7,000 environmental professionals currently registered who share a common vision of delivering sustainability through environmental professionalism. www.socenv.org.uk

About Graham Powell CEnv, winner of the 2018 Award:

Graham is the CHP Manager at Anglian Water and a member of the Institute of Water.

Graham has led and mentored projects aimed at issues to promote the fundamentals of; Reduce, Refurbish, Re-use, and Innovation to create awareness and culture change. Amongst other achievements, he has developed a strategy to improve CHP efficiency, which is a UK first strategy. This now forms part of the company’s renewable energy investment strategy and results will be shared across the industry.

The 25 Licensed Bodies of the Society for the Environment are:

Arboricultural Association (AA)
Chartered Association of Building Engineers (CABE)
Chartered Institute of Architectural Technologists (CIAT)
Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM)
Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB)
Chartered Institution of Wastes Management (CIWM)
Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM)
Energy Institute (EI)
Institute of Agricultural Management (IAgrM)
Institute of Chartered Foresters (ICF)
Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA)
Institute of Fisheries Management (IFM)
Institute of Materials, Minerals & Mining (IOM3)
Institute of Water (IWater)
Institution of Agricultural Engineers (IAgrE)
Institution of Chemical Engineers (ICHEM)
Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE)
Institution of Engineering Designers (IED)
Institution of Environmental Sciences (IES)
Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMECHE)
Nuclear Institute (NI)
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Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC)
Society of Environmental Engineers (SEE)
Society of Operations Engineers (SOE)