



# Kerzner International Project Manager of the Year Award

Eligibility Requirements & Nomination Process



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### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of the “Kerzner International Project Manager of the Year” award is to recognize a project manager who has exemplified superior performance and outstanding project management methods, skills, and techniques. The process will involve three levels of competition: Evaluation, Semi-Finals, and Finals.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Candidates must be PMPs (Project Management Professionals), and may be associated with any industry or sector from anywhere in the world.

### **PROCESS:**

The evaluation and selection process consists of three stages: Evaluation, Semi-Finals, and Finals. During the Evaluation stage, individuals are invited to nominate any project manager they consider a worthy candidate by writing a 500-word essay on why this person meets the evaluation criteria outlined below. Nomination essays must be received by August 23, 2006. From this group of nominated candidates, 25 will be selected to progress to the Semi-Final round of judging and then finally five candidates will progress to the Finals. The five selected finalists will be flown to New York City where the winner will be announced at the International Institute for Learning’s (IIL’s) International Project Management Day Awards Ceremony, with the award co-presented by E.LaVerne Johnson, President and CEO of IIL, and Harold Kerzner, Ph.D.

### **Evaluation Process:**

- Anyone may nominate any project manager (other than themselves).
- Two (2) copies of completed candidate applications, which consist of the nomination essay and an up-to-date nominee resume, must be submitted.
- All candidate applications must be received by August 23, 2006.
- Nomination essays and resumes will be reviewed and judged by a distinguished panel of judges proficient in project management processes and techniques.
- Twenty-five candidates will progress to the next round of the competition.



### Essay Criteria:

The 500-word nomination essay should clearly illustrate how this person meets the criteria outlined below:

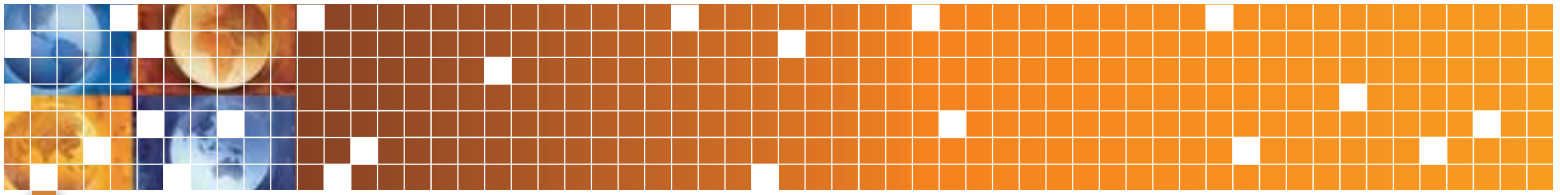
- Demonstrates superior project management performance using best in class project management skills and techniques
- Utilizes lessons learned and defined project management best practices for continuous improvement or organizational project management maturity
- Delivers business value through the project
- Strives to advance and shows continuous support for the profession of project management
- Demonstrates innovative and unique team leadership and motivation to successfully deliver projects on time, under budget, and to customer satisfaction

### Semi-Final Process:

- The twenty-five candidates selected in the evaluation process will be notified of their semi-final status on, or around, September 14, 2006.
- Semi-Finalists will be sent a questionnaire which they must complete and send in by October 3, 2006.
- Semi-Finalists will also be required to send in a letter from their employer and a client recommending their nomination. The employer letter must be on company letterhead. [In the event that a candidate does not have direct contact with a client, a letter from a team member is acceptable.]
- Candidates' questionnaires and two letters will then be forwarded to a distinguished panel of judges proficient in project management processes and techniques.
- Five candidates will progress to the next round of the competition.

### Finals Process:

- The five candidates selected in the Semi-Final process will be notified of their status as a Finalist on, or around, October 16, 2006.
- Each candidate will then be asked to submit a 10 minute PowerPoint presentation which they will deliver at a global eConference on November 2, 2006 to several thousand participants around the world. It should contain a lesson learned from a project of which they were project manager and how that lesson learned was turned into a best practice for either the PMO or organization as a whole. This presentation is due October 27, 2006.
- The five candidates' applications [nomination essay + resume], along with the above mentioned presentations, two letters, and questionnaires, will be forwarded to a distinguished panel of judges proficient in project management processes and techniques.
- One winner will be selected to receive the 2006 "Kerzner International Project Manager of the Year Award."



#### **The finalists will receive:**

- Recognition at IIL's International Project Management Day Awards Ceremony in New York City
- All expenses paid trip to NYC
- Opportunity to present PowerPoint presentation on IIL's global eConference on International Project Management Day
- Lunch with Dr. Kerzner
- Press coverage in IIL & other Project Management related publications

#### **The winner will receive:**

All of the above, plus

- Course vouchure for any IIL virtual course
- Commemorative plaque
- Cash donation to the winner's PMI Chapter (if applicable) in the amount of \$3000

#### **IMPORTANT DELIVERY DATES:**

- **August 23** - Candidate nomination due
- **September 14** - Semi-Finalists notified
- **October 3** - Semi-Finalist questionnaires due
- **October 16** - Finalists notified
- **October 27** - 10-minute PowerPoint presentations due
- **November 2** - Winner announced

#### **SUBMITTAL INFORMATION:**

The two (2) copies of the candidate application [up-to-date nominee resume and nomination essay] must be received by August 23, 2006. Submissions can be either made by fax, email, or through the postal service.

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