

SIXTH EDITION 2015

LEADERSHIP AWARD “FRANÇOIS JOSEPH ROBERT MARCELLO” IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT
INTER AMERICAN NETWORK ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

I. Description

In order to promote a better management of public procurement systems, the Inter-American Network on Government Procurement (INGP), along with its supporting institutions, will recognize a leader from a procurement agency of a member country with the “Joseph François Robert Marcello” Award, in honor of the former National Public Procurement Coordinator of the Government of Haiti—whose disappearance is reported as consequence to his commitment for improving the public procurement systems in his country.

The award will be given to a candidate who has significantly contributed in the implementation of modern and developmental systems of public procurement and has demonstrated outstanding leadership in the promotion and practice of these principles between countries of the region

The voting will take place previous to the annual conference and announcement of the winner will take place during the Public session of the Annual Conference.

Deadline to submit your initiative: September 25th, 2015 at 11PM E.S.T.

The process and selection criteria are described accordingly:

II. Objectives

- To recognize and support government procurement leaders of the region in their efforts in modernizing and reforming public procurement markets.
- To recognize the best qualities of leadership for conducting procurement.
- To encourage and incentivize all procurement leaders to strengthen their leadership capabilities in obtaining better results throughout their management.

III. Eligibility

Any director from a procurement entity belonging to the INGP is eligible; nevertheless they must be in office at the time of the committee’s decision (and must have been in office for at least one preceding year to the announcement).

IV. Jury

The jury will be composed of one representative from the following organizations:

- Organization of American States (OAS)
- Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

V. Criteria

- The award recognizes the individual and not the country.
- The award recognizes the attributes of the leader, as well as his/her capacity to drive reform and modernize government procurement. For this purpose, we will not necessarily recognize the director with the most accomplishments, but rather the director who has made the most progress in government procurement.
- The application analysis will be based on the director's performance throughout the calendar year preceding the date of the nomination.
- The jury will evaluate the merits of each candidate accordingly:
 - ✓ Innovation: Capacity to develop new solutions for the improvement of procurement systems
 - ✓ Leadership: Ability to position and yield political support to procurement reforms.
 - ✓ Long-term Vision: Skills in formulating strategic plans and promoting new and emerging initiatives.
 - ✓ Capacity Management: Ability to develop working groups, increase productivity and yield results.
 - ✓ Knowledge Generation: Distinguished contributions to procurement and contracting that are measurable through the publication of relevant documents and/or participation in international events, which can demonstrate new solutions to public procurement problems.
 - ✓ Cooperation with other countries: Ability to share knowledge and tools that can effectively deliver positive results. This can be measured through the bilateral exchange of information that the individual has supported or led.
 - ✓ Contribution to the INGP: Outstanding commitment, service, and participation in the various activities undertaken by the Network.

VI. Nominations

The Nomination process will proceed accordingly:

- INGP Members' Profile: All INGP representatives must complete their profile ([Click here](#)). Once the information has been completed and sent through the link accordingly, the profile will then be available at the INGP website to all other members (exclusive for INGP representatives).
- Selecting the Nominees: The selection of nominees will take place through an online vote, accessible to all [INGP members](#). Each representative can vote for one to three candidates, which comply with the previously defined criteria. In order to vote, the website will have a list with the names of [all directors](#) and their respective regions. A list of his/hers attributes must be included with the vote. Votes will be secret.
- All heads of procurement that have at least one year in office prior to the publication of this call are eligible regardless if the profile has been update or not.
- Voting for oneself will disqualify the vote.
- The current president of the INGP will be unable to be nominated.

VII. Award process

- Selection committee: The selection committee will meet prior to the Annual Conference of the INGP and all entities must be present in at least two meetings (physical or virtual). The first one is to specify if any additional information is needed; and the second meeting to select the winner.
- Award recipient: Once all nominations are received, the jury will select the winner between five of the candidates with the highest number of votes. The jury will also take into consideration the candidate that possesses the highest attributes established by the criteria.
- Honorable mention: exceptionally, the jury can award an honorable mention to the innovation that has most notably placed itself as a contender of the prize.
- Confidentiality of the results: All members of the jury will keep the results secret until the day of the Award Ceremony.

VIII. Award Presentation

- The award ceremony will take place during the Annual Conference of the INGP.
- The Award will be presented by a member from the selection committee and along with a presentation of the leader's qualities.

IX. Award

The winner of the Leadership Award 'Francois Joseph Robert Marcello' in Public Procurement will receive:

- A symbolic recognition during the ceremony.
- A scholarship for an internship that will pay up to \$5,000 for the study of public procurement on a topic of particular interest. The prize can be utilized within the time-frame of one year.
- A collection of procurement e-books.