

Gartner Business Intelligence Excellence Awards 2006 FAQ's

Who is eligible to submit an application for the BI Excellence Awards?

Applications for the 2006 Awards are open to EMEA based Organizations only. The Awards will focus on North American based organisations again in 2007.

What criteria will be used to judge applications?

Judging criteria are based on the "Cornerstones of BI Excellence" Research Note ([Cornerstones of Business Intelligence Excellence.](#))

What is the process for judging of applications?

The Gartner BI analyst team will evaluate all applications and select the three finalists which in Gartner's opinion best exemplify the ideals described in the "Cornerstones". The finalists will present their case studies at the Gartner Business Intelligence summit 6th – 8th February 2006 at The Royal Lancaster Hotel London where attendees will vote for the BI Excellence Award winner

When does the application period open and close?

24th October through until 12th December 2005.

When will applicants be notified of the results of their submission?

All applications will be contacted by Jan 9 2006

Can technology vendors and service providers submit applications on behalf of their customers?

Technology vendors and service providers are invited to encourage their customers to make application, and may assist their customers in submitting applications. However, interactions regarding the judging, notification of status, etc will take place between Gartner and the case study company only.

If an applicant does not get selected as a finalist, will Gartner provide an explanation of why? No -- due to large number of applications it is impossible to provide individual feedback to all applications. Therefore to be fair to all, we won't provide individual feedback to any applicants.

For those applications selected as a finalist. Who may present the case study at the BI Summit?

An associate or employee of the applicant company must be the presenter. Technology vendors and service providers may NOT present on behalf of their customers.

What will be expected of the finalist?

The finalist will be required to attend the Gartner Business Intelligence summit 6th – 8th February 2006 at The Royal Lancaster Hotel London where they will be required to present a 20minute overview of their case study a template will be provided on what we are looking for in the presentation. If a finalist cannot be present at the conference they will not be eligible to win.

How will Gartner use the information submitted in an application?

Gartner reserves the right to use the names of the finalists in Marketing material. Finalists will be asked to sign an agreement to allow us to complete a case study based on their application. Follow up interviews may also be required.

What about information that the applicant would like to remain confidential?

The applicant can highlight on the application any information that they particularly want to remain confidential however all applications will be treated as confidential and no information submitted will be put on public view.

Must information be provided for all sections of the application?

Many portions of the application are required and must be completed. It is not a requirement to fill in details for all four levels of the BI Framework (see “Cornerstones”), however completeness in addressing all areas will be one of the evaluation criteria.

How long can the answers be to long text questions?

Answers can be up to 3500 characters long.