**THE YOUNG ACHIEVER AWARDS**AWARD CRITERIA

**Representing the largest business sector in the North East of England, NEPIC has deep engagement with industry and training providers which enabled the North East to be a prime mover in the development of plans and establishment of a Process Industry National Skills Academy. But NEPIC seeks not only to promote the industry as a career choice for those leaving school and university, but also to recognise the best and brightest young people already working within it.**

To recognise and celebrate the region’s young talent from within the process sector, NEPIC are pleased to once more welcome entries for the 2024 Young Achiever Awards. As always, we recognise talent across industry’s five sectors, awarding a winner under each of the following categories: **Biotechnology; Pharmaceuticals; Fine & Speciality Chemicals; Commodity & Petrochemicals,** and **Support & Supply Chain**.

As well as receiving a trophy to mark the winner’s success at the prestigious NEPIC Annual Awards Dinner, held at Hardwick Hall on the evening of Friday 22 March 2024, the winning organisation will also receive £2,000\* to donate to a local school of their choice to fund a science related project - a wonderful way to raise your company’s profile further within your local community and attract future talent to the sector.

**Award Criteria**
Applicants should write an article of no more than 750 words focusing on their career to-date and including career achievements and how the education received, and skills acquired whilst working in the industry, have helped them reach their current career point.

 **Please note that applicants should be under the age of 35 as of 31 December 2023**.

**How to enter**
Entries should be submitted electronically, clearly stating your name and chosen sector on the top of the document. Entries should include a completed application form *(see overleaf)* and recent photograph.

**Closing date**All entries are to be submitted by close of business on **9th February 2024.**

 **THE YOUNG ACHIEVER AWARDS**APPLICATION FORM

**Please complete the following application form and return electronically along with your 750-word article and a recent photograph. As part of the award process we ask that a senior manager from within your organisation supports your application - please ensure that this section is also completed.**

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| **Please indicate which** **sector your application is representing.** *Please tick (✓) only one:* |  |
| Biotechnology |  |
| Pharmaceuticals |  |
| Fine & Speciality  |  |
| Commodity & Petrochem |  |
| Support & Supply Chain |  |

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| E-mail Address |  |
| Date of Birth |  |
| **Managers/Sponsors Details** |  |
| Name |  |
| Job Title |  |
| Telephone No. |  |
| E-mail Address |  |

Please submit your application to NEPIC by close of business on **9th February 2024** to: **awards@nepic.co.uk,** stating **YOUNG ACHIEVER AWARDS ENTRY** within the subject line.