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The Sir Harry Page
Merit Award 2012



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Purpose of the award

The Sir Harry Page Merit Award is made annually by CIPFA for an outstanding piece of work or an initiative focused on a particular technical matter within the field of public service accounting and financial management. Its purpose is to promote the technique, science and art of public finance and its presentation.

The delivery of good public services relies on the contributions of professionals from a wide range of disciplines. This award seeks to highlight the distinctive contribution of public service finance professionals in advancing the quality and effectiveness of public services.

Sir Harry Page was a former President of CIPFA and City Treasurer of Manchester. The award has been presented annually since 1969.

The Prize

The Sir Harry Page Merit Award trophy will be presented at the President's Dinner at the commencement of the CIPFA 2012 Conference.

Entries for the award

Entries for the award may:

- come from any part of the public services
- focus on the work of an individual or a group of colleagues
- be made personally
- recommend the work of others

The work submitted for the award may come from practitioners, researchers, academics – in fact anyone who works in or with the public services, whether or not formally qualified as a finance professional, and whose work focuses on public services accountancy and financial management.

Making an entry or nomination

An entry form for the Sir Harry Page Merit Award is attached. In addition to the basic details concerning the nomination, the form invites a summary of the work and an assessment of its impact. Supporting evidence is invited with no restrictions as to the form of that evidence. However, the evidence must be sufficiently full and free-standing

to enable the judges to evaluate it against other entries without having to ask for further information. Entries for the 2012 Award may wish to demonstrate how public service accounting and financial management have become more important than ever in difficult times.

How the award is judged

The Adjudication Panel comprises the Chair and Vice-Chair of CIPFA's Public Finance & Management Board and two other judges recognised for their technical expertise within public services accountancy and financial management.

The judges will assess the extent to which the entry has promoted the technique, science and art of public finance with reference to the following criteria:

- the actual or potential impact of the work
- its originality;
- the technical content;

- the difficulty of the subject matter;
- the potential for practical application across the public services.

Key dates in the award process

- Friday 11 May 2012 – last date for entries
- Tuesday 03 July 2012 – presentation of Sir Harry Page Merit Award at the President's Dinner, at the CIPFA 2012 Conference, in Liverpool.

Enquiries and Entries

See website:

www.cipfa.org.uk/pt/page_award.cfm

Enquiries should be made to Julian Smith, on 020 7543 5795 or email julian.smith@cipfa.org.uk

Submissions should be sent electronically to Julian Smith julian.smith@cipfa.org.uk to arrive on or before 11 May 2012.

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