

# FPS ANNUAL AWARDS 2016

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## APPLICATION PACK

The inaugural Federation of Piling Specialists Awards 2016 celebrate the achievements of outstanding individuals and companies within the Ground Engineering industry.

The awards ceremony will take place at The Underglobe, beneath the prestigious Shakespeare Globe theatre in London on the evening of Friday 21st October 2016. BBC journalist, Steph McGovern will host the evening, alongside FPS Chair, Alasdair Henderson in front of an audience of over 200 delegates.

## ENTRY PROCESS

Entries will be shortlisted by a judging panel who will discuss all applications in detail before making a final decision.

## HOW TO ENTER

There are four categories open for nominations and a fifth for separate judging; two focus on companies and three focus on individuals:

## COMPANY AWARDS

- Safety Innovation Award
- Technology Award

## INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

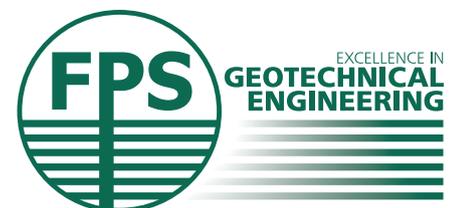
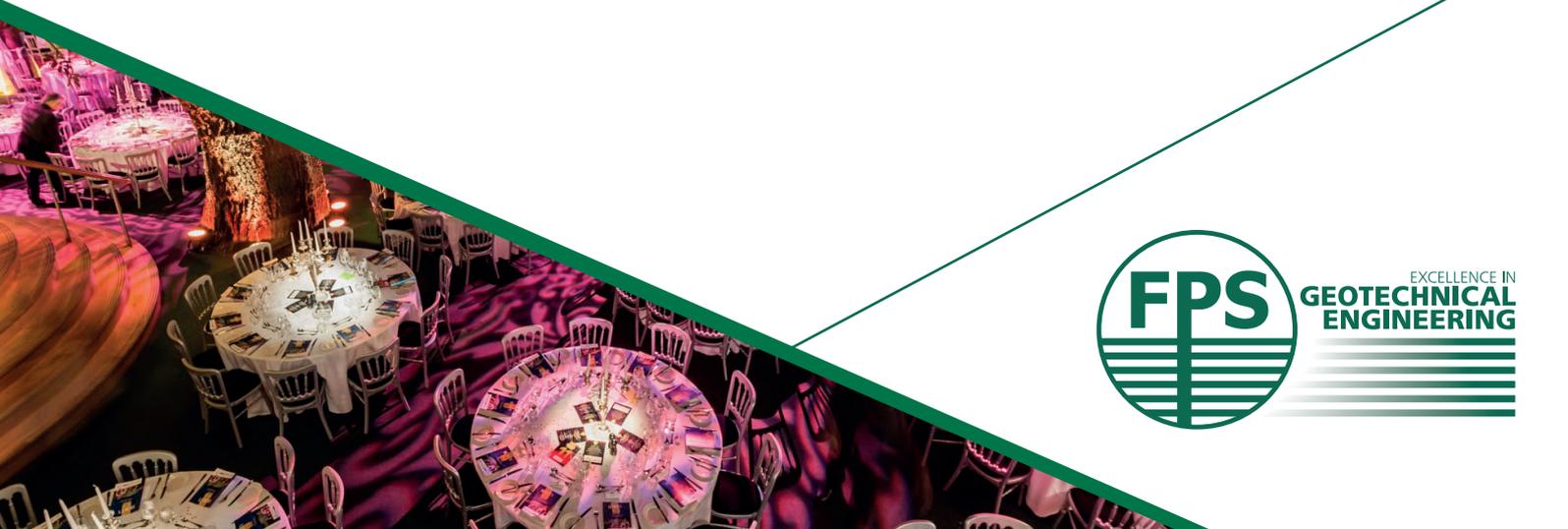
- Early Career Technician Award
- Early Career Professional Award
- Chairman's Award

Applicants should submit no more than 750 words alongside supporting material, if applicable, demonstrating why the candidate/company should be shortlisted for the award. All applications should be submitted to FPS Secretariat, Isabelle Etheridge, before 5pm on Friday 9th September. Postal and email applications will be accepted.

There is no cost to enter the awards.

Email: [fps@fps.org.uk](mailto:fps@fps.org.uk)

Post: FAO Isabelle Etheridge, Federation of Piling Specialists, Forum Court, Office 205, Devonshire House Business Centre, 29-31 Elmfield Road, Bromley, Kent, BR1 1LT



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## COMPANY AWARDS

### SAFETY INNOVATION AWARD

This award is open to any Federation of Piling Specialists member.

Judges will be looking for a standout entry where a company can showcase a recent innovation, initiative or dynamic approach that has considerably improved the safety of their workforce or the industry.

Entries should describe fully:

- The nature of the safety innovation
- How it has improved workforce or industry safety practice
- How it integrates into the company's safety culture
- How it has been shared within and outwith the company

### TECHNOLOGY AWARD

This award is open to all FPS members and will recognise the development and application of a technology that improves quality, productivity or any other aspect of a member's business.

Judges will be looking for companies who have shown a commitment to innovation and research, and an effective strategy for converting 'good ideas' into real-world improvements.

Entries should describe fully:

- The nature of the technology or innovation
- The present and future benefits it creates

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## INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

### EARLY CAREER TECHNICIAN AWARD

The Early Career Technician Award is open to all members' specialist trades employees aged 30 or under on the day of the awards ceremony. Candidates can include technicians, apprentices, rig operators or other support operatives, all of whom will have shown exceptional ability in their role.

Candidates will be also able to demonstrate a strong commitment to personal learning and development, an excellent approach to team work and supporting others, and a passion for the ground engineering industry.

### EARLY CAREER PROFESSIONAL AWARD

The Early Career Professional Award is open to all members' professional employees aged 30 or under on the day of the awards ceremony. Candidates can include engineering and commercial staff, project and business managers or other support professionals, all of whom will have shown exceptional ability in their role.

Candidates will also be able to demonstrate a strong commitment to personal learning and development, an excellent approach to team work and supporting others, and a passion for the ground engineering industry.

### CHAIRMAN'S AWARD

This award will be judged by the Executive Committee, nominated by member companies MDs, and will recognise an FPS member employee who has made a significant personal contribution to furthering the aims and interests of the Federation of Piling Specialists.

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## HOST

### STEPH McGOVERN

For over a decade Steph McGovern has reported on business and finance from around the world; from international summits to small business success stories. She is an established part of the BBC Breakfast team, covering business developments daily, and also regularly taking to the sofa as main co-host.

During the financial crash Steph was the lead producer of financial news, working with then Business Editor Robert Peston at the forefront of the award-winning coverage of the credit crunch and banking crisis. She soon began broadcasting herself, and Steph has presented on 5Live, Radio 4 and on the Chris Evans show on Radio 2.

Steph's Breakfast duties include meeting first-hand those on Britain's business frontline.

Speaking to factory workers and FTSE CEOs, Steph's mission is to uncover and explain what's going on in the real economy.

Taking business away from news coverage Steph launched her own children's TV show looking for the next generation of entrepreneurs, Pocket Money Pitch on CBBC. She is also the co-host of a new BBC One prime time show Shop Well For Less.

