

Framework for The Food Innovator Award

An initiative from Danish Food Cluster that will honour one person who has made a special effort in order to promote innovation in the Danish food sector.

Purpose

The award has the purpose of honouring one person yearly for his/her influence on innovation in the Danish food sector as well as increasing the attention on innovation and the influence on individuals. Further on, this award wants to inspire individuals and organisations to continue innovation.

Innovation is defined as profitable implementation or promotion of an idea.

Who can receive the award?

All persons who have made a special effort for innovation in the Danish food sector can receive this award. The award can be given to all whose influence has been of major importance to the Danish food sector. This can be in relation to research, company management, organisation, entrepreneurship etc. The award is handed out to one person independently of company or organisation.

In order to receive the award, persons have to be put forward for nomination.

Rules for nomination

All members of Danish Food Cluster can nominate candidates for the award.

The nomination of candidates must be made to the board of Danish Food Cluster no later than six weeks prior to the award ceremony that year. There must be a description of the candidates influence along with the nomination as well as contact information of the person who is nominating the particular candidate.

The award is not open for application.

Rules for selection

The board of Danish Food Cluster elects the recipient.

The award ceremony takes place once a year. The award is given to a new recipient every year regardless of connection to company and organisation.

If the board assess that there are no suited candidates, a joint decision will determine if the award will be omitted.

Criteria's for selection and weighting

Impact – 30%

What has been the impact of his/her work?

What is the potential effect of his/her work?

Period of impact – 20%

Time period of impact. Has the impact been persistent? What is the future perspective of his/her work?

Overall value for the cluster – 30%

Has the implementation or promotion lead to an overall value for the Danish food cluster?

Output – 20%

What has been the output of the work already done? Has innovation increased based on his/her impact?

In order to select the one yearly recipient of the award, the board of Danish Food Cluster will utilise the above-mentioned criteria.

