



The ESOT Legacy Award

Awarded by ESOT

About the ESOT Legacy Award

The ESOT Legacy Award acknowledges truly outstanding and sustainable achievements and the most exceptional long-term contributions of an individual or organisation in one or more of the fields of organ, tissue and cell donation and/or transplantation.

The Award recognises these achievements across one or more of the following domains:

- Research (basic, translational, clinical)
- Clinical advancements
- Training and education
- Organisation and governance
- Social impact

The recipient must have well-known and respected ethos-conduct.



Nomination

The ESOT Legacy Award is an initiative led by the ESOT Executive, via the ESOT Past-President.

The call for nominations applies to all ESOT members in good standing. You cannot nominate more than one individual or organisation. Nominations should be made in strict confidence, without the knowledge of the nominee and without canvassing support of any of the parties involved.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) principles should be taken into consideration for the nominations.

To nominate an individual or organisation, please submit up to 250 words explaining why the nominee meets one or more of the ESOT Legacy Award criteria. The citation will be written in a pre-structured pro forma prepared by ESOT.



Award Selection

Nominations will be reviewed by all voting ESOT Council Members plus three transplant patient organisation representatives from the ESOT network. These nominations will be scored in confidence, using an electronic system giving them a score out of ten.

Up to six nominations which receive the highest scores in this process will be forwarded to the Award Committee, consisting of:

- The ESOT Executive
- Two members of the ESOT Council (one Councilor and one Chair of Section/Committee will be randomly selected)

The Award Committee members will meet in an online, confidential meeting to review the results of their voting and decide the award winner, based on the strength of the nominations. EDI principles will be taken into consideration during this process.

In exceptional circumstances, more than one Award may be given.



Timeline

The ESOT Legacy Award will be presented every two years, on the year of the ESOT Congress. The following timeline applies to the 2023 ESOT Legacy Award:

- 15 March 2023: Announcement and call for nominations
- 10 April 2023: Closing date for nominations
- 24 April 2023: Voting by the ESOT Council
- 8 May 2023: Decision made by the Award Committee
- 15 May 2023: Formal announcement made

The ESOT Legacy Award will be presented to the winner(s) at the ESOT Congress 2023 (Athens, 17-20 September).



Recognition

The Award will be formally announced via a press and social media release, and the awardee will have the opportunity to share a video statement.

There will be a dedicated ceremony for the ESOT Legacy Award at the ESOT Congress. This will include:

- An introduction from the ESOT Past-President explaining the rationale behind the Award
- The presentation of a bespoke medal, a distinct and valuable gift related to the city of the congress and a papyrus certificate will be awarded by the ESOT President
- A lecture from the Award winner(s) to the ESOT community



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