FinTech & Banking Awards: Tips to writing an award-winning submission

Please note: MAX of 3 submissions per company. One per individual.

- Keep it simple. Start with <u>one line of what you do</u>. Example: we do B2B payments in Australia
- 2. One line on what problem you solve for & why are you are # 1?
- 3. Then tell us about the numbers, or Metrics. customers, revenue etc.
- 4. The best submissions are short, direct, and honest.
- 5. Use Bullet points! (we have 400-500 submissions)
- 6. Tell us why you should win the award: "we should win this award because we were the first in market with X, we have XXX customers, with ARR of \$Ym p.c.m, growth this year of XX% and new versions of the product, the latest using XYZ to be faster/more accurate"
- 7. Individual Award categories: if you are submitting for an individual, please tell us the individual's <u>full name</u>, their title and add their LinkedIn profile.
- 8. We assume your Founder/CEO/CTO has a great work ethic and knowledge of the sector, <u>tell us why they should win</u> with what they have achieved.
- 9. We find Founders write the best submissions. If you're not the Founder, please have them check your submission.
- 10. We don't need to see videos, attachments or slides.

- 11. WRITE down the date of the Awards night in your diary. What is the point of winning an award and being on holiday when the Awards night is held??
- 12. Here are examples from previous Award winners these descriptions were read out on the night:

"In 2020, they were in two countries, had 21,000 merchants & 1.7m customers, and 300 staff. Now, they are in 13 markets, 55,000 merchants, 8 million customers and over 1000 employees. They launched a global-first product feature that reimagines the BNPL in store experience by enabling customers to use their interest-free account anywhere that accepts Visa. The winner is XXXX"

"She is CEO and Co-Founder of the leading fintech enabling Australian consumers to exercise their Consumer Data Right. She is a champion of diversity and walks the talk: Her company has Transparent salaries, no gender pay gap; Her shareholders are 60% female; She quit her corporate job to found the company. The winner is XXXX"

Good luck and best wishes.