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Chennai Trade Centre,  
Chennai, India



## **RULES FOR THE IAFI PETER HOWGATE AWARD 2025**

1. The aim of the International Association of Fish Inspectors Peter Howgate Award (PHA) is to support young scientists and technologists to advance their international experience, with a view to developing their career, skills and knowledge in the field of fish technology, with **emphasis on fish inspection, processing technology and quality control**. The award is specifically aimed at those in a junior position.
2. The PHA is available to persons of any nationality, of age 30 years old or below on the 1<sup>st</sup> January of the year of the award. For the 2025 award, this means you must have been born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 1995.
3. The applicant should be presently engaged in a relevant position involving post-harvest technology of fishery and aquaculture products (for example commercial fish processing sector, research, product certification or inspection and control). Students engaged in academic research related to the science and technology of fish and fishery products are eligible.
4. The PHA shall be a financial grant to cover the cost of travel, hotel accommodation and congress fees to attend the World Seafood Congress. In 2025 this will be held in Chennai, India from 22-24 September 2025 (see <https://www.wsc2025.com/> )
5. The successful applicant should be prepared to make a presentation of their work in one of the Congress sessions, or in a poster.
6. Applicants should complete the application form and submit it by email to [president@iafi.net](mailto:president@iafi.net) Please mark the email for the attention of the Secretary, Peter Howgate Award
7. For the 2025 Award applications should be submitted by midnight (WET, Western European Time) **28<sup>th</sup> March 2025**.
8. Applicants should provide additional supporting documentation, to include:
  - scans of educational certificates
  - applicant's statement (300-500 words) setting out how the activities to be supported by the PHA will help his/her career and further fish technology understanding
  - statement of support from tutor/supervisor/manager (with contact details), and indicating that the candidate is free to travel to the World Seafood Congress
  - information regarding any existing source of funds which will support attendance (e.g., scholarship/grant/employers)
  - copy of passport (valid for the expected dates of travel)

9. The Peter Howgate Award Committee is nominated by the IAFI Board and comprises respected members of the international seafood inspection community. The Committee will review valid applications and decide on the winner of the award, being the candidate, which best meets the following criteria:
  - to date, has demonstrated a clear commitment to a career in fish technology
  - is undertaking relevant work directed at improving the understanding or dissemination of knowledge of fish technology, fish inspection and control, and/or its application to bring meaningful benefits to the sector and consumers
  - whose work will benefit from the establishment of the international exposure and linkages developed through attendance at the Congress
  
10. IAFI will issue a document to the successful applicant indicating that the award has been granted. Assistance will be provided in obtaining visas and making travel and accommodation arrangements.
  
11. Successful applicants shall be requested to write a report on the supported activities, to provide feedback for the management committee. This will be posted on the website.
  
12. The Secretary to the Peter Howgate Award Committee will undertake the administration of the award, including screening of applicants for compliance.
  
13. Announcements regarding the award, annual report and financial reports will be published on the IAFI website and Facebook page.

**PETER HOWGATE AWARD – APPLICATION FORM**

*Please complete in English (either electronically or print out and complete in black ink). Please add additional information on separate sheets*

1. **Family name:**
2. **First names:**
3. **Date of birth:**
4. **Nationality:**
5. **Home Address:**
  
6. **Telephone Number**
7. **Mobile Number**
8. **Work Organisation**
9. **Work Organisation Address**
  
10. **Passport Number**
11. **Passport Expiry Date**
12. **Language skills:**  
**Mother tongue:**

Other Languages Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - basic; 5 - excellent)

Languages	Reading	Speaking	Writing

13. **Key skills/experience relevant to the application:**

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14. **Other Skills / Activities**

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15. **Education, post school (please attach certificates)**

Institution name and location	Date from - Date to	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:

**16. Work experience** (current/most recent first, continue on additional sheets if required)

Date from - Date to	Location	Organisation & reference person (name & contact details)	Position	Description of activities

**17. Other relevant information** (e.g. List of Publications)

**18. Applicant's statement: (300-500 words)** setting out how the activities to be supported by the PHA will benefit your career and further the understanding of fish technology in your organisation, country, or region.

**19. Statement of support from tutor/supervisor/manager**

**Name:**

**Position:**

**Contact details:**

**Comments on application:**