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## Best in IT Cost Efficiency

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Nominee/Project Name

This award recognizes organizations that strategically optimize IT investments while sustaining innovation, performance, and business value, taking a disciplined and data-driven approach to cost transparency, resource allocation, and value realization across the technology portfolio. It honors those that transform cost management into a strategic advantage, recognizing that effective IT cost efficiency is critical for funding innovation, improving operational agility, maximizing return on technology investments, and ensuring a sustainable and resilient digital foundation for the enterprise.

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**Company**

(Name of your organization to be used in official communications)

**Company Profile**

200 words

(Organization Profile 200 words max)

**Company Website**

**Industry**

Banking

Insurance

Financial Services

Agriculture/Forestry/Fisheries

Mining/Oil/Gas

Aerospace/Defense

Automotive

Electrical and Electronic manufacturing

Food, Beverage & Consumer Goods

Industrial and other manufacturing

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**Point of Contact**

***(Name and contact information of person submitting nomination)***

First Name

Last Name

Department

Job Title

Email Address

Contact Number (Mobile Only)

**Contact at Nominated Organization**

*(Fill out if different from above. Leave blank if not applicable.)*

First Name (optional)

Last Name (optional)

Department (optional)

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Email Address (optional)

Contact Number (Mobile Only) (optional)

**Project roll-out date (Must be between January 2025 to March 2026)**

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Please ensure that the initiative or program that you are nominating has been rolled out for at least six months. Ultimately, IDC believes that a minimum of six months of live production use is an appropriate time to evaluate the outcomes of initiatives. However, if you can demonstrate that the initiative or project provided quantifiable benefits in less than 6 months, then please feel free to include such initiatives, but specify the reason why this was so impactful.)

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## Project Lead

Please provide the name, designation, and email address of the project lead, should there be further clarifications on the nomination.

## Executive Sponsor

Please provide the name and designation of the executive sponsor of this project, who will receive the award, should your organization win.

## Nomination Information

### Nomination Summary

200 words

This may be used in IDC CIO Awards press release should your initiative be awarded. Please include the overview, why it is innovative, and one major measurable business outcome as a result of the initiative.

**Note:** By submitting this nomination you are giving permission for IDC to publish a summary to support press releases and other documents related to the Awards and IDC research process, and to use the submitted project information as part of case studies and IDC research. Should any information be strictly confidential, please indicate in the corresponding field of the nomination form and/or the attachment.

### 1. Please explain how this project resulted in improved cost efficiencies for your organization?

500 words

Please explain how this project helped your organization achieve its financial target: what has been the impact on IT costs? How did it help the organization to reduce operating costs?

### 2. What was the overall cost of this project?

### 3. What has been the impact of this project on operating costs?

300 words

#### 4. How long did it take for your organization to reach a break-even point?

100 words

#### 5. Additional Information

300 words

- Why was this project transformative and why does it deserve a nomination in this category?
- Please include recognition/awards from external organizations and relevant press releases/media coverage.

Material may be supplied as follows:

1. Upload JPEG or PDF files. A maximum file size is 5MB per piece. A maximum of ten pieces can be uploaded with your entry.
2. Video attachments may be hosted on a video site such as YouTube or Vimeo.
3. Provide website URLs to the publicly accessible campaign or active URL of a landing page. Please ensure any applicable usernames and passwords are provided and active.
4. Please do not upload any further written material as the judges will not consider these. The written component of your entry should be fully explained within the provided form fields.

To nominate yourself for the IDC CIO Awards 2026, please use this form to send in your project details.

1. Please provide the necessary details through your official email ID only. Incomplete forms will not be considered.
2. The project should have gone live between January 2025 to March 2026. Projects that are yet to go live will not be considered.
3. Based on the submitted information, the IDC CIO Awards 2026 honorees will be chosen by the judging panel of IDC's Analyst and CIO Advisory board.
4. Applicants are encouraged to include any information about their project or initiative that they would like the jury to consider.
5. Each entry will be judged based on how it compares to all other entries submitted. Honorees will not be ranked. Except for the Top 3 Winners.
6. IT Vendors and Technology Consultants do not qualify for the IDC CIO Awards. Vendors and consultants may instead nominate completed projects on behalf of end user\* organizations utilizing their technology products or services. Please provide confirmation from the client that they wish to participate in the awards program.
7. Discovery of falsification of data or fraudulent claims will constitute grounds for disqualification.
8. Nominations must be by, or on behalf of, the senior most Information Technology executive in the organization who is authorized to apply on behalf of the organization.
9. Rest assured that nothing filed in the nomination form will be published on any website/social media of IDC or talked/discussed during the event or otherwise.

**Submission Deadline: Friday, April 24, 2026**