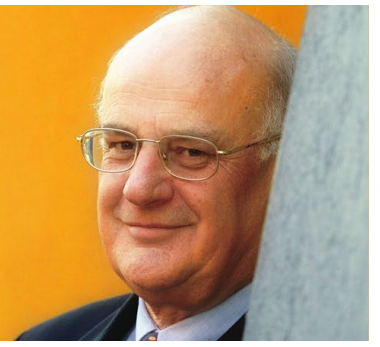


# MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN ESG RISING STAR AWARD



## NOMINATION FORM

### About Michael O'Sullivan

Michael O'Sullivan was ACSI President from its foundation in 2001 until 2011, Chair of CareSuper for three separate two-year terms, and Deputy Chair in the intervening years. He passed away in 2013.

Michael made a significant contribution to the advancement of corporate governance practices and representation of the ownership rights and responsibilities of Australian superannuation fund members. He was a pioneer in establishing a productive governance dialogue between companies and institutional investors in Australia, and a focal point for collaboration and action across diverse interests in the superannuation sector.

A passionate advocate, Michael called for all investors to confront the great moral and investment challenges of our times, in particular those associated with global climate change. His influence and legacy extend far beyond Australia: his long tenure as a director of the International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN), tireless promotion of the United Nations-backed Principles for Responsible Investment, and active participation in the global P8 Group all left a profound mark on sustainable investment thinking and action at a global level.

### Overview

#### Award objective

The Michael O'Sullivan ESG Rising Star Award was established to commemorate Michael's legacy in the superannuation sector and in particular to the incorporation of ESG principles in the risk management of long-term investing. The award aims to advance the ESG agenda through development of the next generation of ESG advocates and professionals within the profit to members superannuation sector.

#### What is ESG integration?

ESG integration refers to the system by which investors protect and manage their investments for the long-term through the consideration of environmental, social and corporate governance risks in their investment decision-making processes.

#### About CareSuper

CareSuper is the largest industry fund specialising in super for people engaged in professional, managerial, administrative and service occupations. CareSuper returns all profits to members, which means more money for retirement.

CareSuper is the creator and financier of this award in honour of its former Director and Chair, Michael O'Sullivan.

### About ACSI

ACSI exists to provide a strong, collective voice on environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues on behalf of our members. CareSuper is a Full Member of ACSI and also has representation on the ACSI Member Council.

### Eligibility and Submission Criteria

#### Eligibility

The award is open to professionals aged 40 and under (at 31 March 2020) who are employed by an Australian ACSI member.

The winner must be committed to the advancement of the consideration of environmental, social and corporate governance issues in managing retirement savings.

CareSuper and ACSI employees are ineligible to enter.

Previously unsuccessful entrants are welcome to renominate, but past winners may not enter again.

#### Nomination criteria and process

All nominees must:

- Submit a completed nomination form, including a signed reference from a representative of their employer's management team.
- Attach their CV.
- Complete the Nominee Questionnaire (included in nomination form) which answers the following questions:
  - What are the characteristics that make you a rising star of ESG?
  - What is your vision for the future of ESG issues in profit-for-member funds?
  - Which of the two conferences (PRI in Person or ICGN Conference) do you wish to attend and how would your attendance at this conference further your professional development?
  - How will an enhanced understanding and knowledge of ESG issues help you benefit members of your superannuation fund/fund clients in the next five years?
  - What is your intended broader industry contribution in the next five years?

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## Judging Panel

The winner of the Michael O'Sullivan ESG Rising Star Award will be selected by a judging panel consisting of:

- Michelle Gardiner – Employer Director, CareSuper
- Louise Davidson – Chief Executive Officer, ACSI
- Helga Birgden – Head of Responsible Investment, Asia Pacific, Mercer

Nominees may be required to be interviewed by a member of the judging panel as a part of the selection process.

## Award Presentation

The winner will be announced and presented with the Award in front of over 350 industry peers during the ACSI Annual Conference.

The 2020 conference will be held on Friday 8 May at The Hilton, Sydney.

ACSI will cover the cost of an economy class return airfare to the ACSI Conference, if required.

## Prize

The winner of the Michael O'Sullivan ESG Rising Star Award will receive funding to attend a PRI in Person Annual Conference or ICGN Annual Conference following the ACSI Award presentation\*.

Funding includes accommodation, conference registration and economy airfares to the maximum value of AUD\$10,000.

\*Funding is subject to CareSuper approval and attendance must occur before July 2021.

## Post-conference Summary

The winner of the Michael O'Sullivan ESG Rising Star Award is required to provide CareSuper with a summary of their PRI or ICGN Conference experience on their return.

CareSuper may request this summary to be provided either in person at a meeting nominated by them or in writing.

# NOMINATION FORM

## Personal details

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Job title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Employer Endorsement

Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

Job title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Professional Referee (Referee must be able to endorse your work in ESG)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Job title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Entry of Submission

Electronic nomination forms with **attached CV** must be emailed to [keden@acsi.org.au](mailto:keden@acsi.org.au) by no later than 5pm, on 3 March 2020.

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## Nominee Questionnaire (maximum of 1000 words)

**What are the characteristics that make you an ESG rising star?** (maximum 250 words)

**What is your vision for the future of ESG issues in profit-for-member funds?** (maximum 250 words)

**Which of the two conferences (PRI in Person or ICGN Conference) do you wish to attend and how would your attendance at this conference further your professional development?** (maximum 100 words)

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**How will an enhanced understanding and knowledge of ESG issues help you benefit members of your superannuation fund/fund clients in the next five years?** (maximum 250 words)

**What is your intended broader industry contribution in the next five years?** (maximum 250 words)

**Additional Comments** (maximum 150 words)