The global community of cyber security experts, technology developers, and governments are taking proactive steps to thwart attacks and preventative measures to remain one step ahead. According to Cabinet, 95% of cybersecurity breaches are caused by human error. Keeping employees and partners well trained and prepared for responses that are quick and efficient could mean the difference between a business serving an attack or not.

This comprehensive industry awards program highlights and rewards the creative thinking, engineering, people, and projects taking on this growing threat. With the average cost of a data breach now reaching upwards of $4 million per incident, recognizing those that are making a difference, is our mission.

The Fortress Cyber Security Awards use a proprietary judging process scored by well-known and experienced leaders from around the globe. Organizations of all sizes from all countries are encouraged to participate. Nominations will be judged with their peers based on size, determined by total number of employees globally.

Good Luck!

Russ Fordyce
Managing Director
Business Intelligence Group

Fortress Cyber Security Awards
Recognizing top-performing cyber security experts from around the world.

Nominations Due
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Nomination Fee: $799
Welcome to the Fortress Cyber Security Awards

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**95%** of cybersecurity breaches are caused by human error - CYBINT

On average, **ONLY 5%** of companies’ folders are properly protected - VARNIS

**86%** of breaches were financially motivated, and **10%** were motivated by espionage - VERIZON

The average cost of a data breach is **$3.86M** as of 2020 - IBM
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Award Categories

Organization Awarded to an organization whose collective performance has driven the entire group to exceed the sum of individual efforts.

Company Size:
• Micro - 10 or fewer employees
• Very Small –11-100 employees
• Small – 100-999 employees
• Medium – 1000-9,999 employees
• Large – More than 10,000 employees

Product or Service Awarded to a single product or service or line of products or services launched or updated in the last 12 months.

Individual Awarded to an executive whose leadership in the organization and industry have led to the delivery of innovative AI solutions.

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The BIG 3-Step Nomination Process
Submitting your nomination is a simple 3-step process

- ✔ Download the entry kit at bintelligence.com
- ○ Use our handy worksheet to write your nomination
- ○ Click NOMINATE NOW to submit

All nominations are 100% confidential. Neither the nomination nor any of its content will be shared with anyone other than our staff and judges.

You may submit multiple nominations in multiple categories as a means of increasing your odds of winning. If you need to amend a nomination already submitted, you can resubmit the nomination following the same process but using the coupon code “RE-WORK”.

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Nomination Fees

The $799 nomination fee is collected when your nomination is submitted online. We accept all major credit cards, bank transfers, and checks. If paying by check or wire transfer, enter in your nomination and use coupon code “ALT-PAYMENT” when promoted.

Contact us for banking information to complete your submission via wire or ACH transfer.

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Rules

- Nominations must be for performances in the last 12 months.
- Nominations must not be duplicative work of others.
- You should be able to show the impact or potential impact of your organization, product or individual performance through concrete measurements or analysis.
Recognize, honor, and show gratitude to the team that works so hard to innovate.

Establish credibility, build your brand, and show your commitment to innovation and employee culture.

Build morale, galvanize your team, and show future employees that their hard work and dedication to innovation is part of something BIG.

Experts in your field review submissions; folks that are in the trenches each day and that understand the difficulty it takes to create something truly unique.

As a winner we will work with you to promote your success. As part of your entry you will receive the winners logo, press release templates, social media exposure, and a great BIG trophy to put in your lobby, take pictures with, and have a physical award for the team to see each day!

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5 Reasons to Enter
A successful BIG Awards Nomination should tell a great story. Effectively communicating your message within the entry includes:

- **Strong Written Descriptions**
- **Clear, concise, and easily understood explanations and descriptions of your product or service.**
- **Correct spelling and grammar is important.** (Former winner, Grammarly, is a great resource!)
- **Write it so your mother can understand it.** Articulate your message in a way where, more people than your organization’s internal experts understand what you are attempting to convey.

Use additional resources to help enhance your chances of winning.

- **Make sure your website is easy to navigate and to learn more about what you do.** Is there a clear message about the nomination? Does it showcase its purpose, benefits, and value clearly? Be sure that the URL you want our judges to see is visually appealing and has a clear theme.
- **Most successful nominations have videos that clearly showcase and explain their product or service as well.**
What winners of the Fortress Cyber Security Awards receive:

- One personalized trophy per winning entry
- A digital logo for royalty-free use online and in print
- A Business Intelligence Group-issued press release announcing the winners
- A press release template suitable for release by your organization
- Feedback and scoring on your entry as provided by judges
- Recognition by the Business Intelligence Group to its community of 40,000+ executives
- Recognition on the Business Intelligence Group’s website
- Recognition on the Business Intelligence Group’s social communities (LinkedIn, Twitter, and Facebook)
- Winners will have the opportunity to purchase additional Fortress Cyber Security Awards branded collateral and materials such as additional trophies, plaques, and banners.

Note: Shipping to the United States is included with each nomination. Winners outside the United States will need to supply their own shipping carrier and account number.
Publicity for Winners

Winners will be notified prior to any public announcement. During this time, you can prepare your own press release and other materials to announce this noteworthy achievement to your own community. You will be provided the official award logos and branding elements, as well as a quote and press release template you can customize and distribute.

Once your win is made public, we will publicize the winners to our own community of business professionals and to leading publications.

Additional Exposure

While an executive is not able to judge his or her own award category or those of his or her peers, we strongly encourage business experts to become judges.

Judges are asked to score nominations and to share meaningful feedback with nominated candidates.

Business leaders with experience, insight, and knowledge are sought to be part of the volunteer panel of independent experts. Judging nominations is easy and usually only requires an hour or two of time.
Previous Winners
Judging Process
Every nomination is scored by our volunteer panel of business experts and industry leaders using our unique model that affords judges the opportunity to share public and private feedback.

Private feedback can be used to improve your future results. Public feedback can be used to maximize the third-party acknowledgement of your performance.

Judging is based upon your business execution and performance for each award.

Our Unique Judging Model
Our industry awards programs rely on industry leaders who volunteer to read, score and judge nominations. But what is unique about our model is that judges not only score and rank nominations, they also have the opportunity to share public and private feedback so that winners can maximize the third-party acknowledgement of their performance and all nominees can reflect on how they can improve their overall approach to the market.
Become a Judge
Judging for the Business Intelligence Group has many advantages and it is easy! Judging usually takes only a few hours of downtime and can be done from the comfort of an airplane, your favorite lounge chair or pool side. Read. Score. Feedback. Repeat.

Referrals
Judging has led to business referrals, job offers and other career advancements.

Instant Good Karma
Judging gives you instant good karma when you share your expertise and wisdom with our nominees.

Recognition
Your name, company name and ideas are shared with our growing audience.

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