2026 NOIA ESG Excellence Award Entry Form
Category 1: Operators & Developers

The **NOIA Environmental, Social, & Governance Excellence Award** will recognize the company (or companies) whose attitude and action towards ESG are demonstrating how our industry is able to help solve some of the most pressing challenges facing society. The NOIA ESG Excellence Award will recognize specific technologies, approaches, methods, or projects with direct and demonstrable impacts on improving, progressing, and elevating ESG performance.

This competition is open to all NOIA member companies, competing in one of two categories judged separately with their own winners:

1. **Category 1: Operators & Developers**: Companies whose primary business is the direct production, extraction, or development of energy or ocean resources. This includes oil and gas operators, offshore wind developers, and ocean mineral companies.
2. **Category 2: Service, Supply & Support**: All other NOIA member companies that enable, support, or supply the offshore energy industry. This category is intentionally broad and includes drilling contractors, oilfield services and equipment companies, marine vessel and aviation operators, geophysical and engineering firms, manufacturers and suppliers, finance and professional services firms, law and lobbying firms, trade publications, and non-profit and research organizations.

This entry form is for Category 1: Operators & Developers. If your company belongs to Category 2, please use the separate Service, Supply & Support entry form. If you are unsure which category applies, contact NOIA SVP of Communications Justin Williams at jwilliams@noia.org before submitting.

Submission deadline is Friday, September 4, 2026. Please read this entry form carefully and provide all information requested.

Part I: General Information

This information is used by both NOIA staff and judges. Please ensure the primary contact is the person best positioned to answer questions about the submission.

Submission Name *(title of the program, project, or initiative being submitted)*:

Company Name:

NOIA Industry Segment *(e.g., Oil & Gas Operator, Oil & Gas & Wind Operator, Wind Developer, Ocean Minerals)*

Primary Contact *(judges and NOIA staff may reach out to this person directly about the entry)*

Name:

Title:

Phone:

Email:

Secondary Contact / Technical Expert *(optional - recommended if a different person has deeper technical knowledge of the submission)*

Name:

Title:

Phone:

Email:

Company Address
Street:
City:
State:
Zip:

Part II: Selection Criteria

Please provide clear and concise responses to each criterion below. Supporting documentation is encouraged but the full submission must not exceed 20 pages. A panel of judges will evaluate responses to determine which company, or companies, best met the award criteria. Judges may request additional information to verify or clarify any response. *Note: Supporting documentation is used for illustrative purposes only and will not be used to score the submission*.

1. Supporting the NOIA Foundational ESG Principles

Explain how your submission reflects the NOIA Foundational ESG Principles and demonstrates a genuine commitment to ESG performance:

1. NOIA member companies provide the energy that is essential for our everyday lives and raise the quality of life in our communities, reducing poverty and hunger while promoting good health and well-being. The submission should illustrate how the company's operations contribute to improving the quality of life, reducing social disparities, and promoting well-being within the communities it serves.
2. Operating in coastal and ocean environments, the company should demonstrate a strong commitment to safety, health, environmental protection, and sustainability as core values. The submission should outline the company's initiatives, policies, and practices that prioritize the protection of coastal and ocean environments while ensuring the well-being and safety of employees and stakeholders.
3. The company should exhibit a commitment to a high standard of corporate citizenship and continuous improvement in environmental, social, and governance (ESG) performance. The submission should highlight the company's ongoing efforts to enhance ESG performance, including any initiatives, strategies, or programs aimed at achieving measurable and meaningful progress.
4. Recognizing the risks of climate change and the need for continued action, the company should showcase its role as an innovator and commitment to contributing solutions and best practices to optimally balance societal and environmental needs. The submission should provide specific examples of the company's innovative approaches, technologies, or practices that address climate change and/or contribute to sustainable development.

2. Institutionalization

Describe the ESG model or system your organization has built to achieve this result — whether through operational programs such as emissions reduction targets, environmental management systems, workforce safety, community investment, or governance frameworks embedded in your development and production activities. Address the investment in resources — time, personnel, capital, and equipment as applicable — that made it possible, and identify the person, process, or implementation approach that drove the change. Explain what makes this systemic rather than a one-off effort.

3. Achievement

Describe how this entry represents a significant ESG achievement beyond normal company operations. Provide specific examples and metrics demonstrating progress on environmental, social, and/or governance goals.

4. Documentation

Provide documentation of the actual or reasonably anticipated tangible results of your submission. This may include internal reports, third-party audits, case studies, client testimonials, or data.

5. Industry Adaptability

Describe how your ESG approach could serve as a model for other operators and developers and, where applicable, offer broader lessons for the offshore energy industry at large — including the service, supply, and support companies that work alongside you. Explain which elements are transferable and how other operators or developers of different scales, resource types, or geographies could realistically adopt them.

Please email a PDF version of your submission to Justin Williams at jwilliams@noia.org by Friday, September 4, 2026. You will receive a confirmation email within 48 hours. Submissions exceeding 20 pages will be returned.