Agri Investor Global Awards

Frequently asked questions

What information should I submit?

The **core details are the most important**. If you're entering a deal category, for example, who is the buyer, the seller, what is the value of the deal and the type of asset? For fundraising categories, what is the name of the fund, launch date, close date and final close amount?

Be sure to provide a description of **no more than 500-words** per category to showcase the **outstanding features** of your nomination and **make clear why your submission is relevant**.

Please provide as much detail as possible and **clearly label what is confidential about your submissions**, otherwise we reserve the right to use the content you submit in our write-ups.

What goes into our categories?

It probably goes without saying but all award nominations are inherently subjective. Our choices take into account a mixture of **qualitative and quantitative criteria**, including non-financial considerations, when selecting what goes into each category. We are looking for evidence of how active, but also how innovative, a firm has been. To use a deal example, we don't just nominate the biggest deals of the year – though of course those will feature – but we also look for transactions that are unique in some fashion.

We can, however, give you some pointers based on the broad categories:

Fund Manager of the Year: This category tries to capture everything of note a manager has done over the preceding 12 months. This includes deals, both on the buy-side and sell-side; funds raised or being raised; and other noteworthy initiatives. We privilege **all activities that have closed or reached a conclusion** within the 12-month period we are examining, but, unlike in other categories, we will consider initiatives, fundraisings and deals that have started, but not yet concluded.

Fundraising of the Year: In this category, we are only looking at fundraising processes which have **reached a final close** within the 12-month period under consideration. Fundraisings that have started or are still underway will not be considered. Regional fundraisings will consider whether a fund will **invest a significant portion of its capital** in the region for which it is being nominated, as well as its ability **to attract LPs from that region**. Global fundraisings will measure a fund's ability **to invest and attract LPs from across the globe**.

Deal of the Year: At the project and M&A level, only deals that have **achieved financial close** will be considered – we will not consider deals in any other stage of the process. Commitments to platforms are trickier, since we accept not all of the funds raised or announced will be disbursed in the 12-month period under consideration. However, we feel the time of announcement should determine eligibility, taking into account that

disbursements will take place over many years and we won't necessarily have visibility into yearly disbursements.

Natural Capital Fund Manager of the Year: Natural capital is a term that has come to describe the farmland and timberland assets classes as a whole, as well as the emerging subsectors within these assets such as carbon capture, biodiversity, ocean rehabilitation and so much more. For this category, we are interested in the latter – we want to know about projects, strategies and initiatives that are restoring natural capital by developing sound investment structures whose positive impacts stand up to scrutiny and external verification.

What are the deadlines?

Entries close November 30, 2026.

Winners will be revealed in Q1 2027.

For anything else and if you experience any technical difficulties using the submissions form, please send an email directly to this address.

Good Luck!