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US-Ireland Business Awards 2027

AmCham's prestigious awards to recognise inspiring individuals, teams and organisations who have strengthened the US-Ireland business, trade and investment relationship.

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US-Ireland Business Awards

AmCham's annual US-Ireland Business Awards are presented in three categories:

Global Leadership Award

Global Impact Award

Global Community Award



A word from AmCham's CEO

"AmCham's US-Ireland Business Awards present a unique opportunity to recognise the powerful, positive impact that individuals, companies and organisations involved in the US-Ireland transatlantic relationship have on our society and economy" **- Paul Sweetman**

Global **Leadership** Award

This Award is presented to an individual who has had a significant, positive impact on US-Ireland business relations.

The recipient is recognised as someone who is committed to inclusion and gender equality and the impact honoured by the Award is one that is independently and verifiably recognised – beyond the individual's own organisation.

The recipient could come from a wide range of spheres including but not limited to – business, education, research, public sector, cultural.





Previous recipients include

2026 - **Graham Abell** - Workday
2025 - **Lorna Martyn** - Fidelity Ireland
2024 - **Gerry Kilcommins** - Medtronic
2023 - **Martin Cotter** - Analog Devices (ADI)





An individual does not have to be Irish or American to be considered for this Award. Any individual may be considered for this Award, regardless of country of birth or residence, if they meet the other criteria for this Award.

Examples might include:

- A leadership figure from a US or Irish multinational with transatlantic operations.
- A leader from the higher education and/or research communities who has enhanced transatlantic cooperation.
- Someone recognised as having had a very positive impact on the transatlantic trade and investment landscape.



Member Testimonial

"I thought the event was really great this year - full of energy and enthusiasm, which is welcome during a time of such global uncertainty."

Global **Impact** Award

This Award is presented to a team/organisation for a project that has had a significant positive, global or international impact on markets or society.

This impact could be in areas including but not limited to research, development and innovation , talent development , Advanced manufacturing/industry 4.0-5.0 , digitisation/artificial intelligence , sustainability, or supply chain innovation.

The impact of the project is independently recognised/measured and has a transatlantic, international or global impact.





Previous recipients include

2026 - **Aerogen** for Project Aerogen Solo and its advancements in global respiratory and neonatal care.
2025 - **Alltech** for their strategic vision, Working Together for a Planet of Plenty®.
2024 - **Intel Ireland** for their Fab 34 manufacturing facility.
2023 - **ICON** for its significant role in the search for vaccines and treatments for Covid-19.



This Award is open to teams and organisations based on the island of Ireland. This could include:

- The Irish operations of a US headquartered and controlled multinational company (MNC).
- Higher Education Institutions (HEI), Research Centres or institutes based on the island of Ireland with links to the US corporate sector.
- Irish (island of Ireland) Micro Enterprises or SMEs with links to the US corporate sector.



The project/team/organisation must be nominated by someone on the team/in the organisation who has been involved in the nominated project.

The organisation must also be able to demonstrate its commitment to the US-Ireland trade and investment relationship and it's contribution to US-Ireland relations.

The team/organisation demonstrate a commitment to inclusion and gender-balance. They also demonstrate a commitment to sustainability.

Member Testimonial

"Please extend our sincere thanks to the judges for considering our project. We truly appreciate the recognition of the team's efforts. It was an honour to be considered among such outstanding programs, and the event was a fitting tribute to the dedication shown by the team."

Examples of the types of projects that might be considered for the Global Impact Award include:

- Breakthrough research innovation that has measurable transatlantic/global impact.
- Innovations in digitisation; operational excellence; supply chain management that have had transatlantic/global application.
- Development and implementation of talent development programmes that have had transatlantic/global application.





AmCham's FDI Insights Survey

AmCham's annual US-Ireland Business Awards showcase the impactful work being undertaken by AmCham members, which supports the confidence identified in AmCham's Quarterly FDI Insights survey where **9 in 10 respondents identify that their corporate headquarters have a positive view of Ireland as an investment and growth location, based on the experience of their Irish operations in the last 12 months**,

Global **Community** Award

This Award is presented to an individual, team or organisation, including US MNCs, that has had a positive societal/community impact in an area that is aligned with the values of AmCham and our membership.

This Award is open to individuals, teams or organisation based on the island of Ireland, with links to the US corporate sector.





Previous recipients include:

2026 - **Institute of Study Abroad Ireland** for creating profound educational and cultural diaspora connections.

2025 **- Microsoft Ireland and Maynooth University** for the initiative addressing inequalities regarding access to STEM careers.

2024 - **Bank of America** for its Mná na hÉireann, Women of Ireland Fund .

2023 - **Qualtrics** 5 for the Fight EMEA.



This could include individuals, teams or organisations from:

- The NGO sector,
- Charitable organisations,
- Public sector,
- The Irish operations of a US headquartered and controlled multinational company MNC
- Higher Education Institutions (HEI), Research Centres or institutes based on the island of Ireland with links to the US corporate sector
- Irish (island of Ireland) Micro Enterprises or SMEs with links to the US corporate sector



The Award can be presented for a specific project or for the overall impact of an individual, organisation or team. Areas for recognition include:

- Advancing gender equality
- Championing inclusion
- Reducing social discrimination/disadvantage
- Enabling education attainment

The impact of the individual, team or orgainsation is independently recognised/measured and has a transatlantic, international or global impact.

Networking

AmCham's Annual Dinner provides a great networking opportunity for nominees, members and stakeholders. This event is **attended by senior representatives of US companies and businesses involved in the transatlantic relationship**, alongside **stakeholders from key Government Departments and State Agencies**.

Examples of the individuals, organisations, teams or projects that might be considered for the Global Community Award include:

- An individual/organisation that has removed barriers/enable greater female participation in STEM subjects/careers.
- An individual/organisation that has enabled the acquiring of digital literacy in communities where it otherwise might not have happened.
- An individual/organisation that has made a positive difference to achieving mental wellbeing.





Media Partnership

AmCham's media partner for our Annual Dinner and US-Ireland Business Awards is The Irish Times.

The **shortlisted projects** for the Global Impact Award and Global Community Award will be **announced in The Irish Times in March 2027**.



The **Nominations** Process

Applications for the 2027 US-Ireland Business Awards open on October 29th, 2026.

The deadline to submit nominations is December 4th, 2026.

You can submit an application for the AmCham 2027 US-Ireland Business Awards by clicking on the relevant box below.

Global Leadership

Global Impact

Global Community

All successfully shortlisted organisations will be announced in March 2027, ahead of the Awards presentation in May.





Media Partnership

Following AmCham's Annual Dinner and US-Ireland Business Awards, additional focus is placed on the award recipients in a **sponsored content article** published in The Irish Times.







When you submit a nomination will receive an automatic confirmation that your nomination has been received.

There is no limit to the number of nominations you can submit to each award category and there is no entry fee for these Awards.

Please be aware that multiple applications from the same organisation in the same category will be in competition with each other.

Our independent panel of judges will meet and decided on the winners for each of the three award categories, and may decide on a shortlist of nominees for the Global Impact Award and the Global Community Award.

Note: *All decisions of the independent judging panel will be final and the American Chamber of Commerce Ireland will not enter any discussions or correspondence on the basis of the panel's decisions.*

Member Communications

The shortlisted nominees for Global Community Award and Global Impact Award are **highlighted to AmCham's full membership** through AmCham's **FDI Focus** and **Spotlight** e-zines.



The **Independent Judging** Panel

AmCham has convened an independent judging panel, with expertise across a broad range of disciplines, to ensure that all applications received are rigorously assessed to the highest international standards.

Following the close of receipt of applications, all nominations will undergo an initial compliance review to ensure that applications assessed for these awards are presented in the spirit of the awards and support the mission of the American Chamber.

AmCham reserves the right not to assess applications deemed to have the potential to damage stakeholder relationships or attract adverse publicity or public comment.





US-Ireland Business Report 2027

Advertising packages are **currently available** for **AmCham's 2027 US-Ireland Business Report**. Advertising packages include a full-page advertisement and a full page of thought-leadership to showcase the work of your organisation. For more information, **contact Aoife O'Brien**, AmCham's Communications Manager at **a.obrien@amcham.ie**.







The judging panel reserves the right to move applications between categories. If this is the case, entrants will be notified of such a change.

The American Chamber of Commerce Ireland will not enter any discussions or correspondence on the basis of these decisions or the judging panel's determinations.

Members of the independent judging panel include:
Professor Brian MacCraith – Former President of Dublin City University – Judging Panel Chair
Ms Anne Anderson – Former Irish Ambassador to the United States
Mr Stuart Dwyer – Former Acting US Ambassador to Ireland
Ms Carin Bryans – Former Managing Director – JP Morgan
Mr Barry O'Sullivan – Former Chairman – Shannon Estuary Economic Taskforce
Mr Lionel Alexander – Chair - Digital Manufacturing Ireland
Professor Anita Maguire - Royal Irish Academy

AmCham's 2027 Flagship Events

Global Business Conference
Croke Park, 24 Feb.

Annual Dinner
Clayton Burlington, 27 May

Independence Day Lunch
Clayton Burlington, 2 July

West North West Conference & Dinner
Galway Bay Hotel, 9 Sept.

Southern Conference & Dinner
Maryborough Hotel, 23 Sept.

Mid West Conference & Dinner
Strand Hotel, 21 Oct.

Thanksgiving Lunch
Clayton Burlington, 25 Nov.

The **Awards** Night

The winners of all three award categories will be presented with their Awards on **Thursday, May 27th, 2027**, at the 2027 AmCham Annual Dinner in the Clayton Burlington Hotel, Dublin.

Each winning individual team and organisation will receive a specially commissioned award. Their achievements will be profiled prominently in The Irish Times and amongst the stakeholders of the American Chamber of Commerce Ireland.





Other **Information**





Please note if successful, shortlisted companies and their US partners will be publicly promoted in print media and online. By entering these awards, you consent to such promotion activities. It is the applicant's responsibility to highlight if any specific aspects of the research project are confidential in the application form.

You can also book seats and tables for AmCham's Annual Dinner and US-Ireland Business Awards via AmCham's Member Portal.

For more information, or with any queries, please email info@amcham.ie

AmCham's Member Portal

You can use AmCham's member portal to register for events and programmes, join AmCham networks, view company engagement, manage invoicing and payments and keep up-to-date with the latest developments.



AmCham is privileged, through our Annual **US-Ireland Business Awards**, to recognise the **positive impact** that you, and your teams are having to **benefit the transatlantic relationship, our society and our economy**.

We are committed to supporting you, and your teams, in the work you do.

Click on the relevant button below to apply

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