Up to five Awards may be conferred on individuals who have

a) Made a special contribution to the Art and Science of Anaesthesiology; or
b) Helped to promote or establish Anaesthesia initiatives anywhere in the world; or
c) Provided distinguished service to the WFSA based on the following: An individual who has served at least 8 years as a WFSA Officer, Council or Committee member and who has provided exceptional service in this or another capacity to the WFSA and the international anaesthesia community.

Note: Service as an Officer of the WFSA does not automatically quality for this Award.
WFSA Rising Star Award

This is a new Award, set up to celebrate the achievements of up to two trainees or new consultant (attending) anaesthesiologists* who have shown exceptional promise and made a significant impact in their own hospital and beyond. Rising stars stand out from the crowd and make a real difference to their patients, team and the profession as a whole. This Award aims to recognise talent within the next generation of anaesthesiology leaders worldwide. It is open to global nominations from all regions of the world.

*) having been a consultant (attending) anaesthesiologist for less than five (5) years.

Nomination & Selection Process:

The Awards, including the nomination process, will be advertised on the WFSA website with a link to an online application form to be completed on Awards Force. Submitted applications must be accompanied by nominees’ CV/resume and at least three (3) letters of support, of which one must be from the individuals’ Member Society.

Nominations may be made in several ways, noting that self-nominations are not allowed:

- Member Societies will be asked for nominations;
- Presidents of WFSA Regional Sections and members of WFSA Council may also nominate candidates.

All complete nominations submitted by the deadline of 28 July 2023 will be reviewed by a selection committee; any information submitted after this date will be disregarded. The decision of the Committee will be approved by the Board and ratified by the Council.

Presentation of Awards

Award-winners will be notified by the WFSA President and the Awards conferred at the 18th World Congress of Anaesthesiologists (WCA) in March 2024. They will be presented with a physical recognition of their Award and will also receive free registration for WCA2024 along with four nights’ accommodation in Singapore. The photos and biographies of the Award recipients will be posted on the WFSA website.