

Watts Humphrey Awards 2022

Present your practice

November 11, 2022 | Friday
1.30 PM - 7.00 PM IST



What is Watts Humphrey Awards?

Watts Humphrey Awards is a Prestigious recognition from SPIN Chennai initiated to honor the software engineering Guru Dr. Watts Humphrey. This was initiated immediately after his untimely demise in 2010. Prior to that he had a strong relationship with SPIN Chennai between 2000 and 2010 culminating in establishing of a Watts Humphrey Institute at Chennai

Teams from various organizations across industries are invited to nominate their practice / case study. Jury will evaluate the submissions (offline) and shortlisted teams will be invited to present their story and showcase their practices on the day of the awards in front of the Grand Jury.

The team that best exemplify, articulate and demonstrate the practices on the theme will be awarded with Grand Plaque, Certificates, Cash awards and Presentation slot at next SPICON (Intl Conference).

Motivated by the success of the award we launched in the past years, we are making it bigger, better and more grandeur this time.

Introduction

The business world is rapidly moving towards digital transformation. Whether it is in improving customer experience or in operational processes or in creating new products and services, the processes are continually evolving. Software which has become the core of all industries is continually improving and morphing. Software development and management processes for discovering new ways to improve the front-end processes towards customer, execute rapidly to provide more releases with automation into production as well as execute efficiently and effectively in the backend are undergoing a clear transformation.

There are 6 attributes mentioned in Kautilya's Arthashastra which is called as "**Sadgunya**". These have begun to have more influence on organizations and business. The modern 6 forces are (1) Agile, Product Centric Delivery Models, DevSecOps, and SRE, (2) Intelligent Process Automation, (3) Innovation (Institutionalization, Tools and Techniques, IP Creation, Design thinking) (4) ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance related) (5) Quality 4.0 (CMMI & High Maturity Processes) and (6) Industry 4.0 and Digital Transformation (Case studies around Cloud, SMAC, IOT, AI-ML, Blockchain, 5G, Digital Twins, AR/VR, Cyber Security, Supply chain automation, Control Towers, Warehouse Automation, Real-time tracking and others).

Hence, this year, SPIN Chennai has chosen "Technologies and Processes transforming organizations and business" as the theme with 6 sub-themes on which case studies are being invited under Watts Humphrey Awards 2022.

Theme

2022

Excellence at
Scale

Broad Topics / Guidance ★

Submit your stories / practices on the topics below

| Methods of Excellence | Innovation | Digital Transformation |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Agile | Design Thinking | Cloud, SMAC |
| Product Centric Delivery Model | Future of Work | IOT, AI-ML |
| DevSecOps | Innovation Products & Frameworks | Blockchain, Cyber Security |
| Site Reliability Engineering (SRE) | Blue Ocean Strategy | Supply Chain 4.0, Control Towers |
| Lean IT and Optimization / Six Sigma | ESG | Metaverse, AR-VR-XR |
| Quality 4.0 (CMMI & High Maturity Processes) | Innovation Institutionalization | Digital Twins |
| Intelligent Process Automation | Product Management, IP Management | Industry 4.0 |

Most importantly

1. Participants must submit new decks and not from any of past participation, until and unless significant advancements to the earlier submitted decks.
2. The practice/story should be adaptable, repeatable, innovative **or even the next practice**, and most importantly, it should be your practice which you can demonstrate with benefits and business value creation convincingly.
3. Customer endorsements and user endorsements are key add-ons to substantiate your case.

Prizes & Recognition

Large Company (>10000 employees)

Winner

- ★ Grand Plaque
- ★ Rs. 10000/- cash award to team
- ★ Certificates to the team
- ★ 2 Special tickets for next SPICON
- ★ Presentation slot at the next SPICON
- ★ 1 year SPIN membership
- ★ WH Hall of Fame

Runner

- ★ Grand Plaque
- ★ Rs. 6000/- cash award to team
- ★ Certificate to the team
- ★ 2 Special tickets for next SPICON
- ★ Presentation slot at the next SPICON
- ★ 1 year SPIN membership

Small & Medium Company (≤10000 employees)

Winner

- ★ Grand Plaque
- ★ Rs. 10000/- cash award to team
- ★ Certificates to the team
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Agenda – November 11, 2022, Friday

1.30 PM - Post lunch session

2.00 PM - Welcome note & introduction

2.15 PM - Presentation by shortlisted teams and judging

4.15 PM - Break - Caffeine, Chai & Chatter

4.30 PM - Talk by Chief Guest

6.00 PM - Winner announcement & Awards ceremony

6.45 PM - Wrap up & Closure

Timeline

Aug
24,
2022

Sep 5,
2022

Sep 10,
2022

Sep 17,
2022

Oct 3,
2022

Nov 2
2022

Nov 11,
2022

First look launch

Teaser will be sent

Official launch

Emailer with all the necessary details will be sent to SPIN members and partners

Early Bird - Registration ends

Teams will have to make payment before 10th Sep and avail the Early Bird discount

Regular - Registration ends

Teams will have to make payment before 17th Sep and confirm their participation

Submission of final deck for review

Participating teams to submit their deck well before this date

Shortlist announcement

Teams selected by evaluation committee will be notified for presenting to the Grand Jury

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Steps to follow (Registrant)

1. Check out the link - <https://in.explara.com/e/watts-humphrey-awards-2022>
2. Pay the registration fee (Max 5 members / team) before 17th Sep 2022
3. Get your deck ready. (not more than 15 slides please)
4. Send your deck to admin@spinchennai.org / president@spinchennai.org before 3rd Oct 2022
5. You will be notified once your presentation is
 - a. Selected. That's awesome! Make your way to grand virtual venue for Watts Humphrey Awards 2022 presentation.
 - b. Even not selected. No worries! You may still walk into the virtual venue as a delegate / attendee.
6. You get < 15 mins only for the presentation and Q&A by the judges

Why should you participate?

1. Share your case study / best practices to wider software community
2. Win the prestigious software quality guru Dr. Watts Humphrey award
3. Get a chance to publish your case study in the prestigious international journal - IJITCE, UK - www.ijitce.co.uk
4. All the registrants / participants will get 1 year complimentary SPIN Chennai membership.
5. 30% discount from the regular price of upcoming SPICON International conference.
6. Join the elite Watts Humphrey gallery at SPIN Chennai website.

Thank you so much!

Ask us anything !

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