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[Annual awards get an overhaul, with new categories to align with Modern Civil Service vision](#) [1]

This year's Civil Service Awards have opened for entries, with a fresh focus on projects that are skilled, innovative and ambitious to align with the Cabinet Office's "vision" for the civil service.

Nine awards will be presented under the three categories, which form a key plank of the Modern Civil Service document published by the Cabinet Office in June. The document set out a vision for a civil service that invests in skills, champions expertise and creates opportunities to reflect the country it serves; finds new ways to solve problems and improve people's lives, and makes good use of data and technology; and delivers excellence in project and public service delivery, while making it easy to collaborate and provide a seamless experience for the public.

For this year's awards, which are now in their 16th year and will be awarded in December, three gongs will be given under the "skilled" heading: the Excellence in Delivery Award, the Developing People Award and the Inclusivity Award.

Under the "innovative" heading come the Best Use of Data and Technology Award, the Science and Innovation Award and the Evaluation and Analysis Award.

And the "ambitious" title covers the Programme Management Award, the Productive Partnerships Award and the One Civil Service Award.

Only the Developing People Award has returned unchanged from [last year's lineup](#) [2], which included categories specifically recognising excellence in communication, inspirational leadership, commercial and policy and the use of evidence, among other things.

Outside the three core categories, the Rising Star Award will make a return for this year's ceremony, recognising high achievers in the first five years of their civil service careers.

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