

The Philippines' FSI heavyweights to compete for the industry's most prestigious titles at WFIS Awards 2026

WFIS Awards 2026 celebrates the Philippines' top FSI leaders and innovators, recognising excellence across 10 prestigious industry categories.

MANILA, METRO MANILA, PHILIPPINES, August 14, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In the wake of breakthrough innovations and evolving consumer patterns, the Filipino financial sector has been maturing in scale, depth, and technological sophistication. Needless to mention, the National Strategy for Financial Inclusion 2022-2028 by the Central Bank of the Philippines (BSP) is further pushing the sector towards greater digital accessibility, innovation, and resilience. This whole paradigm shift has given rise to a new wave of BFSI experts who've been working relentlessly to close the market gaps with their expertise, sheer genius and next-gen ideas.

And as these trailblazing minds continue to shape the future of the nation's financial services, the industry is gearing up to recognise and celebrate their contributions. The upcoming edition of [World Financial Innovation Series \(WFIS\)](#), the country's most reputed BFSI platform, will applaud the top minds on its second day through its very exclusive segment - [WFIS Awards 2026](#).

Scheduled to take place on 26 August at Manila Marriott from 4 PM onwards, the awards show will bestow honor upon the Philippines' best financial sector experts across ten competitive categories including:

- IT Maestro of the Year
- GRC Advocate of the Year
- Data & Analytics Leader of the Year
- Retail Banker of the Year
- Marketing Leader of the Year
- Cyber Practitioner of the Year
- CX Innovator of the Year
- Woman Influencer in FSI
- Digital Banking Champion of the Year
- Wealth Management Expert of the Year

Nominations for WFIS Awards 2026 are now open at: [\[www.philippines.worldfis.com/awards-doc-submission/\]](https://www.philippines.worldfis.com/awards-doc-submission/)

The countdown is on for coveted professionals to earn a place among this year's honorees, with submissions closing on 18 August.

Adding further weight and prestige to the WFIS Awards 2026 is an eminent jury comprising some of the Philippines' most respected voices across banking, technology, cybersecurity, insurance, consulting, and financial services. The distinguished panel features Rhea Luz Valbuena, Executive Director, School of Computing & IT; Harrison Gue, Executive Director, Credit Card Association of the Philippines, Inc.; Anna Marie Pabellon, Audit & Assurance Leader, Deloitte Philippines; Gilbert Trinchera, Partner, Technology Consulting, KPMG; Charlie Valerio, Vice President, Philippines Chief Information Officer Association; Carlos "Titus" Manuel, President, Philippine Computer Society; Blesilda Andres, Former President, Bankers Institute of the Philippines, Inc.; and Francisco PAPA, Executive Director, Insurance Institute for Asia and the Pacific.

With an eminent jury of this caliber, the WFIS Awards 2026 is poised to set a new benchmark for excellence, leadership and innovation in Philippine financial services. Beyond recognising individual achievements, the evening will bring together over 600 of the country's most influential BFSI leaders, technology pioneers and decision-makers for an exclusive celebration of industry excellence. The awards ceremony will culminate in an elegant Gala Dinner, complemented by curated entertainment, cocktails and high-value networking - creating an evening that blends recognition, celebration and meaningful connections.

Since its inception, the WFIS Awards has championed the individuals driving transformation across the Philippine financial services ecosystem, giving exceptional leaders the recognition they deserve on one of the industry's most influential stages. From technology and digital banking to cybersecurity, data, customer experience and wealth management, the awards shine a spotlight on those turning bold ideas into measurable impact. With this year's edition set to bring together an even stronger line-up of industry frontrunners, WFIS Awards 2026 promises to be a defining celebration of the people shaping the future of Philippine BFSI.

For more information about the event, log on to:

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