

Anand Wong Selected as Global Icon Award in HR Leadership by IAOTP

The International Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP) will honor Anand Wong at their Annual Awards Gala in NYC at the Plaza Hotel

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, September 3, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The International Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP), a leading global professional organization known for its prestigious annual [awards gala](#) and exclusive vetting process, recently selected [Anand Wong](#) as Global Icon in HR Leadership for 2026 for his outstanding leadership, dedication, innovation, and commitment to the field of human resources.

While inclusion with the International Association of Top Professionals is an honor in itself, the Global Icon Award in HR Leadership is a distinguished accolade presented to individuals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership, innovation, and dedication within their fields. This prestigious award recognizes professionals whose contributions have advanced workplace excellence, strengthened organizational cultures, and positively impacted the people and communities they serve. Mr. Wong has demonstrated a remarkable commitment to excellence throughout his career and has made a meaningful impact through his professional achievements, expertise, and dedication to human resources. Mr. Wong will receive this prestigious recognition at IAOTP's Annual Awards Gala in December at the iconic Plaza Hotel in New York City.

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With more than 25 years of leadership experience across Asia Pacific, Anand Wong's journey has evolved from corporate HR leader to solopreneur, and today, entrepreneur building business services, partnerships, and technology.

His entrepreneurial journey began with Atlas Waves HR Consulting, where he took decades of corporate & start-up HR experience and turned it into an independent advisory practice. Working closely with founders and business leaders, however, soon revealed something



important: business challenges rarely exist within one function.

What might begin as an HR issue could quickly connect to strategy, operations, technology, leadership, finance, or expansion into a new market. Yet the expertise businesses needed was often fragmented across different consultants, providers, technology vendors, and networks.

That realization became the catalyst for Anand's next chapter.

Atlas Waves evolved into Heron Resource Technologies - moving beyond a traditional HR consulting model to build a more connected business ecosystem around three pillars: Services, Partnerships, and Technology.



Through Services, Heron gives organizations flexible access to experienced leadership, HR and business capabilities. Through Partnerships, it connects businesses to a growing global ecosystem of specialist expertise across disciplines, industries, and borders. And through Technology, Heron helps organizations connect business needs with HRMS, ERP, enterprise systems, and emerging AI-enabled solutions.

The philosophy behind all three is simple: start with the business, not the solution.

This same belief also led Anand to co-found Treelis, a new B2B marketplace being built to create a global partnerships ecosystem - helping businesses discover trusted capabilities, build meaningful commercial relationships, and create opportunities across borders.

While HR remains the foundation of Anand's experience, his work today has expanded far beyond it. His journey has shaped a broader belief that businesses grow stronger when people, expertise, partnerships, and technology are connected rather than treated in isolation.

Anand's contributions to the HR profession have also received international recognition. He was named Top HR Leader of the Year 2025 and will be honoured with the Global Icon Award in HR Leadership 2026 at IAOTP's Annual Awards Gala at The Plaza Hotel in New York City.

He also holds an Executive Master of Science in HR & Global Leadership from Baruch College.

What started as one person building an HR consultancy has become something much bigger.

Today, Anand is building Heron as a connected business ecosystem, expanding its global partnerships, developing Treelis, growing a team, and creating technology designed around how businesses actually work.

At the heart of that evolution remains one belief: business is ultimately about people, relationships, and the possibilities we create together.

For more information, please visit: www.heronrt.com

About IAOTP

The International Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP) is an international boutique networking organization that selects the world's most distinguished and accomplished professionals across a wide range of industries. These elite professionals are provided opportunities to collaborate, share insights, serve as keynote speakers, and inspire others within their fields. Membership is not open to the general public. Candidates must be personally invited by the President or nominated by an esteemed honorary member following a brief interview.

IAOTP's experts have recognized and credentialed thousands of top-tier professionals worldwide, helping them strengthen their personal brands and expand their influence. The organization prides itself on being a one-of-a-kind boutique network that handpicks only the most exceptional individuals and brings them together on a premier platform designed to foster meaningful connections and professional growth. IAOTP remains one of the most elite and highly respected professional recognition organizations in the world.

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