

# Invoice Lifecycle Management Awards Guidebook 2026

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## About Basware's ILM Awards

We are delighted to invite you to participate in the inaugural Invoice Lifecycle Management Awards. This guidebook will walk you through everything you need to know about our awards, nomination process, and how to showcase your achievements.

Whether you're an innovator, connector, architect or guardian of operational excellence, we want to celebrate your success and share your story with the wider Basware community.



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**Customer Awards**

# Award Categories & Descriptions

## Individual Awards



**The ILM Visionary Award:** For forward-thinking innovation and transformation, leveraging AI with autonomy and governance at the core. This award recognizes individuals who see beyond the status quo and champion breakthrough change with Invoice Lifecycle Management.



**The ILM Connector Award:** For enabling seamless collaboration across finance, procurement, suppliers, and systems to improve end-to-end AP performance and financial integrity. This award celebrates those who build bridges, break down silos, and create harmony across the entire financial ecosystem.



**The ILM Architect Award:** For building and scaling unified, efficient, standardized AP processes that improve performance, visibility, and enterprise control. This award honors those who design the blueprints for excellence and ensure sustainable transformation.



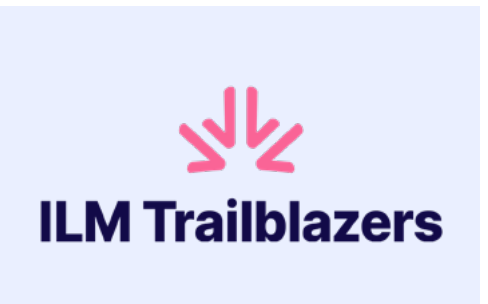
**The ILM Guardian Award:** For strengthening continuous compliance and fraud protection across the invoice lifecycle, keeping every decision auditable, explainable, and defensible. This award recognizes those who protect their organizations with vigilance, integrity, and strategic foresight.



## Team Awards



**ILM All Stars:** Recognizing outstanding collective achievement through process optimization, technology adoption, and measurable business impact across the invoice lifecycle. This award honors the AP team that has demonstrated exceptional performance, innovation, and dedication in transforming their organization's financial operations.



**ILM Trailblazers:** For newer customers or teams who adopted Basware's Invoice Lifecycle Management fast and make it count, delivering standout results in their first year or phase, showing strong momentum and exceptional potential. This award celebrates speed to value and the power of transformation from day one.

# Nomination Criteria

## Who Can Nominate?

Everyone in the Basware community is invited to take part. Customers, peers, partners, CSMs, if you've seen someone do remarkable work across AP, finance, or invoice lifecycle management, we want to hear about it.

Nominate yourself, a colleague, or a team you admire. This is our inaugural awards programme, and the more voices we have, the better we can celebrate the wins worth celebrating.

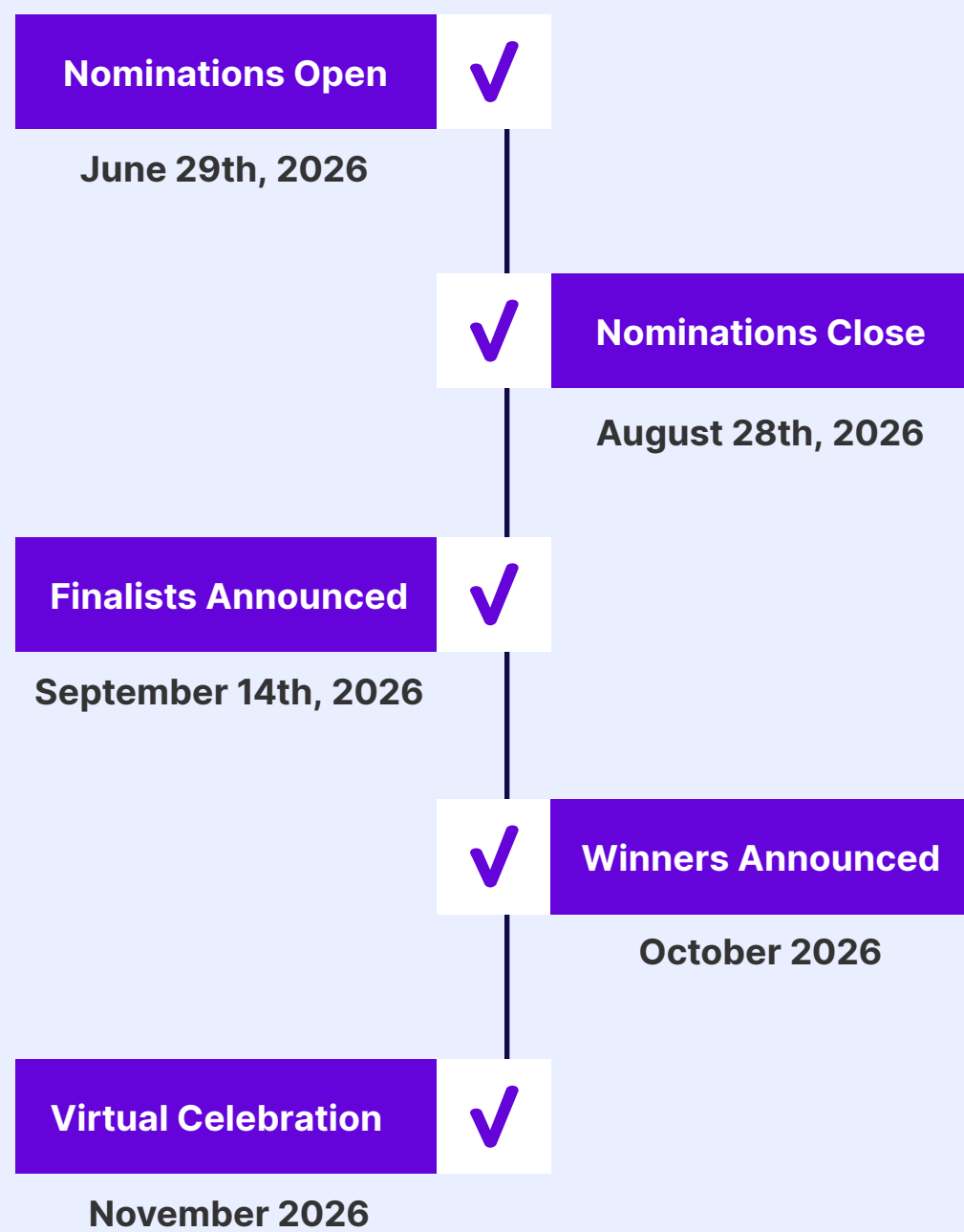
## How to Submit a Nomination?

Complete the award entry form. You'll be asked to answer the following:

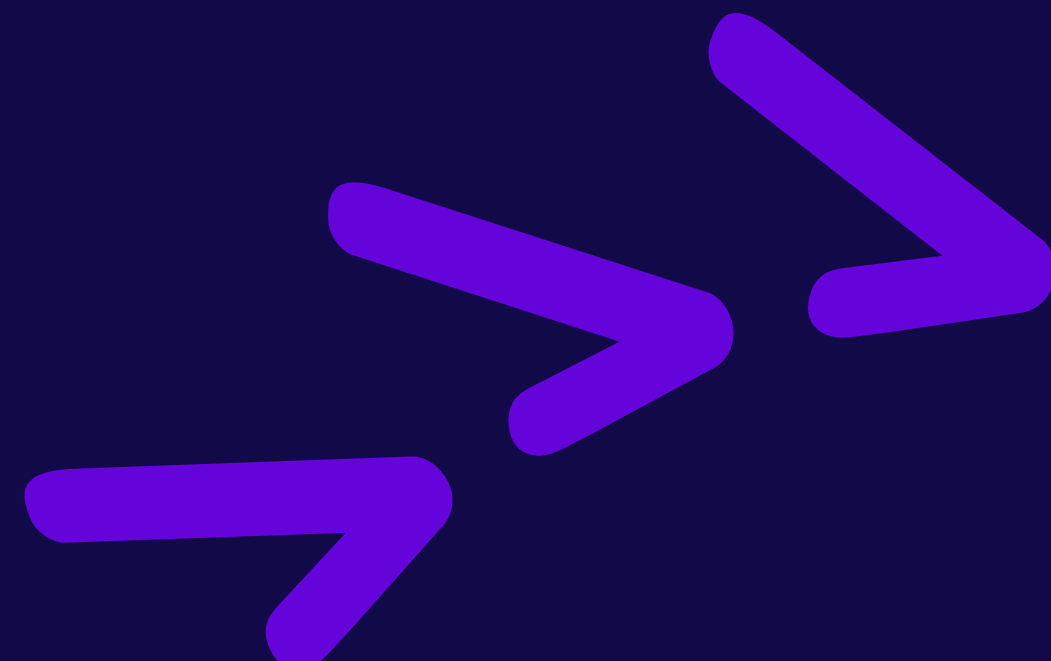
- Are you nominating yourself or someone else?
- About You section
- What product or product features are you using?
- What problem or situation were you facing and what made it difficult?
- What specific actions did you take and what made your approach different?
- What changed? Include at least one specific number – a percentage, time saving, or cost reduction.
- How far did this reach beyond your immediate team?
- Is there anything else you'd like us to know?

[Enter Now](#)

## Key Dates & Timelines



# Tips for a Winning Nomination



## Tell a Compelling Story

We want to understand the journey. Start with the challenge, explain your approach, and highlight the transformation. Use specific details and examples that bring your story to life.

## Pilots to progress

Numbers tell a powerful story. Include specific metrics such as cost savings, time reductions, efficiency gains or improvements in accuracy.

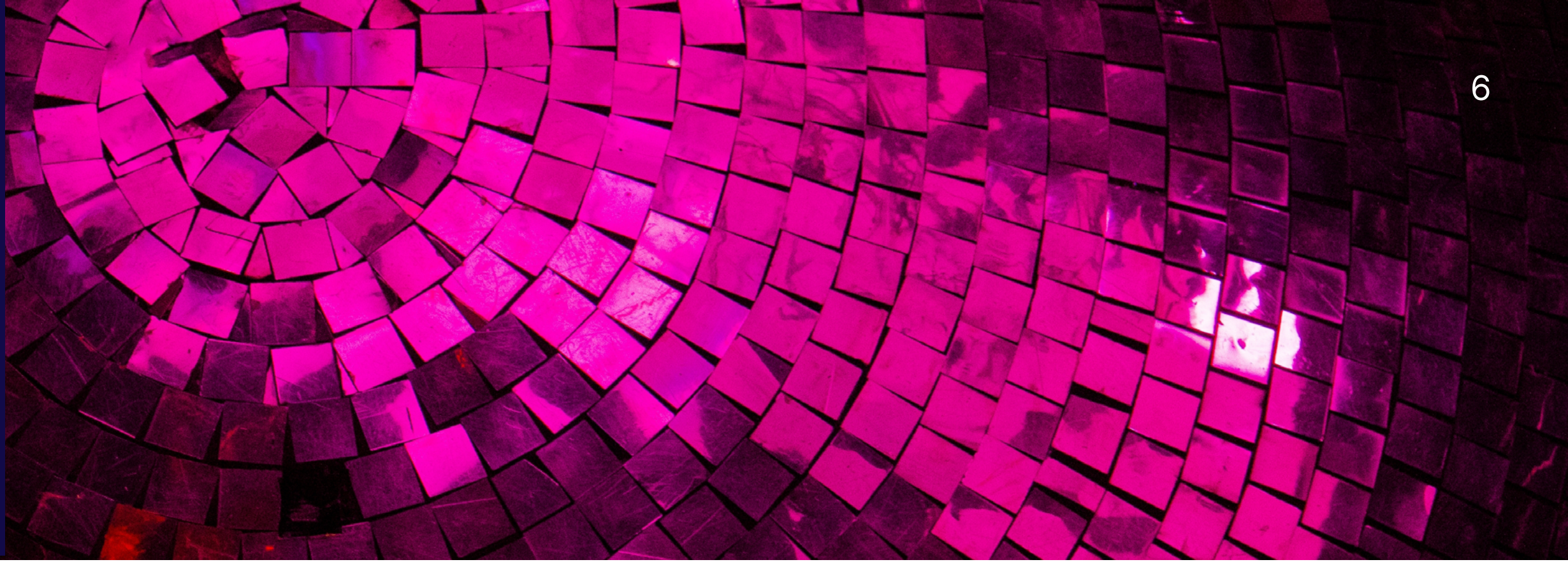
## Demonstrate Scope and Impact

How far did this reach? Did it transform one team, the entire AP department, the whole organization or even impact suppliers? The broader the ripple effect, the stronger the nomination.

## Highlight the Use of Basware Innovation

Reference to the specific Basware features and capabilities you leveraged. Whether it be... or ... we want to hear how you are... invoice lifecycle management.

# Frequently Asked Questions



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**What are the eligibility requirements?**

You must be a current Basware customer and opt in on the nomination form. Please see Terms and Conditions for additional information.

**Can I nominate myself?**

Yes! Self-nominations are welcomed and encouraged. Use the same form and provide the same level of detail you would for nominating someone else.

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**What if I work for a partner or a VAR?**

Partners and VARs are welcome to nominate customer contacts and colleagues.

**What are the winner selection criteria?**

Winners are selected based off the compelling nature of their business challenge, innovation of Basware products, measurable KPIs and willingness to share their name and story publicly.

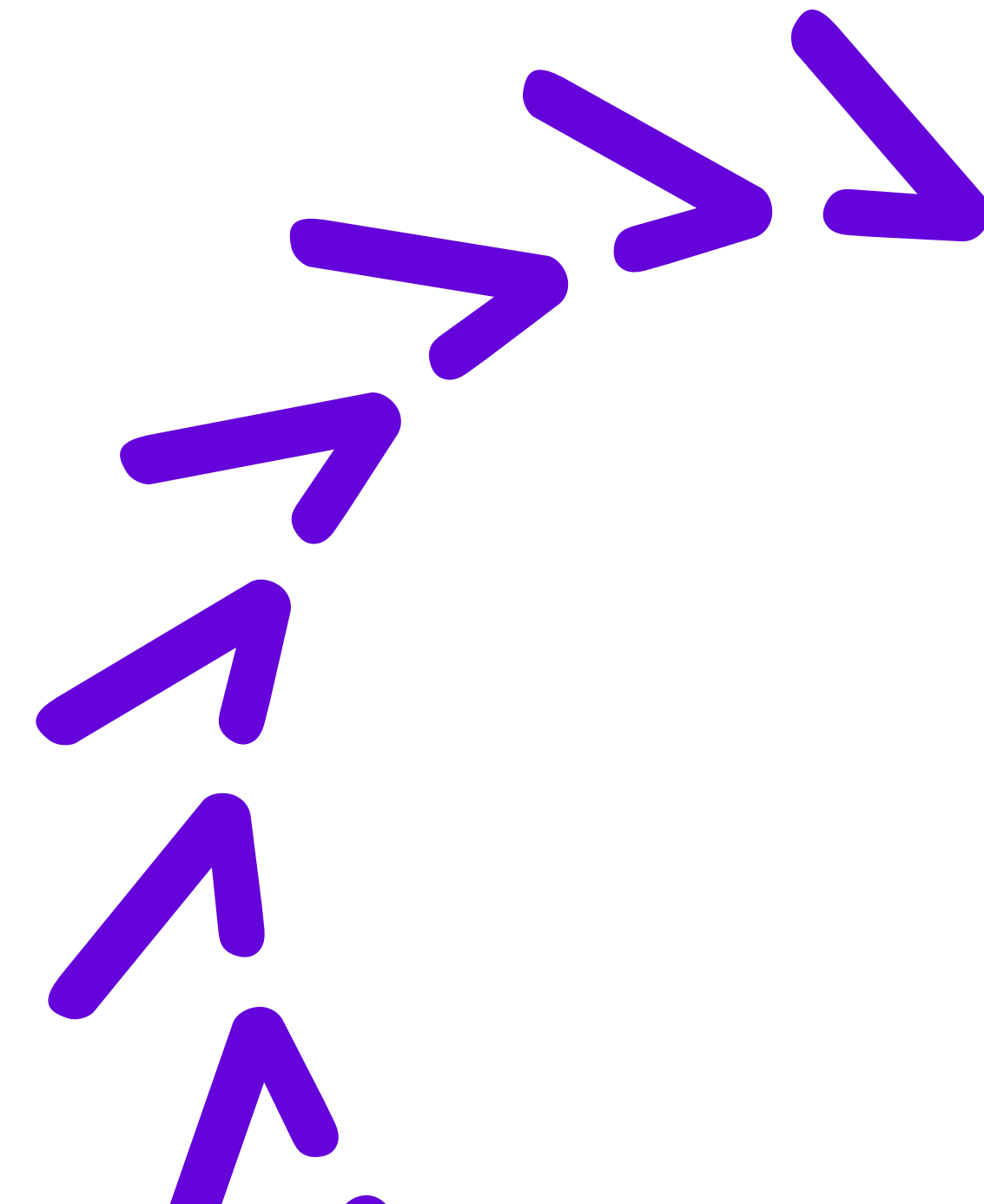
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**Will I be notified if I'm a finalist?**

Finalists will be notified directly, and their names and stories will be celebrated across Basware digital channels.

**I have a specific question that is not listed. How do I get in contact with you?**

We're here to help! Please reach out to [community@basware.com](mailto:community@basware.com).



# Nominate Now!



#### About Basware

Basware is the global leader in accounts payable automation and e-invoicing. We help finance and GBS teams process invoices more efficiently, comply with e-invoicing mandates across 60+ countries, and build the data foundation that makes AI in finance a reality. Our open network connects buyers and suppliers across 190+ countries, processing hundreds of millions of invoices annually. The research was conducted independently with FT Longitude and SSON Analytics. To learn more or calculate your AP business case, visit [www.basware.com](http://www.basware.com). **With Basware, now it all just happens.** ©Basware 2026

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