



2025

AGIF Awards

Award Winners

ASIAN GOLF INDUSTRY FEDERATION • CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE IN GOLF

AWARD CATEGORIES

 Women In Golf Leadership

Recognising outstanding women who have driven change, growth, and leadership within the golf industry.

 Outstanding Contribution To Golf

Honouring individuals whose long-term dedication has significantly shaped and advanced the sport.

 Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

Celebrating clubs, resorts, and organisations that have expanded access and participation in golf.

 Excellence In Innovation

Recognising companies introducing pioneering technologies and solutions to the golf sector.

 Rising Star

Spotlighting emerging leaders who represent the future of golf in Asia and beyond.

The AGIF Awards recognise outstanding contributions to the golf industry across Asia and the world. Winners were selected from 11 countries spanning Southeast Asia, South Asia, East Asia, and North America.

2025 AWARD WINNERS BY COUNTRY

MALAYSIA

4 Awards

01 **Deborah Wong**

Women In Golf Leadership

First R&A Women's Referee from Malaysia, breaking barriers and setting a landmark precedent for women's participation in golf officiating at the highest international level.

02 **Zainal bin Mohd Shah**

Outstanding Contribution To Golf

Having served the golf industry for several decades, he continued his commitment after retirement by volunteering to drive the Certificate in Greenkeeping Program across Asia, and specifically in Malaysia and Singapore. His unwavering dedication to greenkeeping education makes him a truly worthy recipient.

03 **H.R.H. Tunku Imran**

Outstanding Contribution To Golf

Founded SportExcel in 1991, establishing Malaysia's first structured junior golf development pathway. Under his leadership the foundation nurtured talents including Ben Leong and Gavin Green. His focus on strong governance and sustainable funding has made SportExcel a lasting model for junior golf growth in Malaysia.

04 **Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club**

Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1 Award

01 **Trojan Battery Company**

Excellence In Innovation

A global leader in battery and power solutions, their recognition will help extend the visibility and reach of the AGIF Awards to a worldwide audience, underscoring the international dimension of innovation in golf.

SOUTH KOREA

1 Award

01 **Smartscore**

Excellence In Innovation

An aggressively growing company in the golf technology space, bringing cutting-edge digital scoring and management solutions to golf courses and tournaments, raising the bar for operational excellence across the region.

INDIA

3 Awards

01 **Champika Sayal**

Women In Golf Leadership

Secretary General of the Women's Golf Association of India. She founded the association and launched the Hero Women's Indian Open in 2007 — now in its 17th year. Her visionary leadership has fundamentally transformed the landscape for women's golf in India.

02 **Dilip Thomas**

Outstanding Contribution To Golf

Served on the APGC Board for 25 years and as an IGF Board member at the Rio Olympics. Personally and financially supported over 100 professional golfers at the start of their careers, leaving an indelible mark on the sport across the continent.

03 **DLF Golf & Country Club**

Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

PHILIPPINES

1 Award

01 **Orchard Golf & Country Club**

Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

SINGAPORE

2 Awards

01 **Joshua Ho**

Rising Star

CEO of the Singapore Golf Association (appointed 2025), former national golfer, SEA Games gold medalist, and 2018 Sports Awards honoree. He has strengthened SGA governance, expanded strategic partnerships, and is a key contributor to Singapore's golf development and high-performance programs.

02 **Tanah Merah Country Club**

Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

VIETNAM

2 Awards

01 **Vu Nguyen**

Rising Star

Former member of the Vietnam national amateur golf team, rising golf administrator, and driving force at the Vietnam Golf Association. A qualified referee and Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation representative on The R&A Rules of Golf Committee.

02 **Hoiana Resort & Golf**

Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

BRUNEI

1 Award

01 **The Empire Brunei**

Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

INDONESIA

1 Award

01 **Gading Raya Golf Club**

Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

PAKISTAN

1 Award

01 **Taimur Hassan Amin**

Outstanding Contribution To Golf

Has served on the Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation (APGC) Board for 25 years and as President for the past six years. His leadership has steered regional golf governance with distinction, cementing a legacy of service to the sport across Asia.

CAMBODIA

1 Award

01 **Vattanac Golf Resort**

Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game

SUMMARY OF ALL WINNERS

COUNTRY	WINNER / ORGANISATION	AWARD CATEGORY	TYPE
Malaysia	Deborah Wong	Women In Golf Leadership	Individual
	Zainal bin Mohd Shah	Outstanding Contribution To Golf	Individual
	H.R.H. Tunku Imran	Outstanding Contribution To Golf	Individual
	Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club	Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game	Org.
USA	Trojan Battery Company	Excellence In Innovation	Org.
South Korea	Smartscore	Excellence In Innovation	Org.
India	Champika Sayal	Women In Golf Leadership	Individual
	Dilip Thomas	Outstanding Contribution To Golf	Individual
	DLF Golf & Country Club	Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game	Org.
Philippines	Orchard Golf & Country Club	Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game	Org.
Singapore	Joshua Ho	Rising Star	Individual
	Tanah Merah Country Club	Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game	Org.
Vietnam	Vu Nguyen	Rising Star	Individual
	Hoiana Resort & Golf	Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game	Org.
Brunei	The Empire Brunei	Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game	Org.
Indonesia	Gading Raya Golf Club	Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game	Org.
Pakistan	Taimur Hassan Amin	Outstanding Contribution To Golf	Individual
Cambodia	Vattanac Golf Resort	Distinguished Contribution To Growing The Game	Org.
11 Countries	18 Winners	5 Award Categories	9 Ind. / 9 Org.



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