



Attention all radio stations and Independent Producers – Entries for IMRO Radio Awards 2023 are Now Open!

The time has come to shine a spotlight on the best of the best in Irish radio. The **IMRO Radio Awards 2023** are back and are calling on all stations to nominate their top talent for the ultimate recognition in the radio industry. **#IMRO23** is go, and it's time to get the edits made and put the entries together. The Gala Awards are being held on **Friday, October 6th 2023** and will return to the Lyrath Estate Hotel in Kilkenny.

Nominations are officially open, and we want to hear from you! Between June 1st 2022, and May 31st 2023 – the validity period for this year's Awards, which shows, presenters, and production teams, have been making waves on your station? Who has been keeping your listeners tuned in and pushing the limits of Irish radio?

We've got some seriously talented individuals working on air and behind the scenes, and we want to give them all the recognition they deserve. So put forward your best and brightest, and let's make the IMRO Radio Awards 2023 a celebration of the incredible work that goes on in our industry every single day.

Chris Doyle, Chairperson of the IMRO Radio Awards, said, *'It comes around so quickly, however, now is the time for stations to showcase their best output and get their entries in for the IMRO Radio Awards. We look forward to continuing the strong participation of the last number of years and would like to thank IMRO for its continued support of the awards.'*

Returning headline sponsors, IMRO Chairperson Eleanor McEvoy said, *'We are very proud to continue IMRO's involvement in the IMRO Radio Awards, an event that has now become the highlight of the year for all those who work in the broadcasting sector. Every year, the ceremony celebrates the achievements of some of the most talented individuals in the radio industry and recognises the hard work, dedication and creativity that has made them stand out among their peers. Their hard work does not go unnoticed, and the Radio Awards demonstrates that their contributions to the radio industry are deeply appreciated.'*

Remember, nominations close at 5 pm on June 29th. We can't wait to see who you put forward, and we look forward to celebrating with you at the awards ceremony. The IMRO Radio Awards 2023 is the ultimate celebration of our industry, and we can't wait to see what you've got in store.

Stay tuned for more information on the awards ceremony in the coming weeks, and in the meantime, keep those airwaves hopping!

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IMRO Radio Awards Committee

The Radio Awards Committee comprises 12 members representing all sectors of licensed commercial and public radio on the island of Ireland – RTÉ, BBC NI, and the independent commercial radio sectors in both the Republic and Northern Ireland.

IMRO

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Coimisiún na Meán

The media regulator Coimisiún na Meán was established on the 15th March 2023 further to the provisions of the Online Safety and Media Regulation Act 2022, and replaces the Broadcasting Authority of Ireland. An Coimisiún will continue to deliver the functions of the former BAI, including the licensing of radio and television services, the development of codes and rules in relation to programming and advertising standards, and administration of the Broadcasting Funding Scheme. In addition Coimisiún na Meán will begin establishing a regulatory framework for on-demand audiovisual services and online safety, and will undertake a media development role. More details can be found on its interim website available at www.cnam.ie