

susdrain SuDS Champion Nomination 2019



Nominated person	Professor Chris Digman
Name of their organisation or community	Stantec
Role in organisation or community	Technical Director
Role in championing SuDS	Industry guidance and innovation

Chris received two separate nominations, the nomination statements are presented together.

First nomination

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<p>Informing – how does this champion share good practice?</p>	<p>Chris has written industry leading guidance for CIRIA, DEFRA and EA, notably C635 and C713. He is co-author of the 4th edition of the international textbook ‘Urban Drainage’, leading on the SuDS chapter. He has published over 50 papers in conferences and journals. He plays an active role at the University of Sheffield, lecturing and providing strategic advice</p>
<p>Influencing – how has this champion dealt with challenges and shared their enthusiasm about SuDS?</p>	<p>Chris is continuously pushing the boundaries and offering and inspiring solutions such as the B&EST tool where he took a leading role.</p> <p>Wider industry involvement through universities and research institutions and reputation with many UK water companies and local authorities has been a great stage for SuDS.</p>

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How this person has demonstrably gone the extra mile to promote use of SuDS and why they deserve to be awarded the susdrain 2019 SuDS Champion Award

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He is one of the few individuals in the UK that crosses the industry-academia divide and is held in high regard in each. He has undoubtedly pushed forward the SuDS agenda and continues to inspire others and support development work across the UK.

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