## **CA Rising Stars 2026 Terms and Conditions**

# 1. Eligibility

The competition is open to all ICAS Chartered Accountants (CAs) who are aged 35 and under, as of 1 June 2026. Any CA or non-CA may nominate a candidate – or candidates. CAs who fall within the qualifying age group can also nominate themselves. Those still studying for the qualification are welcome to nominate someone, but only fully qualified CA members can be nominated.

#### 2. Submission of nomination

Entries must be submitted by completing the online form by 23.59hrs (GMT) on 16 March 2026. ICAS takes no responsibility for online entries delayed, incomplete or lost.

If successful, entrants nominated by peers will be notified of their nomination by email and given the option to withdraw from the competition should they so choose.

Entries will be treated in confidence and will not be circulated outside of judges and any selected employees of ICAS involved in the running of the competition.

### 3. Judging

All CA Rising Stars nominations will be assessed by a panel of judges, whose decisions are final and binding on nominees.

ICAS, or its representative River Group (as publisher of CA magazine), will contact the successful CA Rising Stars in April 2026 following the announcement of the shortlist on icas.com (only the nominees' names will be provided at this stage).

Nominees will be asked to confirm their place at the awards event in London on 4 June 2026 and to provide a suitable image for publication across ICAS channels.

### 4. Prizes

The 35 Rising Stars will be informed they have made the list and invited to the awards event in London, 4 June 2026, where the category and overall winner will be announced.

The CA Rising Stars winner will receive the opportunity to represent ICAS and Chartered Accountants Worldwide at the One Young World Summit in November 2026 in Cape Town, South Africa. ICAS will cover the costs of the event ticket, as well as any reasonable travel, accommodation, or other related expenses.

ICAS may at their absolute discretion select an alternative winner if the prize is declined or if the winner forfeits the prize by breaching any of ICAS' rules, regulations or standards.

### 5. Marketing

ICAS reserves the right to publish entrants' photos and biographical details with their permission. Information submitted as part of a nomination may be quoted or used in marketing materials or on our digital channels and shared internally at ICAS for other initiatives we think relevant. By entering this competition, you agree to the use and distribution of this personal information.

ICAS and CA magazine reserve the right to edit this information without notifying the nominee.

# 6. Announcement of winner

The CA Rising Stars shortlist will be announced in April 2026 on icas.com and other ICAS channels. The overall winner and category winners will be announced at the event in London on Thursday 4 June 2026.