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**SUBMISSION CRITERIA
& REQUIREMENTS
2025**

GENERAL ADMISSION CRITERIA & INFORMATION

The **Excellence in Construction Awards** are open to all individuals, companies, and organizations involved in the construction industry, regardless of size or specialty. Entries must demonstrate exceptional performance, dedication, and quality in their respective projects or practices. All systems, methods and initiatives presented must have been implemented or substantially progressed within the past 2 years. Entries should showcase efforts to, not only meet minimum standards and legislative requirements, but aim to exceed and provide meaningful contributions to advancing the local construction industry.

REGISTRATION

To participate in the **Excellence in Construction Awards**, all entrants are required to first register their interest through the official awards website. Upon registration, the organizing committee will review the details and provide a unique submission link to the applicant, enabling them to access the relevant categories for which they wish to enter. Only those who have completed the registration process will be eligible to proceed with submitting their entries.

SUBMISSION FEES

Contractors and Developers are encouraged to participate by submitting in as many categories as they see fit. Each submission will be subject to a fee of €150 for a single category, and to a fee of €50 per additional category. This flexibility allows entrants to showcase their work across a broad range of categories, increasing their chances of recognition. Payment details will be provided with the submission link correspondence.

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SUBMISSION ELIGIBILITY

Before any submission can be considered for an award, the entrant must ensure that the following conditions are met by the designated deadline:

- All required entry information, materials, and images must be fully submitted.
- The necessary consents and declarations related to the entry must be provided.
- All applicable entry fees must be paid in full.

Failure to meet these requirements will result in the entry being ineligible for consideration.

JUDGING

Each award is evaluated based on specific scoring criteria and weightings unique to that category, with the winning entry receiving the highest overall score. The judging process is entirely independent, and the judges' decisions are final. The judging panel reserves the right to re-categorize or reject any entry that fails to meet the requirements. Entries are assessed solely on the information and materials provided, and no details of the judges' deliberations or feedback will be disclosed. The judges' decisions will be considered final and no appeals will be accepted. No detailed feedback will be provided for individual entries.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

The Excellence in Construction Awards reserve the right not to award any category should the jury conclude that no submission is of sufficient standard.

The XCA reserves the right to use images of winning entries, in both print and digital media, for editorial and promotional purposes related to the Excellence in Construction Awards.

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DEDICATION TO SUSTAINABILITY

Entries will be judged on the clear commitment to sustainable practices, positive environmental impact and social contribution throughout the company's operations, including, emissions control, waste and water management, reuse and recycling measures, and use of renewables.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the measures and/or methods have been adopted which demonstrate a clear commitment to sustainable practices and positive environmental impact, such as to reducing the carbon footprint, reducing emissions, reducing waste (including water), sourcing sustainable materials/products, use of renewables and improving the energy efficiency of your company's daily operations, plant and machinery.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the measures that have been adopted by your company to reduce/reuse/recycle material following deconstruction of existing buildings/infrastructure and promote the principles of circular economy.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the measures your company takes to ensure social contribution and minimising inconvenience to the community in the vicinity of construction/installation projects.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects and daily practices (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.)

[Format: PDF; max. 5MB; max. 5 pages on paper size A4; max. 500 words]

[File name: *Companyname_Cat01_04*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s.

[Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial]

[File name: *Companyname_Cat01_05*]

QUALITY AND WORKMANSHIP

Entries will be judged on the demonstration of a clear commitment to delivering projects and products to the best possible quality standards, following well defined processes and procedures, effective communication, risk management, and handling of information.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the measures put in place on projects to ensure quality and consistency. Include reference to project management standards, contract management, supervision, conveying of information on site, quality assurance and control.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the procedures your company has in place to ensure adherence to designer's instructions, risk management, communications in case of deviations from the original intent and addressing defects.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of any routine audit procedures carried out in terms of handling of data (folder structures, availability of data, accessibility of data)

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects and daily practices (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.)

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[File name: *Companyname_Cat02_04*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s.

[Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial]

[File name: *Companyname_Cat02_05*]

WORKFORCE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Entries will be judged on companies' commitment to ensuring appropriate workforce skills, requirement of appropriate licences and certifications, promoting continuous training and development, and ensuring effective communication across the workforce.

You will be required to provide:

A description of your company's commitment to the training of employees. Refer to certification, licencing, and measures currently in place to encourage skills development, attendance to continuing professional development (CPD) courses, seminars, and workshops.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

An explanation of the language proficiency of your company's employees that ensures good communication on and off site. Refer especially to the proportion and level of English and Maltese proficiency.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to attendance certificates, qualifications, licences etc.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s.

[Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial]

[File name: *Companyname_Cat03_04*]

COMMITMENT TO WELLBEING, HEALTH & SAFETY

Entries will be judged on the demonstration of commitment to robust health and safety measures and initiatives, meeting and exceeding requirements not only to minimise risk of physical injuries, but also towards the holistic wellbeing of the workforce and the community, including processes to report and address injuries and near misses.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the procedures your company has in place to satisfy and exceed requirements stated in relevant local health and safety regulations, codes, and standards. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of your company's commitment through adoption of policies, SOPs, protective and preventive measures and initiatives towards the holistic wellbeing of workers, ongoing training, development of competences and health and safety awareness of employees. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the measures adopted to ensure safety and consideration towards the community. Include reference to implemented training, protective and preventive measures, supervision, reporting of these measures, communication and dissemination of information etc. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the procedures your company has in place in case of accidents, occupational diseases, dangerous occurrence or near misses at the workplace. Describe also any mental and physical wellbeing benefits and support available to employees. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects and daily practices (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.) [Format: PDF; max. 5MB; max. 5 pages on paper size A4; max. 500 words] [File name: *Companyname_Cat04_05*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s. [Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial] [File name: *Companyname_Cat04_06*]

INNOVATION, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Entries will be judged on companies' drive to search for and adopt innovative methods of working, actively engaging in research and development projects, and offering novel opportunities with the aim of transforming traditional practices in the local construction industry.

You will be required to provide:

A description of any initiatives that your company is currently engaged with to enhance the local construction sector, such as adoption of novel processes, product and technological innovations, progressive policies etc. Clearly demonstrate the benefit of the innovation towards transforming traditional practices in the local construction industry.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of any collaborations and outreach programmes your company is currently engaged in towards research and development of impactful innovations in the construction industry, for example with academic entities, startup companies etc.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

EXCELLENCE IN DEMOLITION AND EXCAVATION WORKS

Entries will be judged on the demonstration of a clear commitment to ensuring the highest safety standards and consideration towards the community during demolition and excavation works, meeting and exceeding requirements by ensuring adequate practices and processes are in place to carry out works with responsibility towards the workforce and the public.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the measures adopted to ensure safety and consideration towards the community and personnel on site. Include reference to contract management, risk management, workforce training and expertise, licensing, supervision, reporting etc.
[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the procedures put in place to ensure public inconvenience is kept to a minimum, including dust/noise control, traffic management, public safety, project management etc.
[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.)
[Format: PDF; max. 5MB; max. 5 pages on paper size A4; max. 500 words]
[File name: *Companyname_Cat06_03*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s.
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[File name: *Companyname_Cat06_04*]

EXCELLENCE IN INFRASTRUCTURAL AND CIVIL WORKS

Entries will be judged on the demonstration of a clear commitment to delivering infrastructural, civil and structural projects to the best possible quality standards, meeting and exceeding requirements by following well defined processes and procedures, effective communication, and risk management.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the measures put in place on projects to ensure quality and consistency. Include reference to supervision, conveying of information on site, contract management, project management, quality assurance and control.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the procedures your company has in place for risk management, ensuring adherence to designer's instructions and communications in case of deviations from original intents.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.)

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[File name: *Companyname_Cat07_03*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s.

[Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial]

[File name: *Companyname_Cat07_04*]

EXCELLENCE IN MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS

Entries will be judged on the demonstration of a clear commitment to delivering mechanical and electrical installation projects to the best possible quality standards, meeting and exceeding standards by following well defined processes and procedures, effective communication and resolution of challenges, and risk management.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the measures put in place on projects to ensure quality and consistency throughout execution of mechanical and electrical installation works. Include reference to supervision, conveying of information on site, contract management, quality assurance and control.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of specific instances whereby innovative or intelligent measures were implemented to overcome challenges throughout the M&E works. Provide details as to how these were identified, tackled and ultimately resolved.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the procedures your company has in place for risk management, ensuring adherence to designer's instructions and communications in case of deviations from original intents.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.)

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[File name: *Companyname_Cat08_04*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s.

[Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial]

[File name: *Companyname_Cat08_05*]

EXCELLENCE IN FINISHING WORKS

Entries will be judged on the demonstration of a clear commitment to delivering finishing works projects to the best possible quality standards, meeting and exceeding requirements by following well defined processes and procedures, effective communication, and risk management.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the measures put in place on projects to ensure quality and consistency throughout execution of finishing works. Include reference to supervision, conveying of information on site, contract management, quality assurance and control.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the procedures your company has in place for risk management, ensuring adherence to designer's instructions and communications in case of deviations from original intents.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.)

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[File name: *Companyname_Cat09_03*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Interior Designer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s.

[Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial]

[File name: *Companyname_Cat09_04*]

CONSERVATION AWARENESS

Entries will be judged on companies' commitment to safeguard the local heritage and uphold conservation value with responsibility by following well defined processes and procedures, ensuring quality standards are met and exceeded, effective communication and reporting, and risk management.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the procedures put in place for risk management, reporting and safeguarding findings of conservation value, keeping open communication with clients and relevant stakeholders.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the measures adopted on projects to ensure quality and consistency in conservation and restoration processes. Include reference to contract and project management, supervision, conveying of information on site, quality assurance and control.

[Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.)

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[File name: *Companyname_Cat10_03*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s.

[Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial]

[File name: *Companyname_Cat10_04*]

CONSIDERATE DEVELOPER

Entries will be judged on developers' commitment to sustainable initiatives, positive environmental impact and social contribution in development projects, demonstration of heritage conservation awareness, and ensuring the highest possible standards for the wellbeing of the end users and community.

You will be required to provide:

A description of the sustainability goals that are set and met for new developments, including, reduction in carbon footprint and waste, adoption of renewable resources, sustainable materials, incorporation of greenery, energy and water conservation and efficiency, reducing environmental impact and protection of natural habitats. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of your company's approach to conservation of cultural heritage. Refer to processes in place for project management, taking a proactive and open approach to conservation, communication with regulators and efforts to protect and promote cultural heritage. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of the measures you consider when planning new developments to ensure social contribution and minimising inconvenience to the community in the vicinity of development projects. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

A description of how, when developing projects, starting from concept stage, you ensure that the developments meet and exceeds standards and regulations to ensure provision of excellent quality of living for occupants. Include reference to contract and risk management, access for all, etc. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

Evidence referring to examples/measures applied on projects (submission can include photos, drawings, statements, etc.) [Format: PDF; max. 5MB; max. 5 pages on paper size A4; max. 500 words] [File name: *Companyname_Cat11_05*]

Testimonials from at least one client and at least one Warranted professional (Architect/Civil Engineer or Mechanical/Electrical Engineer as relevant) substantiating your statements above. Testimonials should include Warranted professional/client name and relevant project/s. [Format: PDF text; max. 200 words per testimonial] [File name: *Companyname_Cat11_06*]

CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR

Eligibility for the Contractor of the Year Award is dependent on submissions at least for each of the following Categories:

Category 1: Dedication to Sustainability

Category 2: Construction Quality and Workmanship

Category 3: Workforce Training and Development

Category 4: Commitment to Wellbeing, Health and Safety

At least one of Categories 6 to 11

Judges will assess how compliance, insurance and regulatory requirements are met, and the satisfaction of clients and professionals collaborating with your company.

In addition to the information provided in the previous categories, you will be required to provide:

A description of how your company adheres to compliance, insurance and regulatory requirements. [Format: Text; max. 500 words]

(Entry to this category is not subject to an additional fee)