



**SUSTAINABLE ENERGY
WEEK 15 – 19 JUNE 2015**

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY EUROPE AND MANAGEMENERGY AWARDS COMPETITION 2015

ELIGIBILITY AND ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

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The following eligibility criteria shall be applied to all submitted entries. Eligibility criteria are mandatory. Projects which do not meet these criteria will be excluded from further evaluation. The Awards Secretariat will confirm via email the eligibility of all submitted entries.

1. Your project must contribute to the EU 2020 objectives with regards to energy efficiency and renewable energy sources. **Please note that you are required to present concrete facts and figures showing the extent to which your project is generating energy savings and/or increasing the use of renewable energy sources regardless of the size of your project. This data will be assessed by the Technical Advisory Committee and the final jury (see 'assessment criteria' p.2).**
2. The main promoter of your project or the project coordinator must be based in EU28 or in one of the **EU's Associated Countries** in Horizon 2020.
3. **Research projects and products are not eligible.** The aim of the Awards is to collect and showcase outstanding projects with a potential for high impact in the market and a high replication potential. Academic studies and theoretical research projects without any long-term, real-scale application directly linked to renewable energy or energy efficiency are not eligible. This award scheme is also not the right place to submit projects which develop, test or demonstrate new and untried approaches or technologies. Awards will not be given for specific products.
4. **The project must be ongoing or recently concluded.** Projects which are still at the planning stage or not yet fully operational are not eligible.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Note: The award is intended to highlight the success of sustainable energy projects from a wide range of sectors and countries across the EU, and the assessments should not be too strongly influenced by the quality of submissions, which must be made in the English language. For this reason, the secretariat will seek clarifications and obtain missing information for eligible projects, so that they can be assessed on an equal treatment basis by the Technical Advisory Committee and by the jury.

There will be **three** assessment criteria in 2015, with a maximum score of ten points each. A project can thus receive a maximum total score of 30 points.

1. BEST IN CLASS PROJECT (10 POINTS)

Each winning project should be a best in class example in its area. It is not enough for a project to simply address energy efficiency and/or the use of renewable energy sources. It should be outstanding and reflect excellence in its implementation. Winning projects should also have elements of originality and innovative features which are attractive to the media and are thus potentially likely to benefit from large scale EU wide media coverage.

2. IMPACT AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE 2020 OBJECTIVES (10 POINTS)

Each winning project should have a measurable impact and a strong contribution to the European Union's 2020 energy objectives: KWh/year of final energy saved, KWh/year of renewable heating/cooling/electricity produced, CO₂ emissions avoided per year, number of jobs created. Moreover, the jury shall consider how these results are being measured and monitored (measuring methods, accuracy of figures provided). Strategic projects need to demonstrate the potential longer-term impact. Additionally, other socio-economic benefits for citizens and positive environmental effects will be considered. The relevant impacts will be assessed in relation to the size of the project concerned.

3. REPLICATION POTENTIAL AND SOCIAL ACCEPTANCE (10 POINTS)

Social acceptance is a key aspect for the success of sustainable energy projects, and applicants should demonstrate that they have collected positive feedback from the relevant societal groups and representatives. Winning projects should also be transferable and will be widely promoted across the EU, with the aim of encouraging others to adopt the successful approaches and practices used, and to help others to benefit from the winner's experience.