

# **SUSTAINABLE ENERGY EUROPE AND MANAGEMENERGY AWARDS COMPETITION 2015 CATEGORIES**

## **CATEGORY 1: RENEWABLE ENERGY**

This category awards actions substituting fossil fuels with renewable energy, and substantially reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by innovative integration of renewable energy sources into the local energy economy. This could be, for instance, as part of an overall carbon reduction strategy, through the establishment of innovative financing or citizen participation schemes, or innovations to create awareness and improve knowledge and skills. Also included in this category are innovative ways to increase the share of renewables in electricity and heating/cooling networks.

## **CATEGORY 2: ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

Energy efficiency has a fundamental role to play in the transition towards a more competitive, secure and sustainable energy system. This category is for actions addressing sustainable energy in buildings, products and processes, including transport. Projects in this category should demonstrate quantifiable reductions in energy consumption, possibly coupled with actions to create awareness or improve knowledge and skills.

## **CATEGORY 3: CITIES, COMMUNITIES & REGIONS**

This category awards actions addressing sustainable energy (including clean transport) taken by cities, regional or local public authorities and/or energy agencies aiming to achieve or exceed Europe's 2020 climate and energy objectives. Eligible projects could include working with citizens, SMEs, ICT, grids, smart cities, cycling and other forms of sustainable mobility of people or goods, or sustainable urban mobility planning. Only regional or local public authorities and/or energy agencies can participate in this category.