



RISE AWARDS 2021

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The **Leeds Sustainability Institute, Technological University Dublin, Suffolk Sustainability Institute, and the University of the West of England** are delighted to announce the return of the 2021 RISE Awards, hosted this year by Leeds Beckett University. The RISE Awards team now invite applications for new and innovative products, technologies, processes projects and schemes.

These highly regarded awards seek to recognise, celebrate and showcase exemplar case studies from the Built Environment sharing emerging best practice in Research, Innovation, Sustainability and Enterprise for new and innovative products, technologies, processes, projects and schemes. Showcasing such case studies is more important than ever given the momentum created by the upcoming climate change summit CoP26, which is putting a spotlight on the Built Environment. Creating a sustainable Built Environment through design, construction, and management will be one of the key sectors which can enable the Prime Minister's ambitious plans to place the UK at the forefront of global efforts to reach net-zero and become a climate leader.

Our awards have been devised to recognise the contribution that our sector can bring to this global climate movement to build back better; bringing together academic, industry, third sector and community groups in a unique celebration of all those who are helping to change the way we build and live in the future.

Submissions are encouraged across 20 different categories, poster entries are FREE. With awards for energy efficiency, education and training, social value, urban biodiversity, research and more up for grabs, we are sure there is a category for you! Previous winners have come from a vast array of environments, specialisms and backgrounds – what matters to us is that entrants display the passion and dedication to do things better, pushing our industry forward and driving up standards.

The closing date for entries is **Friday 25th June 2021**. Those shortlisted will be notified by Monday 19th July 2021. A prestigious gala presentation will be held online on **Friday 3rd September 2021**. The RISE Awards presentation is the perfect opportunity for you to showcase your initiative amongst your peers and bring your expertise to a new audience. Our vision is that as well as celebrating achievement, the RISE Awards will be a breeding ground for future successful industry, academic and third sector collaborations. There will be plenty of opportunities for entrants to have ongoing engagement with Leeds Sustainability Institute, Technological University Dublin, Suffolk Sustainability Institute and the University of the West of England.

HOW TO ENTER

Please produce an A2 sized poster outlining your product, process, project or service that addresses one or more of the category themes detailed below. Your poster should include text, images and where possible facts and figures that will provide the judges with tangible evidence of performance and outcomes against your strategic aims.

Key Points you will need to address in your submissions

- **What need did the product, process, project or service fill?**
- **Why is it different/ special/ unique?**
- **What challenges were faced and how were they overcome?**
- **What did it achieve? What are the current and future benefits?**

ENTRY GUIDELINES

- All submissions must be made by **Friday 25th June 2021**.
 - All submissions must include details of a primary company contact (name, address & telephone number to be supplied) for correspondence in relation to the entry.
 - All submissions must include text, high-resolution images and facts and figures where appropriate.
 - All submissions must be A2 sized and sent in PDF or Word format.
 - All posters should be submitted electronically, via email to: **riseawards@leedsbeckett.ac.uk**
- You will receive an acknowledgement of your entry by return email. Please contact us if you have submitted an entry and NOT received email acknowledgement.
- There is no limit on entries. You can submit as many projects, products, processes or services as you wish.
 - A product, process, project or service can be submitted into more than one category. Please indicate the categories you are applying on entry.
 - Any clients must be made aware in advance of any entries that refer to them.
 - We regret that we cannot return any posters so please keep your own copies on file.
 - The organisers reserve the right to feature/ display submitted material in any editorial or promotional work related to the award scheme.
 - All awards are made at the discretion of the judges and the RISE Awards organisers.
 - The judges reserve the right not to make an award in any particular category.
 - The judges have authority to move entries in to different categories where appropriate. We will inform you if that is the case.



THE CATEGORIES

For 2021 we have 20 different categories available for you to make your submission against. You can make as many submissions as you wish and the same project/ product or case study can be submitted into more than one category. Please indicate which categories you are applying for on submission.

Category	Descriptions / Entry Requirements / Examples
1 Field and Laboratory Research	Entries could include Whole Building Performance, Domestic (New Build and Retrofit), Commercial, Industrial and Non-Domestic (New Build and Retrofit), Engineered and System Build, Advanced Buildings and Structures, Passive, Net Zero and Energy Plus Developments, Building Services and Energy Management Systems. Entries could also include Product Research Design and Development.
2 Design, Innovation and Creativity	Entries could include Domestic/ Commercial/ Industrial Buildings, Creative and Innovative Facades, Building Products, Engineered Solutions and Products, Advanced/ Affordable Building Designs. Please also consider Carbon offsetting schemes, Biodiversity Net Gain
3 New Technologies and Building Materials	Entries could include Innovative use of Digital Technologies (Building Information Modelling, Simulation, Visualisation, Laser Scanning, etc.), Green Energy Efficient Information and Communication Technology, Building Systems and Controls, Energy Analytics and Big Data, Advanced and Responsive Materials, Energy Monitoring.
4 Sustainable Developments	Entries could include Energy and Resource Efficiency, Building Performance, Renewables, Energy Generation, Services and Building Systems, Building Materials and Processes, Wind, Solar, Hydro, Biomass, Geothermal and Energy nature-based solutions, capacity building for water resource management, whole building Net Zero analysis
5 Heritage Award for Restoration/ Retrofit	Entries could include Restoration, Heritage Construction and Traditional Building Methods, Energy Efficiency, Planning for Whole-Life Sustainability.
6 Behavioural Change	The judges are looking for change that creates a positive impact on the use of energy. Entries sought from initiatives aligned with: Positive Energy Behaviour Change, Socio-Technology for Energy Efficiency, Processes for Energy Efficiency, Social Models, Structures and Developments for Energy Efficiency.
7 Social Value	The winner will be the organisation that best demonstrates its ability to bring value and benefit to society.
8 Enterprise	The winner will be the project that best demonstrates a commitment to embedding enterprise, knowledge and understanding in the field.
9 Collaborative Working	The winner will be the project that best demonstrates teamwork through early involvement of stakeholders, cross team collaboration, strong communication (and tools used where applicable, e.g. BIM) and full team integration.
10 Education and Training	The winner will be the organisation committed to and implementing education and training that underpins the development of knowledge and skills equipping the workforce and society for the future.
11 Fire and Safety	Never before has the integrity of our buildings and their ability to withstand the impact of fire, explosions and resist the passage of smoke been so important. Products, processes and systems that contribute to more sustainable, resilient and safe buildings, both for retrofit and new build are sought. Innovative, new or existing products that demonstrate proven performance and restore confidence are essential. Equally, systems that ensure evacuation to a place of safety for all occupants is something that is supported and required.

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12	Health, Safety and Wellbeing	Though constant efforts are made to improve standards, our industry remains one of the most dangerous in which to work. Processes and systems that improve health and safety are sought as well as innovation that enhances the quality of life of the construction worker. Where new ground has been broken with regard to the health and safety of the construction worker and professionals, evidence of this will be rewarded.
13	Asset Management	Applications are invited that demonstrate: excellence in the management of estates, buildings, plant and infrastructure. Consideration is given to innovation, vision, action, development and demonstration of excellence. Examples of where assets are more reliable, responsive, predictable and sustainable are encouraged.
14	Civil Engineering	The award recognising outstanding contribution to civil engineering, infrastructure and its impact on the field, society and beyond. The following can be considered independently and together to achieve success in the field: accomplishment beyond current practice, development, innovation, research, training, resilience and dedication are all recognised.
15	Building Consultancy and Surveying	The category recognises, excellence in consultancy or the practice of surveying. The award honours the diverse and comprehensive range of services provided and achievements that contribute to a developing and successful built environment. The quality of services that enable buildings, assets and infrastructure to achieve value and sustainability credentials are considered and recognised by the award. The award is dedicated to the front of field service that benefits the professions and society.
16	Knowledge Transfer and Apprenticeships: Outstanding contribution to the future	Applications are encouraged for knowledge transfer partnerships, degree apprenticeships, partnerships with education and training providers, in-company training and education scheme. Organisations are recognised for the investment in developing the next generation of professionals. Industry and education partnerships, in-company and in-service training and education are recognised for taking the industry and next generations forward and beyond what we have achieved. Excellence in practice, innovation that maximising learning potential are considered.
17	Digital Innovation	Recognising technology and processes that are transforming the way assets are constructed and managed. The category considers work and processes that are exceptional in innovation, revolutionising the way we operate and manage.
18	Contracting and Construction Management	Applications are invited that demonstrate excellence in construction, contract and project management. The planning, contracting and developing of major, minor, temporary and permanent contracts are all considered. The award recognises excellence, honouring those companies and managers that go beyond their professional requirements delivering the very highest quality assets, infrastructure, structures and buildings.
19	Architecture and Architectural Technology	Applications are invited that demonstrate excellence in the practice of architecture and management of design. Collaborative commitment that breaks boundaries and pushes design and design management to the next level is encouraged.
20	Off-site Manufacture	Applications are invited that demonstrate excellence in processes that transform construction, bringing greater efficiency, productivity, safety and innovation in the way we build and develop buildings to meet enhanced needs. Off-site is considered in its broadest form volumetric and partial assemblies.

RISE PROUD TO BE DIFFERENT



No Time limitations: For these awards there are no minimum requirements on when or where the initiative was designed, developed or implemented. Our only stipulation is that you have to be able to demonstrate ongoing positive impact today.

No Geographical limitations: The challenges of 2020 and the rapid digitalisation of the workplace it has brought means working with national and international partners is easier than ever. With four leading research universities involved in the development of RISE and with so much originality, collaboration and invention going on around the world, we think it only right that our awards should reflect this.

No forms: We give our entrants the opportunity to use a little bit of imagination! All we are asking for by way of a submission is a one to two page poster using text, images and charts – let's see your creativity and let those visual presentation skills run wild!

A Good Mix of People: We've all been to awards ceremonies filled with our competitors. Now imagine if every person in the room was a potential partner instead of a rival. With our unique mix of private companies, government bodies, academics, researchers and community groups the possibilities for forging new opportunities over a drink are very real. So come and meet your new collaborators!

Relaxed and Informal: The beauty of our RISE Awards is in their simplicity. The awards themselves are an informal and intimate occasion where glitz is kept to a minimum and the focus solely on the promotion of entries and the people behind them. This coupled with knowledgeable hosting, great food and even better company makes the RISE awards the perfect forum to entertain your associates, show off a little and engage in lively conversation with a room full of professional experts.

Lifelong Connections: The Leeds Sustainability Institute and our academic partners are always looking for external partners for its world-class research. With Leeds Beckett University, Technological University Dublin, Suffolk Sustainability Institute, the University of the West of England and other academic partners involved in judging, awarding and attending, this event is the perfect opportunity to show us what you are all about. Come along and talk to our team!



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KEY DATES

Entries Close
Friday 25th June 2021

Shortlist Announced
Monday 19th July 2021

Online Ceremony
Friday 3rd September 2021



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