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Application guide

This document will guide you through the different sections of the [online application form](#) for the *European Sustainable Healthcare Awards*. To facilitate a smooth application process, you may use this document to prepare the information you will need to apply.

The guide outlines the application process for both awards.

1. [Sustainable Project of the Year Award](#)
2. [Sustainability Champion of the Year Award](#)

Sustainable Project of the Year Award

About your project

Project title (max. 225 characters)

Project summary

Summarise the content and scope of the project. (max. 150 words)

The issue

Briefly describe the issue confronted or the need identified and the environmental context. You may include how this impacted (or continues to

impact) the well-being of patients, staff, and hospital workers, as well as the wider community. (max. 150 words)

Project goals

Outline the overall goals and targets for this project, and what you hoped it would achieve to support your sustainability work. (max. 150 words)

Project team

Describe the team responsible for developing and delivering the project at your organisation. Please include job titles/roles and outline how the team worked together where possible. (max. 150 words)

Project characteristics

Innovation

Describe how the project involves a novel or innovative practice, technology, or solution. Describe how it differs from previous practice. (max. 500 words)

Impact (or expected impact)

Describe the impact (or expected impact) of the project, e.g. volume of emissions reduced, waste/plastic reductions, awareness raised. (max. 150 words)

Reach (beyond the hospital walls)/community benefit

Describe how the project contributed (or will contribute) to improved patient care or community benefit. Could it have a wider impact, i.e. nationally or regionally? (max. 150 words)

Internal collaboration

Describe how effective collaboration with internal stakeholders contributed to the project's (expected) success. (max. 150 words)

Cost/benefit

Describe the (expected) improved health and environmental outcomes of your project. What is the project's return on investment (including projected costs vs. savings), if applicable? (max. 150 words)

Replicability

How could other healthcare facilities adopt this project or scale it up? (max. 150 words)

Lessons learned and next steps

Challenges and lessons learned

Share the challenges you experienced and any lessons learned that will help other health or social care providers avoid barriers or achieve similar goals more efficiently. (max. 150 words)

Future impact

What steps have you taken to ensure the project's impact can be maintained in the future? (max. 150 words)

Next steps

Do you have any next steps related to this project? Are there new projects that will strengthen what you already achieved? Do you have new objectives related to this? (max. 150 words)

Supporting information

Additional information

Add any additional information to support your application (max. 300 words)

Additional links

Add any links to supporting information or data/results mentioned in this application.

Quotes

Provide any quotes, statements, or testimonials from your patients, staff, or management that highlight the importance of this project and the impact it has (or is expected to have) on your organisation and community. (max. 300 words)

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Sustainability Champion of the Year Award

About you

This section is to be completed about you, the person completing the form, rather than the candidate you are submitting. If you are self-nominating, then please complete your details in both sections.

About the nominated Sustainability Champion

About the Individual

Briefly describe the role of the candidate, where they are based, and explain how their role contributes to sustainability. (max. 150 words)

Commitment to sustainable healthcare

Describe why the nominee started working on sustainable healthcare and how they show commitment to the cause. (max. 150 words)

Impact

Describe the change the nominee has driven in their organisation or community, and provide a summary of the contribution this has made to sustainability. (max. 150 words)

Innovation

Describe how the nominee's approach represents a new way of thinking about sustainability in healthcare. (max. 150 words)

Inspiration

Describe how the nominee has acted as a role model to those around them, in their organisation, and in the wider community. (max. 150 words)

Collaboration

Describe how the nominee has built positive relationships and collaborations with colleagues and stakeholders. (max. 150 words)

Supporting information

Additional information

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Additional links

Add links to any supporting information mentioned in this application.

Quotes

Please provide any quotes, statements, or testimonials from patients, staff, or management that highlight the importance of the work of the Rising Star on your organisation and community. (max. 300 words)

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