

The Verdantix Climate Innovation Awards EMEA recognize the people and organizations actively working to develop and implement innovative solution to address climate change. The Verdantix Climate Innovation Awards EMEA 2023 winners will be announced at the Verdantix Climate Summit EMEA taking place in London, 30 November 2023.

This document provides you with guidance and the questions for entering the 2023 Verdantix Climate Innovation Awards EMEA. Entries must be submitted using the online form. Submit your entry here.

Guidelines for Entry

TIMELINE

Deadline for nominations is 19 September 2023

Finalists will be informed by 2 November 2023

Winners will be announced on 30 November 2023



FAQs

How do I enter?

Entries must be submitted using the online form, which you can access here. The deadline for submissions is 12pm GMT Tuesday 19th September 2023.

• What is the deadline for entry?

The deadline for submissions is Tuesday 19th September 2023.

• My project was conducted globally, can I still enter?

The Climate Innovation Awards EMEA are eligible for any project conducted in Europe, Middle East or Africa. Global projects which are led by teams in these regions are also eligible. Projects conducted in other regions will be disqualified, and instead should be entered into our Climate Innovation Awards Americas, which will launch in Winter 2023.

Do you have examples of winning entries?

Winning entries are those that demonstrate real innovative thinking and tangible benefits. We encourage the inclusion of project details relating to the challenge, solution and results achieved. View a winners case study here.

View previous winners here.

How many words should I write?

We encourage the use of succinct entries, which clearly demonstrate the project's challenge, benefits and achievements, and other information that will provide further understanding to the judges. Bullet points are fine to include.

Can I submit more than one entry?

We advise against entering for more than one award. When selecting finalists, the judges will limit to one entry per corporate company or technology vendor.

When are the awards held?

The awards will be held on the afternoon of Thursday 30th November as part of the Verdantix Climate Summit EMEA 2023, which you can register to attend here.

Can I attend the awards ceremony?

Attendance at the awards ceremony is included with all tickets for the Climate Summit EMEA 2023. Register for your ticket here. Table sponsorships are also available, please contact events@verdantix.com for more information.

I'm a technology vendor or services provider, am I allowed to enter?

The winner of the award is the corporation or person using the technology. Technology vendors and services providers are able to enter on behalf of the corporation using the technology.

Is there a fee for entry?

Entry to the awards is free.

Who judges the awards?

The awards are judged by our independent panel of judges, chaired by David Metcalfe, CEO, Verdantix.



Note: for awards recognising individuals (Climate Digital Champion and Climate Innovator Rising Star Awards), refer to questions 14 to 18. 1. What is your first name? 2. What is your company name? 4. What is your email address? This will be used to communicate information regarding your entry. 5. What is your work phone number? 6. If you are entering on behalf of someone else, what is their name and/or the name of their corporation? Please include full name, job title and email address. 7. Please provide the website url of the nominated corporation.

9. Which award category are you entering?

1. Climate Digital Champion Award

Recognizing individuals or organizations that have demonstrated exemplary leadership in leveraging digital technologies to drive sustainability and climate action, accelerating the transition to a low-carbon economy and promoting sustainable practices.

2. Climate Innovator Rising Star Award

Acknowledging emerging talents and promising individuals who have shown exceptional commitment, innovation, and potential in advancing sustainability across various sectors.

3. Scope 3 Metrics and Reporting Award

Recognizing advancements in Scope 3 data collection, analysis, modeling, or reporting that improve a business' understanding of climate change impacts, inform decision-making, and facilitate the development of effective climate strategies.

4. Sustainable Supply Chain Management Award

Highlighting outstanding achievements and innovative practices in sustainable supply chain management, including responsible sourcing, ethical procurement, traceability, transparency, and collaboration to minimize environmental impacts and promote social responsibility.



5. Energy Transition Excellence Award

Celebrating organizations or initiatives that have made significant contributions to the transition from fossil fuels to renewable and clean energy sources, driving the decarbonization of the energy sector and advancing the goals of the Paris Agreement.

6. Biodiversity Conservation Award

Recognizing efforts and initiatives that protect, conserve, and restore biodiversity, including habitat preservation, species conservation, ecosystem restoration, and sustainable land management practices.

7. Green Building and Infrastructure Award (including smart buildings)

Highlighting exceptional achievements in sustainable building design, energy-efficient construction, green infrastructure, smart buildings, and sustainable urban development that reduce energy consumption and carbon emissions from the built environment.

8. Circular Economy Innovation Award

Recognizing innovative initiatives that embrace the principles of the circular economy, promoting resource conservation, waste reduction, recycling, and product lifecycle extension, and contributing to a more sustainable and regenerative economy.

9. Climate Adaptation and Resilience Award

Celebrating projects that utilise technologies to enhance the resilience of communities, ecosystems, infrastructure, and industries to the impacts of climate change, such as extreme weather events, sea-level rise, or temperature fluctuations.

10. Social Impact in Climate Innovation Award

Celebrating initiatives that address climate change while also creating positive social impact, such as projects that promote social equity, empower vulnerable communities, support sustainable livelihoods, or enhance climate justice.

11. Net Zero Strategy of the Year

Recognizing organizations that have demonstrated exceptional commitment and innovation in developing and implementing comprehensive net-zero strategies to achieve carbon neutrality and contribute to global climate goals.

10. Please provide a short background (no more than 250 words) to the company, project, and/or strategy that you're nominating, and why they are a good fit for the award, paying particular attention to the award's description.



- 11. Are any of the following technologies or services relevant to the submission? Indicate all that apply.
 - Carbon Management Software
 - Carbon Removal Technologies
 - Climate Risk Digital Solutions
 - Carbon Credits Trading Platforms
 - Energy Management Software
 - Renewable Energy Tracking
 - Risk Management Software
 - Critical Event Management Software
 - Methane Mitigation

- Geospatial Data and Analytics
- Climate risk and strategy services
- Climate adaptation services
- Climate risk quantification and scenario analysis
- Net zero strategy services
- Net zero program management
- Carbon credit support and sourcing
- Climate data and disclosure management
- Other (please specify)
- 12. Are any of the following technologies or services relevant to the submission? Indicate all that apply.
 - Main software or consulting/services provider
 - Supporting software or consulting/services provider
 - Supporting software or consulting/services provider
- 13. What was the approximate investment in the project or initiative you are submitting, if any?
 - Less than EUR 100,000
 - More than EUR 100,000 and less than EUR 500,000
 - More than EUR 500,000 and less than EUR 1 million
- More than EUR 1 million and less than EUR 2.5 million
- More than EUR 2.5 million
- Not willing to respond
- 14. Final Question: What positive business results has the nominated person, company, project or strategy generated, in line with the award criteria? Answers should include quantitative improvements, in terms of cost savings, emissions reductions, etc...
- 15. For nominations for Climate Innovator Rising Star and Climate Digital Champion Awards only.

Name of the individual you are nominating:

16. For nominations for Climate Innovator Rising Star and Climate Digital Champion Awards only.

Please provide a link to the individual's LinkedIn profile



17. For nominations for **Climate Digital Champion Award** only.

Explain in less than 250 words why you are nominating this person. Please include KPIs of their achievements, examples of innovative techniques implemented and positive business outcomes.

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18. For nominations for **Climate Innovator Rising Star Award** only.

Explain in less than 250 words why you are nominating this person. Please include examples of their achievements, examples of innovative techniques utilised and positive business outcomes.

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