

WINDPOWER MONTHLY AWARDS

Entry Requirements & Information

Who can enter?

The Windpower Monthly Awards are open to entries from both the offshore and onshore windpower communities unless marked otherwise.

Companies or individuals may submit entries on behalf of themselves or others and may enter any number of categories.

Please carefully check the detailed criteria when composing your entries before you submit them.

Pricing

Early Bird Fee: £300 (+VAT)

Early Bird Deadline: Thursday 17th May 2018

Multiple Entry Discount: £200 (+VAT) for each subsequent entry

Standard Entry Fee: £400 (+VAT)

Standard Entry Deadline: Thursday 24th May 2018

Multiple Entry Discount: £300 (+VAT) for each subsequent entry

Online Entry Submission

Entries and support material must be submitted online via www.windpowermonthlyawards.com

Select the category/ies you would like to enter and submit your written submission and support materials. The maximum file size is 50MB per entry inclusive of all documentation.

Your Entry

Please refer to each category for specific information required. Each category entry page will have specific questions that will build your entry. Please note that the system will not allow you to go over the word limit.

Eligibility

The awards will recognise work that was carried out or completed between 1 December 2016 to 1 February 2018.

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Supporting Material

We do request that at least two images are submitted as part of your entry. These images need to be a colour JPEG (minimum 300dpi) and must illustrate your entry.

Should you reach the shortlist stage, these images may be used for publication and will be uploaded to <http://www.windpowermonthlyawards.com>.

You may also upload any additional support material that relates to your entry. This can include further images, videos, testimonials or financial information.

The organisers reserve the right to retain entries for subsequent publication. Descriptions of submissions from winners and runners-up will be published in connection with the awards. Entrants may mark certain sensitive parts of their entry 'confidential' or 'not for publication'. This will be respected.

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1. Onshore Innovation of the Year

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This broad category highlights inspiring and commercially driven Research & Development work across the sector. Whether it's design developments in technical kit such as gearboxes; blades; bearings; advances in vessel design to promote safer servicing and maintenance to ensure turbines remain fit for purpose; or monitoring and software development, tell us and the industry about it.

It does not have to be an expensive, highly designed product, it may be something simple. The judges are going to be awarding ingenuity, determination and effort to overcome a challenge.

The judges will be looking for:

- The story of how this project, innovation or product overcame a problem or developed a solution to provide long term sustainable benefits in the windpower sector. What was the challenge? What action was taken and what was the outcome? **(No more than 600 words)**
- Provide practical and commercial evidence to show that a project, innovation or product has saved lives, money, time or the environment from damage. **(No more than 300 words)**

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3. Best Practice in Operations and Maintenance

This broad category highlights the implementation of inspiring and commercially successful best practices in the operation and maintenance of windfarms.

The judges will be looking for:

- Evidence of excellent management and practical examples of improved operations processes, including safety and efficiency.
- Practical implementation of processes and actions that have lead to increased reliability of operations.
- A track record of innovation and attention to future development, with emphasis on improving operations and ensuring output.

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4. Outstanding Contribution to Energy Efficiency

Research and development is crucial to maintaining the pace of improvements in energy efficiency. Have you or does your company feel that it's made significant and sustainable advances in energy efficient design, for either onshore or offshore developments? Do you want to tell the industry of the challenges that have been overcome in developing what could be the best in class windpower design?

Maybe you are a third party tech provider to the sector. Use this award to tell the global wind industry of your work. Has your company made significant strides in improving energy efficiency in the sector? This award offers the opportunity to highlight innovative products working or in development in the sector.

Whether it be design developments in technical kit such as gearboxes, blades, bearings, or monitoring and software development tell us and the industry about it. It does not have to be an expensive, highly designed product, it may be something simple.

The judges will be looking for:

- Detailed description of how this product or service has won energy savings. Please include an outline of the initial problem and how ROI has been delivered, along with any other notable commercial benefits. Include evidence of the determination and effort put in to win these improvements with detailed information on the scale and scope of the work.
- If appropriate include a nomination statement outlining what sets this company apart from the rest in their field, and demonstrating clear energy savings achieved.

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5. Product Enhancement of the Year

This award will highlight a company's work in improving a product operating in the global wind industry. The product may increase workers' safety, save down time and costs or provide enhanced environmental benefits.

The judges will be looking for:

- Innovative achievement resulting in more productive or durable equipment or systems within the offshore and onshore wind industry.
- Practical and commercial evidence that the project, innovation or product has helped the sector. Has it saved lives, cut costs, improved forecasts and/or timelines or saved the environment from damage or provided long term sustainable benefits in the windpower sector?

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6. Start Up of the Year

Are you at the start up stage of development or a small technology or service provider to the wind sector with up to 10 people working in your company? Do you provide innovative new technology or a service which could really make a difference to the windpower community?

These awards offer you the exposure you need to continue, and extend your company's growth. If your company is less than three years old and a standalone operating company, then grab this chance to put your product in front of a worldwide audience by entering this category.

The judges will be looking for:

- An explanation of why the company was set up and what it hoped to achieve. How does current progress measure against expectations?
- Practical and commercial evidence that the project, innovation or product has helped the sector. How does this innovative new technology or service make a difference to the windpower community? Has it saved lives, cut costs, improved forecasts and/or timelines or saved the environment from damage or provided long term sustainable benefits in the windpower sector?

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7. Service Provider of the Year

This award highlights excellent customer service and support for clients' needs in the windpower sector.

Whether supporting clients operating in the legal, planning, financial, construction, maintenance, forecasting or research fields in the wind industry, this award gives companies or organisations the opportunity to inform the wind sector of their work.

Entrants will need demonstrate how they have proactively worked with clients to improve projects or programmes to secure future growth and development.

The judges will be looking for:

- Tell the story of how this project, innovation or product overcame a problem or developed a solution to provide long term sustainable benefits to the client. What was the challenge? What action was taken and what was the outcome? **(No more than 600 words)**
- Provide practical and commercial evidence to show current initiatives supporting clients and evidence of research to support clients as they face and overcome current challenges, and answer the need to futureproof their businesses. **(No more than 300 words)**

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8. Windfarm Owner/Developer of the Year

This award will reflect the efforts of a windfarm owner or developer to ensure efficiency, reliability and innovation are key elements of the windfarm's activity.

The owner or developer will show an active interest in progression via investment and demonstrate an ability to adapt to future challenges.

The windfarm is already running and maintaining a safe and efficient operation, but the judges want to know what is being done to ensure that future challenges will be met and overcome.

The judges will be looking for:

- The story of how the windfarm is working to ensure best practice in efficiency and reliability, as well as plans to secure its future development and success.
- Provide practical and commercial evidence to show current initiatives such as investment in relevant research and development to support the windfarm operation and ensure future success.

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9. Best Treatment of the Environment

Ensuring environmental qualities are protected while providing efficient windpower is crucial to the social contract of the windpower sector.

Have you or your company been involved in an ongoing project or scheme that has had to work to allay and mitigate environmental concerns? This could be part of a repowering, refurbishment or a new project.

This award will go to the company that demonstrates it has dealt with the environmental issues surrounding development and ongoing activities of a facility in the wind sector. It may involve innovation in the environment such as good practice in reclamation, the recycling/waste management of decommissioned kit. Or the use of most environmentally appropriate treatment.

Entrants will be able to demonstrate they have listened to and acted upon viable environmental concerns and issues, produced the best possible outcome for the environment.

The judges will be looking for:

- The story of how this product overcame a problem or developed a solution to benefit the environment around a windpower development. What was the challenge? What action was taken and what was the outcome?
- Evidence of innovation in dealing with environmental issues.
- Compliance with environmental legislation and use of the most environmentally appropriate treatment, this may relate to reuse and recognition of good practice in reclamation, repowering, recycling and waste management for equipment.
- Recognition of cost awareness, excellent programme management, awareness of relevant environmental issues.

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10. Product Provider of the Year

This award is given to a company or organisation who has supplied a product or service to the windpower sector that has shown significant and measurable improvement or advancement with demonstrable benefits.

It will recognise an outstanding achievement and entries will therefore need to demonstrate customer satisfaction has led to increased commercial success.

The judges will be looking for:

- The story of how this project or service is benefitting the windpower industry. What was the challenge? What action was taken and what was the outcome?

If possible address one or more of these points in your entry.

- Evidence of commitment through a product or service to drive growth for the future of windpower.
- How the provision of excellent logistics management or durable products has reduced project risk and/or enabled continuing profitability and/or pushed real growth through to support the future of windpower.
- Demonstration of integrated solutions throughout the windpower chain to ensure the best possible service to customers.

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11. Health, Safety and Wellbeing Programme

This award recognises employers which place employee health, safety and wellbeing centre stage within an organisation and have embedded a strong culture of protection and support for all staff.

Increasingly recognised as good for business as well as people, interest and support for wellbeing is growing. Excellent staff support and clear implementation of standards will increase employers' ability to hire and retain staff, and enhance the industry's reputation as a safe and nurturing environment to grow a career.

Successful programmes will be recognised for their preventative work, proactive promotion of wellbeing and demonstration of effective rehabilitation and return to work approaches.

The judges will be looking for:

- The story of how company programmes are working to prevent accidents and supporting staff through proactive promotion of wellbeing and demonstration of effective rehabilitation and return to work approaches.
- How a company-wide holistic approach, focusing on people's physical and mental wellbeing and health and safety operations, are integrated into an organisation's day to day operations.
- How a programme is supported by effective leadership, culture and people management capability.
- Evidence of value to the business in terms of reduced sickness and/or absence levels and/or improvements in staff engagement and performance.

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12. Employer of the Year Award

This award is open to any organisation that champions its workforce operating in the windpower sector, whether it's through a commitment to newcomers (anybody who has been in the sector for less than 5 years) or its more established workforce.

If that sounds like your company then tell the judges how it supports staff effectively and why it should win this award.

The judges will be looking for:

- What your company has changed or improved over the last year to support staff throughout all levels of the workforce. Has the company invested and implemented new initiatives that have made significant and long lasting sustainable change?
- Information about programmes that support staff via effective leadership, culture and people management.
- How the organisation works, via employee engagement, to retain and reward staff.

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13. Team of the Year

Are you working as part of a dynamic, successful team working in the wind sector and want to shout about your team's hard won achievements?

This award will give you the recognition you deserve and, should you win, the means to tell your story through the windpowermonthlyawards.com awards publicity material.

The judges will be looking for:

- How did your team triumph in 2017? What's the inspirational story behind this group of people? Every team faces challenges so the judges want to know, how did this team overcome a challenge?
- Provide examples of teamwork that have shown a commitment to innovation with a large or small company operating within any sector of the windpower industry.
- Clear team objectives and the value of the work, the number of staff involved and development, alongside evidence of employee development and training.

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14. Best Partnership of the Year

Have you or your company been involved in a successful joint working project between consultancies or did you join with a competitor to achieve an excellent result or vital innovation?

This award will be given to the initiative, project or plan that can best demonstrate how drawing on individuals and teams from different organisations, backgrounds and disciplines has enhanced or pushed through a project or product.

Entries must be able to show the roles of the partners and demonstrate how the project or plan has or will, achieve something that would not be possible if the partners were working alone.

The judges will be looking for:

- Why did this partnership work so well in 2017? What's the inspirational story behind these groups of people?
- Demonstration of effective partnership working, including demonstrations of how the partners worked together for the benefit of the project, the value for money of the joint working and details on any cost and time savings that were achieved.
- Examples of flexibility and/or changes in scope during the project, looking at examples of creativity and tenacity between the partners.
- Extent to which project work performed beyond expectation.
- Demonstration of strong partnering relationships with, if possible, end user endorsements and/or testimonials.

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15. Consultancy of the Year

This award will go to the consultancy that can best demonstrate how its work has helped clients to ensure a project has gone through to a successful conclusion and commercial reality, while working hard to minimise the environmental impact.

The judges will be looking for:

- What's the positive story behind this entry? Tell the story of how a challenge was met and your consultancy took the extra steps to provide outstanding support in the windpower sector. What action was taken and what was the outcome?
- Provide practical and commercial evidence to show current initiatives supporting clients.
- Evidence of research to support clients as they face and overcome current challenges and answer the need to futureproof their businesses.
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