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## Guidance for applicants

Thank you for your interest in the UK Nuclear Manufacturing Award for innovation. Please read the information below about the award, including guidance for completing the application form. **Closing date for applications is 4pm, Wednesday 11 September 2024.**

### THE AWARD

The Innovation Award will recognise a company which is delivering excellence through an innovative product or service for the nuclear sector.

The award is aimed at companies which can demonstrate an understanding of the benefits of innovation, as a driver for long-term growth and for engaging their workforce. We welcome applications from businesses of all sizes, including SMEs.

The judges will look at the innovation itself and the amount of work that was required to see the innovation through to implementation.

We will look for demonstrable benefits which you have experienced as a result of your innovation. These could be improvements in financial or safety-related metrics, increased nuclear orders, environmental improvements, socioeconomic impact or benefits to the wider nuclear industry.

We will also look for positive changes which will enable further benefits, such as improvements to factory layout or management processes.

Your innovation must benefit the UK nuclear sector. It could also have benefits for other sectors.

If your innovation is part of a wider programme with other organisations, you should focus on the impact to your business rather than the programme as a whole.

Where two or more organisations are working in partnership on the same innovation, only one application should be submitted. Please make it clear if you are making a joint application.

Relevant initiatives could include:

- Using a new product, service or technology for the first time within the nuclear sector.
- Introducing an existing product, service or technology from another sector to nuclear.
- Using or combining existing technologies in a new way.
- Using technology to scale a response to a problem.
- Programmes to support staff or people in the wider nuclear sector.
- Influencing other businesses in your supply chains to think in new ways about a technical issue, by sharing research or learning.

### WHAT ARE THE JUDGES LOOKING FOR?

- Support from senior management, or progress reporting to senior executives.
- Evidence that your innovation has relevance to your core business activities and stakeholders.
- A strategic approach to innovation.
- Qualitative and quantitative measurements to track progress and demonstrate impact.
- Links to staff learning and development.
- Evidence that innovation has had a positive impact on your business, such as improving company culture.
- A collaborative approach, with benefits to the company and wider sector.
- Positive impacts on communities and employees.

Please note, the judges reserve the right to also consider this nomination for Large Employer of the Year Award or SME Employer of the Year Award, if they determine this nomination as suitably qualified for those categories as well.

Please send your application form to:

[awards@nuclearmanufacturingsummit.co.uk](mailto:awards@nuclearmanufacturingsummit.co.uk)

## Application form

### INNOVATION AWARD

Recognising an organisation which is delivering excellence through an innovative product or service for the nuclear sector

**Company name:**

**Applicant name:**

**Job title:**

**Email:**

**Tel:**

**Name of innovation/product/service:**

**Please provide a brief summary of your application (100 words max)**

Your full application should answer the following questions:

- What is the purpose of your innovation?
- What are the features and benefits of your innovation?
- What positive effect has your innovation had on your company or the industry?
- Has it had wider effects on your business?
- Could your innovation be replicated in other industries?
- Were there any challenges, and how were they overcome?

**IMPORTANT:** Your application should be no more than 1000 words and be written in the box below. Additional material to support your application is welcome, but should be no more than three additional pages. This could include testimonials from customers or stakeholders involved in your innovation programme.

You may also include a short video of up to two minutes. This could be you speaking to the camera, or a testimonial from a customer, supplier, or stakeholder. Footage could also include a tour of your facilities to showcase the changes you have made as part of your innovation.

**The judges' decision is final.**



**Application** (1000 words max)

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