

The first European awards for innovative solutions in green building.



Innovation became essential in the struggle for energy savings and to reduce the human impact on the planet. Building sustainable cities requires new solutions for true energy performance and environmental quality. Building materials, systems and processes, energy management... all those fields saw innovations emerge for a more sustainable way of building, for inhabitants, for users, for economic actors.

Construction21 launches Green Building Solutions Awards, associated with Ecobat (Paris) and Metropolitan Solutions (Hanover) Fairs. This online contest is meant to highlight and reward exemplary buildings with innovative solutions to meet energy efficiency and environmental quality challenges.

Throughout Europe, contractors and construction managers for exemplary green buildings can enter the contest and share their know-how, their ideas, the new technics they use to reach their goals.

Green Building Solutions Awards is composed of 4 categories

- **Energy efficiency management** (including energy efficiency devices, energy centralized management, lighting, HVAC, renewable energy production systems...)
- **Building systems and materials** (building structure, insulation, joinery, ...)
- **Innovative processes** (in design, project or works management, users involvement, financial package,..)
- **Efficient green buildings**

To enter the contest, professionals must:

- Submit one or several exemplary buildings in the Construction21 case studies database
- Present at least one innovative solution in the "products" section of the case study. There they can explain how the solution they chose, benefit to the global performance of their building and more, how it contributes to developing a more sustainable city.

More info

For detailed contest rules, visit the [construction21.eu](http://www.construction21.eu) website, section [Green Building Solutions Awards 2014](#). For more information: bgs@construction21.fr

To submit a case study: <http://www.construction21.eu/case-studies/>

Timeline

- Contest entries: from 14.01.2014 to 21.02.2014 on the website.
- First voting round from 01.03.2014 to 16.03.2014.
- On 19.03.2014, the finalists will be announced at the Ecobat fair in Paris
- Second voting round + international jury of Construction21 experts : from 19.03.2014 to 03.04.2014.
- Official announcement of the European winners will take place in Hanover for the Metropolitan Solutions Fair on 10.04.2014.

Visibility

Buildings and solutions with the greatest number of votes will be presented:

- In the conference organized during the **Ecobat** fair in Paris on 19.03.2014
- In **Metropolitan Solutions** fair in Hanover from 07.04.2014 to 11.04.2014
- On every Construction21 and partners websites (including www.buildup.eu and www.metropolitansolutions.de).

About Construction21

Construction21 is a collaborative platform dedicated to all professionals active in the sustainable building sector. You can exchange information and feedback, develop your network and engage in the thematic communities. Access to the Website is totally free and content is created by users and moderated by recognized experts.

The project has been launched with the support of European Union and is now developed by renowned organizations and multiple partners in each country to ensure its independence, the quality of its content and adaptation to national markets.

Construction21 has developed an original approach, combining local to global. Construction21 is first considered as a national portal, where users share information and experiences with their peers, in their language. Construction21 is also an international on line network, offering to professionals an access to innovations issued from the whole Europe. www.construction21.eu

About Metropolitan Solutions

Metropolitan Solutions is the largest international platform presenting cross-industry technological solutions for urban infrastructures.

Metropolitan Solutions showcases innovative strategic and technical solutions for all areas of urban supply, administration and infrastructure. The event brings planners and decision-makers from municipal government, administration, politics and business together with international infrastructure solution developers and suppliers.

A "City of the Future" gives trade professionals a multifaceted experience and direct introduction to the relevant cross-industry technologies at HANNOVER MESSE. www.metropolitansolutions.de