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ENTRY GUIDE 2026

The Electric Vehicle Innovation & Excellence Awards celebrate the trailblazing solutions, companies, and individuals driving the future of the EV sector. Through forward-thinking approaches, cutting-edge technology, and collaboration, we aim to make our roads smarter, safer, and more sustainable, while working towards cleaner air for all.

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CELEBRATING THE INNOVATORS POWERING THE EV REVOLUTION

The Electric Vehicle Innovation and Excellence Awards (EVIEs) return in 2026 for our landmark sixth edition bigger, bolder, and more relevant than ever.

The Electric Vehicle Innovation & Excellence (EVIEs) Awards celebrate the innovators, leaders, and trailblazers driving the future of the EV industry. With 23 diverse awards categories, there's a wealth of opportunities to showcase your achievements and gain recognition for your contributions to smarter, cleaner, and more sustainable mobility.

As the UK and European EV markets experience unprecedented growth, 2026 marks a pivotal year for the sector. Battery technology advancements, expanded charging infrastructure, and regulatory mandates like the UK's Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) targets are driving innovation and

competition. With over 20 new EV models launching in the UK alone, the market is booming, offering unparalleled opportunities for businesses to shine.

This year, the EVIEs are opening submissions to Europe, providing a broader platform to celebrate excellence across the region. Explore our categories and submit early to maximise your chance of recognition. The deadline for submissions is 24 August 2026—start your journey to the spotlight today.

Be part of the awards that celebrate the future of electric vehicles.



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THE JUDGING PROCESS

Our judging process is entirely independent and transparent, with an expert panel of judges sourced and appointed by the EV Infrastructure News editorial team running the ruler over each entry.

Once the nomination window closes, Molly Green, Section Editor, EV Infrastructure News plus a team of independent judges will assess all entries to ensure they meet the strict eligibility criteria. All entries which do not meet the eligibility criteria will be removed from the process, and nominees informed.

Those that pass will then be assessed by our judging panel, who will score each entry based on pre-set criteria. Scores will be collated, and the entry with the highest average score from our judging panel will win that category. In the event of a tie, or if the margin of difference between two or more entries is less than 1 point, the winner of the category will be chosen by the judging panel through additional conversation.



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WHO ATTENDS?



100+
COMPANIES



200
SUBMISSIONS



400+
GUESTS IN
THE ROOM

Submission Deadline:
24 August

PREVIOUS ATTENDING COMPANIES INCLUDE:



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HOW TO ENTER THE EVIES AWARDS

We've made the entry process as smooth and accessible as possible. Whether you're submitting a groundbreaking technology, an outstanding project, or celebrating the people behind the progress, follow the steps below to complete your entry with confidence.

Need Help?

Watch Our Step-by-Step Video for a visual guide to the process, watch our "How to Enter" video below.

1



EXPLORE THE AWARD CATEGORIES

Start by reviewing all categories to identify where your work fits best. You are welcome to enter multiple categories if applicable.

2



READ THE ENTRY CRITERIA CAREFULLY

Each category has specific criteria. Make sure your submission clearly addresses these points and highlights measurable impact where possible.

3



PREPARE YOUR MATERIALS

Collect all supporting information such as project summaries, performance data, images, or testimonials as this will strengthen your entry.

4



COMPLETE THE ONLINE ENTRY FORM

Access the entry platform and fill in the required fields for your chosen category. You can save your progress and return to your submission at any time before final submission.

5



SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY

Review your information, confirm all documents are uploaded correctly, and submit before the deadline. Once submitted, you will receive a confirmation email.

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CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY AWARDS



NEW: EUROPEAN EXPANSION OF THE YEAR

This award recognises cross-border network expansion into or across European markets. Whether through new market entry, innovative partnership models or rapid scaling of operations, this category celebrates companies that are reshaping the European EV charging landscape. Open to Chargepoint operators, EV infrastructure providers, technology suppliers, software platforms, and service providers that have expanded operations into new European markets or significantly scaled their presence across multiple European territories during the last 18 months.



EV START-UP OF THE YEAR

This award celebrates the most promising EV start-up that has made a significant impact within a short period. Entries should highlight innovation, market disruption, and contributions to the EV ecosystem. Open to start-ups in EV manufacturing, infrastructure, software, or services. Entrants must be stand-alone companies established within 18 months.



BEST EV FLEET MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

This award honours the most effective software solution for managing EV fleets. Entries should demonstrate optimisation of operations, cost efficiency, sustainability benefits, and ease of use. Open to software developers and fleet management solution providers.

NEW: AFFORDABILITY & ACCESSIBILITY INITIATIVE AWARD

Celebrates programmes making EV charging more affordable and accessible to diverse communities and income levels. Affordability remains the top barrier to EV adoption. With new taxes and public charging costs rising, initiatives addressing cost barriers are critical.

NEW: PARTNERSHIP DEAL OF THE YEAR

This award recognises the merger, acquisition, or strategic partnership that has delivered the most significant impact on the electric vehicle charging and infrastructure sector. Whether through market consolidation, technology integration, geographic expansion, or enhanced service capabilities, this category celebrates deals that are reshaping the EV landscape and accelerating the transition to electric mobility.

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CONSUMER & USER EXPERIENCE AWARDS



BEST CONSUMER PROPOSITION (UTILITY/ENERGY)

This award recognises the most compelling and customer-friendly proposition launched by a utility or energy company. It should offer clear value, innovation, and an improved experience for consumers. Open to utility and energy providers that have introduced a new product, service, or initiative within the past year.



MOST USER-FRIENDLY CHARGING EXPERIENCE (HARDWARE)

This award honours the most intuitive and accessible charging hardware. Entries should demonstrate how their design prioritises ease of use, accessibility for individuals with special needs, and seamless operation. Open to manufacturers and providers of EV charging hardware.



MOST USER-FRIENDLY CHARGING EXPERIENCE (SOFTWARE)

This award celebrates the most user-friendly software solution for EV charging. Entries should showcase intuitive interfaces, accessibility features, and ease of navigation, ensuring a smooth user experience. Open to software developers, app providers, and platform operators in the EV charging sector.

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CONSUMER & USER EXPERIENCE AWARDS



BEST HOME CHARGING SOLUTION

This award recognises the best home charging solution that delivers convenience, efficiency, and reliability for EV owners. Entries should demonstrate ease of installation, smart features, and user benefits. Open to manufacturers and providers of home charging technology, as well as utilities offering innovative tariffs.



BEST SMART CHARGING SOLUTION

This award acknowledges the most innovative smart charging solution that optimises energy use, enhances grid efficiency, and benefits consumers. Entries should highlight intelligent features such as demand response, load balancing, and renewable energy integration. Open to technology providers, energy companies, and solution developers as well as charging hosts.



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INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY AWARDS



BEST NEW PRODUCT (C&I & PUBLIC)

This award recognises the most innovative new product designed for commercial, industrial (C&I), or public charging applications. Entries should demonstrate how the product enhances efficiency, accessibility, or sustainability in EV charging. Open to manufacturers and technology providers launching a product within the past year.



BEST NEW SERVICE (C&I & PUBLIC)

This award celebrates the best new service that improves EV charging for commercial, industrial, or public use. Entries should highlight innovation, customer impact, and how the service enhances charging accessibility, convenience, or operational efficiency. Open to service providers, network operators, and organisations delivering new C&I or public charging solutions.



NEW: EV SOFTWARE INNOVATION OF THE YEAR

This award recognises the most innovative and effective software platform designed to manage, monitor, and optimise electric vehicle charging infrastructure. Judges will evaluate solutions based on scalability and reliability, creative features, impact on network efficiency, and innovation in processing, load management, or smart charging features.

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INFRASTRUCTURE & STRATEGY AWARDS



CHARGEPOINT NETWORK OF THE YEAR

This award recognises the best chargepoint network based on reliability, coverage, customer experience, and innovation. Entries should showcase how the network supports EV adoption, offers seamless access, and meets the needs of drivers. Open to chargepoint operators and network providers.



PRIVATE SECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY OF THE YEAR

This award acknowledges the most effective EV infrastructure strategy led by a private sector organisation. Entries should demonstrate a strong commitment to expanding EV charging, supporting sustainability goals, and enhancing accessibility. Open to businesses, property developers, fleet operators, and private chargepoint investors.



NEW: EV INFRASTRUCTURE PROBLEM-SOLVER OF THE YEAR

This award celebrates creative and effective solutions that overcome infrastructure constraints to enable EV charging deployment. Recognising projects and technologies that demonstrate innovative approaches to challenges such as limited grid capacity, connection delays, high upgrade costs, or remote locations.

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MARKETING & BRANDING AWARDS



EV MARKETING / BRANDING CAMPAIGN OF THE YEAR

This award celebrates the most effective marketing or branding campaign in the EV sector. Entries should demonstrate creativity, engagement, and measurable impact in promoting EV adoption, charging solutions, or related services. Open to businesses, agencies, and marketing teams.



CONSUMER CAMPAIGN OF THE YEAR

This award recognises the best consumer-focused EV campaign that successfully raises awareness, drives engagement, and influences behaviour. Entries should highlight originality, reach, and effectiveness. Open to brands, organisations, and agencies targeting the consumer EV market.



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PEOPLE & LEADERSHIP AWARDS



EV INNOVATOR UNDER 30

This award honours a young professional (aged under 30) who has made a significant contribution to EV innovation, technology, or policy. Entries should highlight leadership, creativity, and impact within the industry. Open to individuals working in any area of EV development.



DIVERSITEV & INCLUSION

This award celebrates outstanding efforts to improve diversity, equity, and inclusion in the EV sector. Entries should demonstrate initiatives that create opportunities, promote representation, and drive positive change. Open to businesses, organisations, and individuals championing inclusivity.



LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This prestigious award honours an individual who has made a lasting and transformative impact on the EV industry. Entries should highlight long-term contributions, leadership, and dedication to advancing electric mobility. Open to industry pioneers, executives, and advocates.

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FLEET AWARDS



BEST FLEET ELECTRIFICATION INITIATIVE

This award recognises an outstanding initiative that has accelerated fleet electrification at scale. Entries should demonstrate innovation, sustainability impact, and operational success. Open to fleet operators, businesses, and public sector organisations.



NEW: OUTSTANDING FREIGHT ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT

Recognising projects, technologies, and initiatives that are breaking new ground in enabling commercial fleets to transition to zero-emission operations, this category honours those tackling the unique challenges of electrifying heavy-duty transport. From high-power charging depots and megawatt charging systems to innovative grid solutions and fleet transition strategies, this award acknowledges the pioneers making electric HGV operations a practical reality across logistics, distribution, and long-haul transport sectors.



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ATTEND THE CEREMONY

SINGLE TICKETS

£499 EX.VAT

- 3 Course Gala Dinner With 1/2 Bottle of Wine per Person
- Access to the Pre-Awards Drinks Reception
- Seat With Unrestricted View of the Awards Ceremony
- Entry to the Official After-Party

HALF TABLE

£2,045 EX.VAT

- 5 Seats
- 3 Course Gala Dinner With 1/2 Bottle of Wine per Person
- Access to the Pre-Awards Drinks Reception
- Seat With Unrestricted View of the Awards Ceremony
- Entry to the Official After-Party

FULL TABLE

£3,999 EX.VAT

- 10 Seats
- 3 Course Gala Dinner With 1/2 Bottle of Wine per Person
- Access to the Pre-Awards Drinks Reception
- Seat With Unrestricted View of the Awards Ceremony
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