



EUPAVE'S AWARD PROGRAMME FOR CONCRETE PAVING PROJECTS AND INNOVATIONS

Introduction

One of the objectives of EUPAVE's Strategic Plan 2024-2030 is to celebrate successes and give due recognition to the achievements of our industry, both in the technical field, the so-called "best practices", and in innovation, decarbonisation and digitalisation. To this end, EUPAVE is creating two awards:

- 1. Outstanding Project Award. (OPA)**
- 2. Outstanding Innovation Award. (OIA)**

These awards will not only allow to honour the people and organisations involved in high-quality, successful projects and interesting innovative developments but also provide an opportunity to share information on these topics. It is also a way to promote similar achievements, inspire future projects and encourage further research and development in the concrete paving sector.

General conditions for proposals.

To be eligible for the OPA, projects must be located in Europe and must have been completed between 1 January 2023 and 1 July 2025.

For the OIA, the innovative development (technical, organisational, or in the field of decarbonisation or digitalisation, etc.) must have been done or implemented successfully in Europe. The first use or implementation of the innovation must have taken place on 1 July 2025 at the latest.

What type of projects and innovations are considered?

Any projects that include a significant portion of "concrete pavements" is eligible for the OPA. Not only new concrete pavements but also rehabilitation projects, maintenance, preservation and repair are accepted.

It can be any type of concrete pavement such as:

- Motorways (highways), trunk roads, express roads
- Rural roads, local roads, streets
- Tram- and railways (slab track), bus lanes, bike lanes, pedestrian areas
- Roundabouts, intersections
- Public spaces, environmental landscaping, plazas

- Overlays - inlays
- Pavements on roof structures
- Industrial sites (exterior pavements - not interior floors)
- Port and airport pavements
- Roller compacted concrete pavements
- Permeable concrete pavements
- ...

For the OIA, any development or realisation in the field of concrete paving, which is innovative in the field of technique, logistics, organisation, decarbonisation or digitalisation, can be considered. Potential areas are:

- Concrete mixes and constituents
- Concrete paving machines and related equipment
- Design techniques
- Execution techniques on the jobsite
- ...

How to submit a proposal?

Through the [submission form](#) also available on [EUPAVE's website](#):

1. Complete the [Word document](#) available on our website with the choice of award you are applying for and explain in maximum 3 pages how your project or innovation meets the criteria. Include details such as:
 - a. Innovation and unique features of the project
 - b. Sustainability considerations
 - c. Technical achievements
 - d. Proof of success or added value of the innovation
 - e. Any other relevant aspects

Save the document in PDF Format and rename it: **"Title of the project or innovation _EUPAVEAward2025"**

2. Upload a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 10 high-quality photos that showcase key projects aspects, such as construction, details and the final results.

File types: JPEG

HD Resolution: minimum 1080p (1920x1080, 2.1-megapixel).

Ensure your photos are sharp, focused and have a good contrast.

Each photo should be named **"Title of the project or innovation _EUPAVEAward2025_01" (02/03/04/...)**

3. Submit your PDF document and photos in [the Google form](#)



By submitting your project, you agree that EUPAVE may use your information and photographs for promotional purposes, publications, or events. EUPAVE will always mention the copyrights when using your photos.

Deadline for submitting a proposal.

Submittals must be received by the deadline date of **Friday, 5 September 2025**.

Which are the evaluation criteria?

For the OPA

The evaluation will be done based on the aspects put forward in the presentation of the project; see the non-exhaustive list below. One overall rating is given taking into account these different aspects and the extent to which they contribute to the exceptional nature of the project.

- Concrete materials (durability, low-carbon, rapid execution...)
- Construction, maintenance or repair process (schedule, techniques, equipment, efficiency...)
- Characteristics of the finished pavement (smoothness, skid resistance, noise reduction...)
- Aesthetics – Integration in the built environment
- Innovation in materials, equipment or technology
- Sustainability considerations (LCA – low-carbon – water management – circularity – resilience – social impact - ...)
- Safety
- Public Relations – Communications to the general public

For the OIA

The judgement will be done based on the originality and the degree of development in the field of innovation, decarbonisation or digitalisation, and on the impact, it may have on the concrete paving sector.

Who will be the in the jury?

The jury will be composed of:

- Stéphane Nicoud, President of EUPAVE
- Rory Keogh, Vice-President of EUPAVE
- Hervé Camerlynck, Managing Director of EUPAVE
- Luc Rens, Technical Director of EUPAVE
- Jeroen de Vrieze, chairman of EUPAVE's Best Practices Working Group

EUPAVE has the right to add one or more (external) persons to the jury.

What rewards are planned for the laureates?

For each of the awards:

- the winning consortium will receive (a maximum of) three plaques;
- The winning companies can benefit from a one year free partnership of EUPAVE (value 1000,- euros) or get a one year reduction of 1000,- euros on the membership fee;
- (a maximum of) 3 people will be invited to the award event and dinner;
- travel and/or accommodation expenses will be paid by EUPAVE, up to 500,- euros per person and for (a maximum of) three persons;
- the winning projects or innovations and the companies involved will be presented in an article in the EUPAVE newsletter and on the EUPAVE website.

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