



Call for Entries

The European Convention for Constructional Steelwork (ECCS) invites its members to submit their projects for the European Steel Bridge Awards 2022.

The European Steel Bridge Awards are given by ECCS every two years to encourage the creative and outstanding use of steel in construction of bridges.

The objective is to give European recognition to steel and composite bridges emphasizing the various advantages of steel in construction, production, economy, sustainability and architecture, and to attract the interest of clients, architects and engineers in using more steel within the bridge construction sector, thereby making the steel industry more competitive.

The Awards are open to steel and composite bridges of which steel structures were designed or fabricated in the ECCS Full Member countries primarily. If the project is multinational, it can also be submitted in accordance with the submission procedure stated on the following pages.

European Independent Promotional Organisations (IPOs) without ECCS full member representative may also submit up to 3 projects to ECCS, for a fee of 450 € per project.

The awards are dedicated to the owner, general contractor, the architects, the engineers and the steelwork contractors of each outstanding steel bridge project submitted from ECCS Full Member countries and international contestants in order to esteem their collaboration and the excellence of their work. The national member is responsible for the approval of each submitted entry to indicate that it complies with the regulations of the Awards.

An ECCS International Jury will select the projects to be awarded.

Key dates:

Last date for entry submission:	by 30 April 2022
Announcement of the decision of International Jury:	by 30 June 2022
Press release:	by 30 June 2022
Awards Ceremony:	September 2022 in Istanbul, Brussels or online depending on the covid crisis situation.



Regulations

1. Operation of the awards

The Awards are open to steel and composite bridges of which steel structures were designed or fabricated in the ECCS Full Member countries. If the project is multinational, it can also be submitted in accordance with the submission procedure stated on the following paragraphs.

Steel bridge projects located outside the member country are eligible, if they have been designed or fabricated by a member of an ECCS Full Member.

In cases where the partners of the project (project owner, general contractor, architectural firm, structural engineering firm and fabricators) are from different countries:

- If some partners are from an ECCS Full Member country and others are from non-member country, the Full Member may apply.
- If they are from different ECCS Full Member countries:
 - The Full Members may submit the entry together;
 - One of Full Members may submit in coordination with the others;
 - Should it be disagreed, the fabricator of the project will select the submitting Full Member.

The construction must have been completed and be ready for use **between June 2018 and May 2022**. Previous entries are not eligible.

2. Jury and Evaluation

The Jury consists of the following seven members:

- Representative of the hosting member,
- Veronique DEHAN, ECCS Secretary General
- Dennis RADEMACHER, Chairman of the ECCS Bridge Committee
- Annamarie HAGOORT, Chairwoman of the ECCS Architectural Awards Committee
- Bernhard HAUKE, Chairman of the ECCS Promotion Management Board

- Architect from hosting nation
- Engineer from hosting nation
- International representative
- International representative

The chair of the jury is elected by its members.

The Jury selects award winners after assessing all entrants against the following criteria:

- To have an international recognised standard.
- To be of outstanding quality in its architecture, structure and construction.
- To interest clients, architects and engineers in using more steel within the entire steel construction sector, thereby making the steel industry competitive.
- To emphasize the advantages of steel in construction, production, economy and architecture.
- To adhere to the principles of sustainability and quality of the steel bridges.
- To disseminate the knowledge of steel and its many-sided uses and to draw attention to its development.
- To improve the image of steel.

3. Responsibilities of ECCS Full Members

ECCS Full Members are asked to:

- Call for entries from their national / member participants according to the ECCS criteria.
- Approve the entries that comply with the regulations of the Awards.
- Communicate the submitted entries and the CTA (Copyright Transfer Agreement) to ECCS (only via email or www.wetransfer.com).
- Invite nominated teams to the European Steel Bridge Awards Ceremony.
- Disseminate promotional publications and press-releases on a national level (linking to the ECCS website).



4. Awards

Two main categories of bridges will be awarded:

1. Road / Railway bridges
2. Cycle / Pedestrian bridges

In addition, the jury may award Special Awards, such as:

- Sustainable bridges (e.g. low maintenance, low life cycle cost),
- Concepts such as floating bridges,
- Refurbishment of an existing bridges (major retrofit, expansion or rehabilitation or partial replacement) using steel,
- Creative design and realisation.

Entries, which have received a category award, may also be selected to receive a special award.

An entry may receive more than one special award should jury decide so.

The Awards will be presented during a ceremony specially organized by ECCS in September 2022.

5. Time-table

- Dissemination of the ESBA 2022 Call for Entries by the **end of December 2021**.
- Communication of the entry forms, high-resolution pictures and drawings, and copyright transfer agreement to ECCS (only via email or www.wetransfer.com) by the **30 April 2022**.
- Evaluation of entries by the ECCS International Jury by **15 June 2022**.
- Official information by ECCS and National Associations related to the nominated entries by the **end of June 2022**.
- For the ceremony and the publication, presentations and documentation can be communicated till the **end of July 2022**.
- ECCS Steel Bridges Awards Ceremony in **September 2022**.

6. Submission of Entries

Entries can be submitted to NAMs by either architects, engineering offices, fabricators and clients or the national jury itself. The entries will be approved and submitted to ECCS by the National Full Members of ECCS in order to comply with the regulations of the Awards. The Full Members are entitled to approve and communicate up to three entries to ECCS.

7. Submittal Requirements

The submission file will consist of:

1. The ad hoc Entry Form, containing key information, description and technical data;
2. High-resolution photographs¹ and design drawings²;
3. The Copyright Transfer Agreement (CTA)

These documents used for the ESBA promotion and publications, and must therefore be of best quality and free of copyright charges.

The submitted material can be utilised by ECCS and ECCS members in press releases, publications and websites, to promote the use of steel in steel bridges and constructions.

The submission file must be communicated to ECCS by the **30 April 2022** only via email or www.wetransfer.com.

8. Contact

For questions related to these ESBA 2022 regulations please contact
Véronique DEHAN, ECCS Secretary General
(eccs@steelconstruct.com)

Please send your submission file (entry form + high resolution photos and drawings + Copyright Transfer Agreement) to
Francis Grogna, ECCS Financial and Communications Manager
(francis.grogna@steelconstruct.com)

¹ Minimum 300 dpi resolution, format 16x24, .eps, .jpg or .tif

² 600 dpi, .eps or vectorised .pdf (or .dxf), black/white; without description and measure layer