Eco-Innovation Award 2025

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

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INTRODUCTION

The Eco-Innovation Award will be presented in 2025 to a European airport in recognition of its environmental excellence and achievement. The award winner will be announced during the Conference Dinner at the ACI EUROPE **Annual Congress & General Assembly 2025** on Thursday, 19 June 2025.

REQUIREMENTS

To compete for this award, airports must be accredited at any level of **Airport Carbon Accreditation**. The project must have been implemented during the past 5 years (i.e. 2019 2024). Airports are required to provide details of an innovative project by selecting one of the following four disciplines:

- **Climate Change**
- **Noise Management**
- **Biodiversity and Wildlife Management**
- **Circular Economy**

The airport must have played a key role in the development and implementation of the project. It may be related to one or more of the following issues: monitoring, modelling, measurement, preservation, restoration, pollution prevention, resource use, eco-design, reporting, implementation, management systems, assessment, efficiency initiative, training, awareness, community engagement, etc.

YOUR ENTRY SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY MIDDAY ON FRIDAY 02 MAY 2025.

The winners in each category will be announced at the at the ACI EUROPE Annual Congress & General Assembly in Athens, Greece on Thursday, 19 June 2025.

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EVALUATION

The selection process will lead to one airport being awarded the Eco-Innovation Award. Evaluations will be based on the following quantitative criteria, with weight factors and word limits indicated in parentheses.

1. **Describe in 250 words the eco-innovation project or initiative and its objectives.**

2. **Environmental Effectiveness: (30%) (300 words)**
   - What is the qualitative environmental impact of your project (e.g., increased awareness, improved practices)?
   - What are the measurable outcomes of your project in quantitative terms (e.g., the percentage reduction in CO_2 emissions, noise reduction, the percentage increase in recycling rates, decrease of water usage…)?

3. **Innovation: (20%) (250 words)**
   - How does your project introduce a unique or innovative approach within your airport or the wider airport industry and what makes your project stand out as a novel solution?

4. **Co-Benefits: (15%) (300 words)**
   - Aside from your project's main discipline, what environmental benefits does it provide in other areas (e.g., waste management, water conservation, noise reduction, air quality, or biodiversity)?
   - How does your project contribute to achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals?

5. **Transferability/Scalability: (15%) (200 words)**
   - Can your project be scaled or replicated at other airports or industries? If so, how?

6. **Stakeholder Engagement: (10%) (300 words)**
   - What role did employee and/or external stakeholders play in the design and implementation of your project? (Provide evidence of stakeholder collaboration in implementing this initiative.)
   - What level of recognition or appreciation has your project received within your airport, the local community, nationally, or internationally?

7. **Durability: (5%) (200 words)**
   - What is the expected duration of your project's environmental and sustainability effects?

8. **Voluntariness: (5%) (200 words)**
   - Was your project developed voluntarily, or was it driven by regulatory requirements?