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Continuous Improvement Culture

This award is for organisations where everyone contributes to continuous improvement, making it a core part of how they operate. This includes building teams who understand their customers, have regular conversations about how they are performing, use data to drive problem-solving, ensure processes are reviewed, documented and kept up to date. Most importantly organisations that encourage teams to share and learn from mistakes.

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<p>One line entry name/summary (this will be used in our brochure and at the Awards Ceremony). $<$ /p> $<$ p>To give $<$ p.
you some guidance, a previous example is: Church House, a charity journey to net zero.

Contact Us

If you have any questions or need any further information please feel free to contact us at awards@bqf.org.uk

Awards Process

By submitting an entry, you are beginning your journey on the BQF Awards process.

- Step 1. Submit award entry.
- Step 2. Judges will review entries and shortlist candidates.
- Step 3. Shortlisted candidates announced.
- Step 4. Shortlisted candidates put forward to our judging panel which will give you the opportunity to virtually present to the judges.
- Step 5. Finalists announced.*
- Step 6. Winners announced at Awards Ceremony.

*For the Patron's Awards, you will be supported to produce a short video (with help and guidance) that will be played at the Awards Ceremony.

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We will be producing a UK Excellence Awards Brochure and the summary will be used here, for guidance you can view the last brochure <u>here</u> . Please write the summary in the 3rd person and simple language, here is an example of a previous summary:
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Section 1: Why you did it

200 words

Here we are looking for:

- The business context for the adopted continuous improvement approach and how well it aligns with the organisation's overall strategy and vision.
- Why you spent time and effort in adopting a structured continuous improvement approach and the expected benefit that this investment would bring.

Section 2: How you did it

600 words

Here we are looking for:

- · How you decided which continuous improvement methodologies to use and how you applied them.
- How you decided who to involve, defined their roles and responsibilities and how you built the capability to work in a CI way at all levels.
- How you engage the business in Continuous Improvement and maintain momentum.
- How you identified and overcame barriers to embedding a Continuous Improvement culture (e.g. existing targets, systems, time constraints etc).

Section 3: What you achieved

400 words

Here we are looking for data and testimonials to show:

- The extent to which you delivered improvements in your baseline metrics (e.g. Safety, People, Quality, Cost and Delivery Metrics).
- The feedback from those working in the CI Culture and any other stakeholders (e.g. customers, suppliers, partners, employees).

Here we are looking for:

- What you learned and what you would do differently in the future.
- How you reviewed, learnt from and adapted your approach in real time.
- How you shared the learning with the wider business and/ or external stakeholders.

Section 5: Cultural impact

400 words

Here we are looking for:

- The extent to which you have embedded a Continuous Improvement culture into the organisation, and how you continue to embed the necessary skills, knowledge, and behaviours to support this.
- The extent to which your leaders and managers at all levels are actively supporting and role modelling a CI way of working.
- The extent to which there has been a positive shift in employee and customer satisfaction.
- The extent to which a CI way of working has been built into the structure of the organisation, e.g. the strategy, operations, targets and objectives, supply chain, recruitment etc.

Please use this section to upload your one piece of supporting evidence.

When uploading your supporting evidence please remember:

- 1. A maximum of **one piece of supporting evidence** can be submitted with your entry.
- 2. Video attachments may be hosted on a video site such as YouTube or Vimeo.
- 3. Provide website URLs to the publicly accessible campaign or active URL of a landing page. Please ensure any applicable usernames and passwords are provided and active.
- 4. Please do not upload any further written material as the judges will not consider these. The written component of your entry should be fully explained within the provided form fields.
- 5. Any links added into supporting evidence will not be viewed by judges.
- 6. Think about quality rather than quantity, videos should be no more than 5 minutes and any presentations or PDFs should be a maximum of 6 pages.

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