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ENR Announces 2020 Global Best Projects Winners

Diverse mix of projects features work in 21 countries on six continents



The Toowoomba Second Range Crossing in Australia was selected as the top Road/Highway project this year.

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After many hours of analysis and debate, a panel of industry veterans has selected the winners of ENR's 8th annual Global Best Projects competition. Like ENR's successful regional and national U.S. competitions, Global Best Projects identifies and honors the project teams behind outstanding design and construction efforts of the past year. But this competition stands apart with the distinct rule that at least one firm involved in the project must be working outside of its home country. None of the entries could participate if they had any construction-related fatalities, and construction had to be complete between January 2019 and April 2020.

The international construction industry submitted a record number of entries this year, even while dealing with complex pandemic-related communication and coordination issues prior to the entry deadline. This year's class features 30 winning projects located in 21 different countries on six continents. These outstanding examples show the risks, rewards and hurdles overcome when designing and building internationally.

Judging the contest were: Erleen Hatfield, Hatfield Group; Jon Magnusson, Magnusson Klemencic Associates; Kit Miyamoto, Miyamoto International; Allan Montpellier, PAE; Patrick Natale, Mott MacDonald; Bob Prieto, Strategic Program Management LLC; Hans Van Winkle, Van Winkle Consulting; and Peter Zuk, formerly of Metrolinx. Any judge with a conflict of interest in any particular category was assigned to a different category. The panel looked at projects in many markets and examined safety performance, innovations, challenges, and design and construction quality - with a special emphasis on the diversity of global project teams and their collaboration. They also considered how the project benefits the local community and/or the construction industry.

The panel had discretion to designate top selections as Global Best Project winners in a variety of categories, and pick Award of Merit honorees as warranted. All of the selected projects will be spotlighted in more detail in the Sept. 21 issue of ENR. In addition, that special issue will name which one of the Global Best Project-level winners will earn the title of 2020 Global Project of the Year!

This year, everyone around the globe has a chance to celebrate these global construction achievements and mingle with the teams behind the projects at our virtual awards event! To receive information about the Global Best Projects Awards Presentation in September, please visit: <https://www.enr.com/global-best-projects/mailling-list>

Airport/Port

Best Project: Colombo Port City Development Project Phase 1, located in Colombo, Sri Lanka. Submitted by China Harbor Engineering Company Ltd.

Award of Merit: Porto Alegre International Airport Expansion, located in Porto Alegre, Brazil. Submitted by Pöyry Tecnologia Ltda (AFRY)

Bridge/Tunnel

Best Project: Matagarup Pedestrian Bridge (originally Swan River Pedestrian Bridge), located in Perth, Australia. Submitted by Rizzani de Eccher SpA

Award of Merit: Xin Shougang Bridge, located in Beijing, China. Submitted by Beijing General Municipal Engineering Design & Research Institute Co., Ltd

Education/Research

Award of Merit: Macau Outlying Island Medical Complex - Nursing College Construction Project, located in Macau, China. Submitted by China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC)

Government Building

Best Project: U.S. Consulate General, located in Matamoros, Mexico. Submitted by BL Harbert International

Award of Merit: Ministry of Taxation Tower, located in Baku, Azerbaijan. Submitted by Thornton Tomasetti

Award of Merit: New Office Annex (NOX) and Major Rehabilitation/Upgrade, located in Amman, Jordan. Submitted by BL Harbert International

Health Care

Best Project: BioCork2: Janssen Sciences Ireland Plant Expansion, located in Cork, Ireland. Submitted by Janssen Sciences Ireland UC

Award of Merit: Başakşehir Pine and Sakura City Hospital, located in Istanbul, Turkey. Submitted by Arup

Office

Award of Merit: Bangui branch, Central Africa of BEAC (Banque Des Etats de L'Afrique Centrale), located in Bangui, Central African Republic. Submitted by Shanxi Construction Investment Group Co., Ltd.

Power/Industrial

Best Project: Initial Oil Train (IOT) Project, located in Basra, Iraq. Submitted by ENKA İnşaat ve Sanayi A.Ş.

Award of Merit: MEGlobal BOOKRAMEG Project, located in Freeport, Texas, U.S. Submitted by MEGlobal /Fluor /Worley

Rail

Best Project: Sydney Metro Northwest, located in Sydney, Australia. Submitted by Mott MacDonald

Award of Merit: Linea 2 Metro Panama, located in Panama City, Panama. Submitted by Consorcio Línea 2

Award of Merit: Universal Studios Station of the Extension Line of Beijing Metro Line 7, located in Beijing, China. Submitted by Beijing General Municipal Engineering Design & Research Institute Co., Ltd.

Renovation/Restoration

Best Project: Urban Renewal of Colon (Renovación Urbana de Colón), located in Colon, Panama. Submitted by CNO – Construtora Norberto Odebrecht

Residential/Hospitality

Best Project: Cantara Residences, located in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia. Submitted by Turner International LLC

Award of Merit: Four Seasons Astir Palace Hotel Athens, located in Athens, Greece. Submitted by Hill International, Inc.

Retail/Mixed-Use Development

Best Project: Stantec Tower and JW Marriott/Legends Residence, located in Edmonton, Canada. Submitted by PCL Construction and Stantec Architecture Ltd.

Award of Merit: The Ridge & Kl East Mall, located in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Submitted by Turner International LLC

Road/Highway

Best Project: Toowoomba Second Range Crossing, located in Toowoomba, Australia. Submitted by Ferrovial

Award of Merit: Bicycle tracks project from Huilongguan community of Changping district to Shangdi community of Haidian district, located in Beijing, China. Submitted by Beijing General Municipal Engineering Design & Research Institute Co., Ltd.

Award of Merit: Mejoramiento accesibilidad y conectividad Iquique, located in Iquique, Chile. Submitted by FCC Construcción

Specialty Construction

Best Project: Grand Hall PVM, located in Montreal, Canada. Submitted by seele GmbH

Sports/Entertainment

Best Project: VTB Arena - Dynamo Central Stadium, located in Moscow, Russian Federation. Submitted by Rizzani de Eccher S.p.a.

Award of Merit: Kigali Arena, located in Kigali, Rwanda. Submitted by SUMMA Turizm Yatırımcılığı A.Ş.

Water/Wastewater

Best Project: Al Mahsama Water Reclamation Plant, located in New Ismailia, Egypt. Submitted by Khatib & Alami

Award of Merit: El Alamein desalinization plant, located in Egypt. Submitted by FCC Construcción

Award of Merit: Sindh Water Sector Improvement Project, located in Hyderabad, Pakistan. Submitted by Mott MacDonald



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