WHY YOU SHOULD ENTER
• Get the chance to win an award for excellence in product manufacturing, services and sustainable initiatives
• Winning or being short-listed for an award boosts your brand value
• Gain publicity and coverage through Waste & Recycling Middle East magazine
• Get the chance to stand out from your competition
• The nomination process gives your company the ideal opportunity to address its strengths and weaknesses
• Nominating and subsequently winning will boost employee morale
• Winning products/services gain confidence of potential clients

HOW TO ENTER?
• Visit www.mewarawards.com
• Go through the Eligibility Criteria and Award Categories
• Click on the Nominations tab, create a unique user name and password (this will enable you to edit your entry later on, if need be)
• Fill in the form, choose your category and click on ‘Submit’
• Book a seat/table if you require – we recommend it.
**AWARD GUIDELINES**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**
Before you start to complete the online form please read carefully the parameters listed under each award category. And consider the following points while submitting your entry:

- You must submit a well-structured 500 word summary along with each nomination describing why you deserve the award, including key information that will help evaluate your entry against others. You must also submit supporting material that indicates how the nominee(s) have realised their goals.
- Supporting material should be submitted in PDF format (5 MB maximum).
- All supporting material must be collated into a Single PDF document (10 pages max.) and uploaded with your entry. The material including reports, figures, testimonials, photos, certifications, etc., should clearly support the facts mentioned in the summary.
- On each page of the supporting material, you must mention the Parameter which the document supports.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**
Nominees eligible for submitting their entries have to meet the following criteria:

- The company/facility must have been in operation for more than a year in the Middle East.
- The company must have a valid trade licence with a minimum expiry validity of 3 months.
- Individuals being nominated must have a valid visa for a Middle Eastern country.
- Manufacturers of waste management and recycling products, machinery, equipment and software are eligible to enter the awards in the applicable categories.
- Service providers who can nominate themselves include waste management and recycling companies, and municipalities in respective categories.
- The business sector and hotel sector can nominate under the relevant categories.
- You can enter a maximum of 4 categories. You may not enter more than 3 entries in each category, wherever applicable.
- All nominations should be submitted through the online entry form. Nominations submitted via emails will not be acknowledged.
- Entries should be based on the period starting from January 2017 to the time of nomination. However, relevant material for work carried out prior to January 2017 will be considered where applicable.
- The organisers reserve the right to amend or remove award categories. The judging panel has the right to withhold any award if in its view the entries do not meet the required standards.
- The jury’s decision will be final and binding on all nominees, and no correspondence will be entertained in this regard.
MEWAR AWARDS CATEGORIES

PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR (WASTE MANAGEMENT)
This award recognises an individual from a business organisation within the waste management sector in the Middle East. Individuals at the Directorial/CEO level who have been influential and have significantly contributed to making a visible difference within the waste management industry can enter this segment.

Basic parameters
• 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
• Your experience in the industry (including number of years)
• Notable achievements since January 2017
• Positive contributions that have been beneficial to your company in terms of its development, reputation, services and revenue
• Initiatives you have introduced to manage manpower effectively (specific to service provider)
• Contributions to operational efficiency of the waste management system
• Your view on sustainability and your efforts toward this
• Your commitment to training and innovation

Supporting information
• Other awards you have received for your work and services
• Testimonials from staff/client

PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR (RECYCLING)
Nominations are invited from individuals who are visionaries, influencers and are delivering positive change within the recycling sector in the Middle East. Individuals at the Directorial/CEO level who have shown leadership and commitment to go beyond what is expected to achieve top results in delivering the products, processes and services required for high performance in resource management can enter this award.

Basic parameters
• 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
• Your experience in the industry (including number of years)
• Notable achievements since January 2017
• How your presence and driving force in the company has positively impacted its growth, reputation, services and revenue
• Contributions to operational efficiency of the waste recycling system
• Your commitment to HSE, training and innovation
• Your view on sustainability and efforts in this regard

Supporting information
• Other awards you have received for your work and services
• Testimonials from staff/client
TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION OF THE YEAR (WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING)

Nominations are invited from waste management and recycling product and equipment manufacturers. The award recognises waste and/or recycling equipment that is outstanding in design and development in the specific segment, including innovation, quality, durability, sustainability and positive client feedback.

Basic parameters
- 500-word summary in the entry form on why the equipment deserves the award
- Key information about the innovative equipment
- Why this equipment is an innovation and how it is unique as compared to other products in the category
- Sustainability aspects
- Applications of the product
- Include a photo/video link of the equipment and its application(s)
- Its applicability in the Middle East market, and evidence of how the equipment has helped improve business performance (where applicable)

Supporting information
- Technical specifications
- Other awards the equipment has received
- Photographs/video links, if any
- Testimonials from customers

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMPANY OF THE YEAR

This award has been designed to recognise the consistent and sustainable solutions and services delivered by waste management companies, big or small, operating in the Middle East. The entry must demonstrate high level performance in terms of service delivery as well as sustainability, including health, safety and environmental aspects as well as commercial strength.

Basic parameters
- 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
- Information about your achievements (from January 2017)
- Information about new projects and clients
- Sustainable solutions and services
- Innovative technology/solutions you have adopted
- Details of your training and awareness programme(s)
- Staff strength and growth from last year (percentage)
- Overall revenue growth from 2017 to date (percentage)
- Contribution to clients’ success
- HSE performance and proof of perfect quality standards
- Significant contribution to waste diversion and minimisation
- Commitment to the development of the sector

Supporting information
- Other awards you have received
- Testimonials from client
- Photographs/video links, if any
- Other certifications
BEST MUNICIPAL WASTE DIVERSION PROGRAMME
This award has been designed to recognise local authorities who have significantly contributed to making a positive difference within the waste management industry. Nominations are welcome from entities that have taken a creative approach to improve their performance in terms of diverting waste away from landfill and promote recycling and reuse, including initiatives to actively engage the respective communities in the waste management and recycling programmes that ultimately drive resource efficiency.

**Basic parameters**
- 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
- Information about your waste management programme(s)
- Specific recycling initiatives/projects
- Key initiatives to encourage participation of communities in the programmes
- Implementation of sustainable models
- Public awareness programmes/campaigns
- The outcomes of the project or initiative

**Supporting information**
- Other awards you have received
- Photographs/video links, if any

ENVIRONMENTAL/CSR INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR
This award is designed to recognise companies that are ethical, socially responsible and are outstanding in their efforts to promote and follow sustainable business practices. Nominations are invited from commercial, industrial and public sector companies in the region.

**Basic parameters**
- 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
- A bit about your CSR policy, activities and success in the implementation of sustainable/CSR aspects
- Why this is unique as compared to your competitors and peers.
- How has your business improved with the implementation of the CSR initiatives
- Illustrate the sustainability of these initiatives in the long term.

**Supporting information**
- Other awards you have received for CSR activities
- Testimonials from client/government bodies, NGOs, etc.
- Photographs/video links, if any
FOOD WASTE INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR
Any company, large or small, particularly from the hospitality sector can enter this award. This award aims to recognise companies that have put in place successful programmes/initiatives, and have demonstrated commitment and creativity in dealing effectively with food waste through prevention, reduction or recycling.

Basic parameters
• 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
• Key highlights of the programme/initiative
• Technology/procedures or techniques used
• Food waste diversion achieved (specific quantitative information, if available)
• Benefits to customers
• The challenges, if any and how they were overcome
• Uniqueness and sustainability of the initiative

Supporting information
• Other awards you have received
• Photographs/video links, if any
• Other certifications

BEST PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN/ PROGRAMME
This award recognises outstanding public awareness campaigns in the region that aim to encourage active participation of communities in waste management and recycling initiatives. The awareness campaign/initiative must be creative and able to demonstrate a significant contribution to the waste recycling industry. It can include initiatives/projects such as re-use, recycling, composting, education, etc., that have a positive impact.

Basic parameters
• 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
• Information about your public awareness campaign/programme
• Information about the creative methods/tools used for the campaign
• Areas/communities covered
• Frequency/Term of campaign
• Positive /Measurable outcome(s)

Supporting information
• Other awards you have received
• Photographs/video links, etc.
• Testimonials from clients/government bodies, NGOs, etc.
BEST WASTE MANAGEMENT FLEET AWARD
This award has been designed to recognise the fleet efficiency approach of waste management companies including fleet management strategies including performance programme and best practices that support enhanced efficiency and effectiveness in operations.

Basic parameters
- 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
- Sustainable operations and Strategy
- Eco-friendly features
- Safety aspects
- Ergonomics
- Fuel Efficiency
- Innovative technology
- Uniqueness compared to others
- Driver productivity and satisfaction
- Driver Training
- Certifications
- Cost optimisation
- Customer satisfaction

Supporting information
- Other awards you have received
- Testimonials from clients
- Photographs/video links, if any
- Other certifications

MEDICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT BEST PRACTICE AWARD
The award for the Medical Waste Management Best Practice will go to the healthcare facility that can demonstrate the best record of progress and delivery of medical and hazardous waste management and treatment solutions, while maintaining an outstanding record on health, safety and environmental aspects. The winning entry will be chosen on the basis of the healthcare facility’s proven ability to deliver advanced solutions in this critical area. Waste management measures within the facility, disposal techniques, logistics and technological development are all important elements of success.

Basic parameters
- 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
- Healthcare facility’s proven ability to deliver the best waste management solutions overall
- Medical waste disposal measures within the facility and best practices in this area
- Rules and regulations as well as supervision of scientific and standardised management
- Procedures to deliver exceptional HSE performance
- Specific Technology/Systems in place for proper disposal and treatment of medical waste
- Measures to dispose and/ treat Hazardous waste
- Commitment to improve staff performance in this critical area and special training in this regard
- Performance assessment process (staff and service provider)
- KPIs to measure performance in medical waste management

Supporting information
- Other awards you have received
- Photographs/video links, if any
- Other certifications
PAPER RECYCLING COMPANY OF THE YEAR

This award aims to recognise the producers of pulp, paper and packaging material, etc., for their sustainable operations and creative solutions/products, as well as paper recycling companies operating in the Middle East, which have provided a service to their customers consistently and in a sustainable manner. Nominees should provide proof of the recycling levels achieved, sustainability of their operations and business, positive contribution to waste diversion and minimisation, customer satisfaction in terms of service delivery and prompt action in addressing issues.

**Basic parameters**
- 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
- Sustainable operations in terms of water and energy efficiency, raw material procurement, etc.
- Innovative technology/processes
- Collection programmes/Sustainable sourcing of material
- Proof of perfect quality and safety standards
- Specific recycling initiatives/projects
- Uniqueness of project/solutions/products
- Key outcomes of initiatives/areas of achievement
- Benefits to customers
- Volume of business done (from 2017 to date)
- Cost saving, revenues through recycling (from 2017 to date)

**Supporting information**
- Other awards you have received
- Testimonials from clients
- Photographs/video links, if any
- Other certifications

METALS RECYCLING COMPANY OF THE YEAR

Nominations are invited from manufacturers and metal recycling companies as well as scrap processors operating in the Middle East that have consistently provided a service to their customers in a sustainable manner. Nominees must provide proof of the recycling levels achieved, sustainability of the operations, also demonstrating improved recycling performance, customer satisfaction in terms of service delivery and prompt action in addressing issues. The company must be able to demonstrate a significant contribution to the industry.

**Basic parameters**
- 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
- Innovative technology/processes
- Sustainable operations
- Sustainable sourcing of raw material
- Proof of perfect quality and safety standards
- Specific recycling initiatives/projects
- Uniqueness of project/solutions/products
- Key outcomes of initiatives/areas of achievement
- Benefits to customers
- Significant contribution to the sector
- Volume of business done from 2017
- Cost saving, revenues through recycling (from 2017 to date)
Supporting information
• Other awards you have received
• Testimonials from clients
• Photographs/video links, if any
• Other certifications

PLASTICS RECYCLING COMPANY OF THE YEAR
Plastics recycling companies of all sizes operating in the Middle East can enter this award. The nominee should provide proof of the recycling activities, significant contribution to waste diversion and minimisation, sustainable sourcing of material and recycling processes, as well as levels of recycling achieved and customer satisfaction.

Basic parameters
• 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
• Specific recycling programme/projects
• Innovative technology/processes
• Sustainable operations and waste minimisation
• Proof of perfect quality and safety standards
• Sustainable sourcing of material
• Innovative, sustainable products
• Benefits to customers
• Volume of business done and recycling levels achieved (from 2017 to date)
• Customer, end-user feedback
• Significant contribution to the sector
• Cost saving, revenues through recycling (from 2017 to date)

Supporting information
• Other awards you have received
• Testimonials from clients
• Photographs/video links, if any
• Other certifications

ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT RECYCLING COMPANY OF THE YEAR (OEM)
This award aims to recognise the producers of electrical and electronic equipment for their sustainable approach and creative solutions/products. Nominees should provide proof of the recycling levels achieved, innovation in design and material use, sustainability of operations and business, positive contribution to waste diversion and minimisation, customer satisfaction in terms of service delivery and prompt action when the need arises.

Basic parameters
• 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
• Innovative technology/processes
• Creativity in design, material use and reuse
• Sustainable operations
• Collection programmes/Sustainable sourcing of material
• Proof of perfect quality and safety standards
• Specific recycling initiatives/projects
• Uniqueness of project/solutions
• Compliance and Take Back Scheme
AWARD GUIDELINES

• Key outcomes of initiatives/areas of achievement
• Benefits to customers
• Volume of business done (from 2017 to date)
• Cost saving, revenues through recycling (from 2017 to date)

Supporting information
• Other awards you have received
• Testimonials from clients
• Photographs/video links, if any
• Other certifications

ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT RECYCLING COMPANY OF THE YEAR (WEEE PROCESSOR)
This award recognises the WEEE recycling companies operating in the Middle East for their sustainable approach and creative solutions and services provided to their customers consistently and in a sustainable manner. Nominees should provide proof of the recycling levels achieved, sustainability of operations and business, positive contribution to waste diversion and minimisation, customer satisfaction in terms of service delivery and prompt action when the need arises.

Basic parameters
• 500-word summary in the entry form on why you deserve the award
• Innovative technology/processes
• Sustainable operations
• Collection programmes/ Sustainable sourcing of material
• Proof of perfect quality and safety standards
• Specific recycling initiatives/projects
• Uniqueness of project/solutions
• Key outcomes of initiatives/areas of achievement
• Benefits to customers
• Volume of business done (from 2017 to date)
• Cost saving, revenues through recycling (from 2017 to date)

Supporting information
• Other awards you have received
• Testimonials from clients
• Photographs/video links, if any
• Other certifications
COMPILING A WINNING NOMINATION

THINK BEFORE YOU ACT
Before selecting the category you think fits best, assess your strengths, achievements and weaknesses related to each category. You can submit your nomination for more than one category.

DON’T LEAVE NOMINATING FOR THE LAST MINUTE
Gather all the necessary data for your nomination before-hand and compile it in an orderly manner.

PUT YOURSELF IN THE JURY’S SHOES
Think of what you would look for if you were a jury member – then write your nomination clearly.

SIMPLE, SYSTEMATIC, SUCCINCT
These are the three S’s of the nomination. Ensure the information that you convey is clear and does not override the word or size limit. Focus on what the criteria actually requires. Ensure that all information is as relevant and current as possible. Ensure that all projects or case studies are excellent and as unique as possible.

BACK YOUR SUMMARY
While the 500 word summary will make a first impression, that alone is not enough. Ensure you attach as many testimonials, award certificates, certifications, photographs, video links, etc., and include facts and statistics to back your summary.

MULTIMEDIA
Pictures have the maximum impact – don’t hesitate to share project/application pictures where relevant. Video links work, too.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION SUBMISSIONS
August 30, 2018

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