

Media Release

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Shortlist for 2016 LowCVP Low Carbon Champions Awards announced!

The Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership (LowCVP) has announced the shortlist of nominees for the 2016 edition of the prestigious Low Carbon Champions Awards. The Champions Awards celebrate innovation and best practice in the UK's accelerating drive to cut carbon emissions from the road transport sector.

The Awards are in their sixth year and will, for the third time, following the sell-out and successes of 2014 and 2015, be presented at the LCV2016 Networking and Awards Dinner at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Milton Keynes. The event is held in collaboration with Cenex, and this year will take place on the evening of Wednesday 14 September 2016 – the first of two days of Cenex's Low Carbon Vehicle (LCV) 2016 event.

The Awards celebrate outstanding and innovative practice in the UK in accelerating the shift to lower carbon vehicles and fuels and reducing road transport emissions. The LowCVP Low Carbon Champions Awards are one of a select few sustainable development awards schemes to have received accreditation by the Royal Society of the Arts (RSA), which enables category winners to go forward to the European Business Awards for the Environment (EBAE).

The 'Grand Prix' sponsor of the 2016 Low Carbon Champions Awards is, once again, Millbrook, host of the LCV2016 event.

Awards categories and shortlist:

1. Low Carbon Car / Van Manufacturer of the Year (*Sponsor: Michelin*)

Shortlisted: BMW, Iveco Ltd, Mitsubishi Motors, Nissan, Tesla, Toyota GB PLC

2. Low Carbon Heavy Duty Vehicle Manufacturer of the Year (*Sponsor: Freight in the City*)

Shortlisted: Alexander Dennis Ltd, BYD Europe B.V., Scania Great Britain Ltd

3. Low Carbon Vehicle Operator of the Year (*Sponsor: BAE Systems HybriDrive®*)

Shortlisted: Alphabet, Bibby Distribution, First Bus, John Lewis Partnership

4. Low Carbon Fuel Initiative of the Year

Shortlisted: Argent Energy, CNG Fuels Ltd and National Grid Gas Distribution, ITM Power

5. 2016 Award for Low Carbon Innovation by an SME (*Sponsor: Advanced Propulsion Centre UK*)

Shortlisted: Microcab, Riversimple, Tevva Motors

6. Low Carbon Road Transport Initiative of the Year

Shortlisted: Addison Lee, Gnewt Cargo Ltd, H2 Aberdeen, Reading Buses

7. 2016 Outstanding Low Carbon Publication or Report

Shortlisted: Cambridge Econometrics, EA Technology, Element Energy, Element Energy & the International Council on Clean Transportation (ICCT)

Special awards categories: (No shortlist; winners announced on the night)

8. Outstanding Individual in Promoting Low Carbon Transport

9. 'Grand Prix': Outstanding Achievement in Low Carbon Transport (*Sponsor: Millbrook*)

Commenting on this year's Awards shortlist, the LowCVP Managing Director Andy Eastlake said: "It's been another year of significant progress in decarbonizing UK road transport from the point of view of both technology and uptake. In many areas of transport technology has been developing at an extraordinary pace, and vehicle users are having to work hard just to keep up. The LowCVP is at the centre of this exciting industry and we look forward to celebrating the UK's continued leadership in this vital area."

"I commend all those organisations that have made this year's Champions Awards shortlist and look forward to a great night on 14 September, when we'll announce the winners."

The LowCVP Champions Awards were established in 2010, and this year's event is again set to be the leading low carbon vehicle industry social and networking occasion of the year. Cenex-LCV2016, which is being held at Millbrook Proving Ground on 14-15 September, is the UK's Premier Low Carbon Vehicle Event, attracting UK and international visitors and combining a technology exhibition with broad B2B focus, a Ride & Drive in a test-track environment, networking activities and an extensive seminar programme. For more information, visit <http://www.cenex-lcv.co.uk/2016>

Background information

The **Low Carbon Champions Awards** – now in their sixth edition - are an initiative of the **Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership** (LowCVP), a public-private partnership that exists to accelerate a sustainable shift to lower carbon vehicles and fuels and create opportunities for UK businesses. Nearly 200 organisations are engaged from diverse backgrounds including government, automotive and fuel supply chains, vehicle users, academics, environment groups and wider society. For more information visit www.lowcvp.org.uk. For more details on the Awards categories see:

<http://www.lowcvp.org.uk/initiatives/lowcarbonchampions/index>

About **Cenex-LCV2016**

The LCV event (www.cenex-lcv.co.uk) has established its unique positioning for the Low Carbon Vehicle community as the technology showcasing and networking event. LCV2016 will be the ninth in a series of national low carbon vehicle events run by Cenex.

As the UK's Premier Low Carbon Vehicle Event, LCV attracts UK and international visitors and combines a technology exhibition with broad B2B focus, a Ride & Drive in a test track environment, networking activities and an extensive seminar programme. Each year the event has grown in size, attracting more delegates from business and academia, as well as earning its reputation as the place to meet key contacts from across the low carbon vehicle community.

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