

Ashden Awards 2020 eligible countries and regions

Businesses, NGOs, government organisations, social enterprises (both for-profit and not-for-profit, including community groups), or partnerships involving various types of organisations, are all eligible. Some awards are limited to work in certain parts of the world. The following list gives details of eligible countries and regions for each award area.

In the event that the British government guidelines advise against our assessors travelling to the region where applicants are operating, Ashden will make every effort to find an alternative arrangement for assessment. If this is not possible, it may be necessary to exclude applicants from the assessment process.

Energy Innovation

Clean Air in Towns and Cities

These awards are primarily for work in the UK. However, we will also consider work that is being carried out other countries, if the applicant aims to bring it to the UK market or is willing to see it replicated in the UK. In these cases, the purpose of the award would be to help the applicant raise their profile in the UK and bring their work here, and the prize would need to be spent in support of this goal.

UK Sustainable Buildings

Work submitted must be carried out in the UK. However, the applicant may be based outside the UK.

Energy Access Policy, Planning & Finance

Energy Access Finance or Business Model Innovation

Sustainable Energy and Livelihoods

These awards are focused on regions and communities which have previously had no access, or poor access, to energy (including both electricity and clean cooking). We expect work will be delivered, and/or the impact of your work to be made, in low-income and middle-income countries in the UN's developing regions of Africa, Caribbean, Central America, South America, Asia and Oceania (but organisations may be registered elsewhere). If your work is being delivered in a high-income country or in Europe please get in touch to discuss eligibility.

Humanitarian Energy

This award is for work in any area where there is a humanitarian need and access to clean energy is lacking.

Natural Climate Solutions

This award is for work in the Amazon, Congo Basin and South East Asian rainforest. We will also consider work that is being carried out elsewhere, if the applicant aims to bring it to one of these areas or is replicating it in these areas. In these cases, the purpose of the award would be to help the applicant raise their profile and replicate their work in these areas and the prize would need to be spent in support of this goal.

Cool Cities

This award is for work taking place anywhere globally but should have the potential for impact and for reaching people most vulnerable to extreme heat and heat stress.

Sustainable Buildings (International)

Sustainable Mobility

These awards are primarily for work being delivered in low and middle income countries. However, we will also consider work that is being carried out globally, if the applicant aims to bring it to the low and middle income countries market or is replicating it in these areas. In these cases, the purpose of the award would be to help the applicant raise their profile in these areas and bring their work there, and the prize would need to be spent in support of this goal.

Low and middle income countries

Ashden uses the World Bank definition for low and middle income countries, which includes all the countries listed below:

Afghanistan	Bhutan	Chad
Albania	Bolivia	China
Algeria	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Colombia
American Samoa	Botswana	Comoros
Angola	Brazil	Congo, Dem. Rep.
Argentina	Bulgaria	Congo, Rep.
Armenia	Burkina Faso	Costa Rica
Azerbaijan	Burundi	Côte d'Ivoire
Bangladesh	Cabo Verde	Cuba
Belarus	Cambodia	Djibouti
Belize	Cameroon	Dominica
Benin	Central African Republic	Dominican Republic

Ecuador	Lao PDR	Peru
Egypt, Arab Rep.	Lebanon	Philippines
El Salvador	Lesotho	Romania
Equatorial Guinea	Liberia	Russian Federation
Eritrea	Libya	Rwanda
Eswatini	Madagascar	Samoa
Ethiopia	Malawi	São Tomé and Príncipe
Fiji	Malaysia	Senegal
Gabon	Maldives	Serbia
Gambia, The	Mali	Sierra Leone
Georgia	Marshall Islands	Solomon Islands
Ghana	Mauritania	Somalia
Grenada	Mauritius	South Africa
Guatemala	Mexico	South Sudan
Guinea	Micronesia, Fed. Sts.	Sri Lanka
Guinea-Bissau	Moldova	St. Lucia
Guyana	Mongolia	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Haiti	Montenegro	Sudan
Honduras	Morocco	Suriname
India	Mozambique	Syrian Arab Republic
Indonesia	Myanmar	Tajikistan
Iran, Islamic Rep.	Namibia	Tanzania
Iraq	Nauru	Thailand
Jamaica	Nepal	Timor-Leste
Jordan	Nicaragua	Togo
Kazakhstan	Niger	Tonga
Kenya	Nigeria	Tunisia
Kiribati	North Macedonia	Turkey
Korea, Dem. People's Rep.	Pakistan	Turkmenistan
Kosovo	Papua New Guinea	Tuvalu
Kyrgyz Republic	Paraguay	



Uganda

Venezuela, RB

Ukraine

Vietnam

Zambia
Zimbabwe

Uzbekistan

West Bank and Gaza

Vanuatu

Yemen, Rep.

If you would like to ask our awards team about a specific country or region's eligibility for an award, please get in touch with us at apply@ashden.org