



## LowCVP News Release

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### **Low Carbon Champions to be recognised by the LowCVP – nominations open! Awards to be presented at celebration dinner alongside Cenex's LCV 2014 Event**

The Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership (LowCVP) is inviting organisations that have made a real difference in the area of low carbon transport to apply for the [Low Carbon Champions Awards](#). There are seven categories, covering areas ranging from cars to innovations, and the winners will be announced at a new event – set to be the low carbon transport networking event of the year - on **Wednesday September 10 2014**.

The 2014 LowCVP Low Carbon Champions Awards are held in association with [Cenex's LCV2014 Event](#) (Millbrook, 10-11 September), the UK's premier technology showcasing and networking event for low carbon vehicles and fuels. The Champions Awards will be presented at a dinner to be held at Jury's Inn, Milton Keynes, beginning at 6.30pm.

The LowCVP Champions Awards celebrate examples of outstanding and innovative practice in accelerating the shift to lower carbon vehicles and fuels and reducing road transport emissions.

There are seven categories of Awards reflecting the diversity of those engaged in encouraging the shift to lower carbon vehicles and fuels. There are also two special awards. The Award Categories are:

- Low Carbon Car / Van Manufacturer of the Year
- Low Carbon Heavy Duty Vehicle Manufacturer of the Year
- Low Carbon Vehicle Operator of the Year
- Low Carbon Fuel Initiative of the Year
- Award for Low Carbon Innovation by an SME
- Low Carbon Road Transport Initiative of the Year
- Outstanding Low Carbon Publication or Report

Special Awards include:

- Outstanding Individual in Promoting Lower Carbon Transport
- Grand Prix Award ('winner of winners'): Outstanding Achievement in Low Carbon Transport 2013-14

The LowCVP Awards winners will be assessed by a [panel of expert judges](#) drawn from the LowCVP's wide range of stakeholder organisations. Awards are for contribution to the low carbon road transport agenda since January 2013.

Short-listed nominations will receive a complementary place for a representative at the LCV 2014 dinner, courtesy of the LowCVP.

Andy Eastlake, the LowCVP's Managing Director, said: "The UK's low carbon automotive sector has been progressing in leaps and bounds over the last few years making it a leading UK industrial success story.

"Against this very encouraging backdrop, I expect there will be tough competition in this year's Champions Awards."

[Winners](#) of the most recent (Jan 2013) LowCVP Low Carbon Champions Awards included: Toyota GB; Wrightbus (with TfL); Coca Cola Enterprises; Greenenergy International; Williams Hybrid Power (with Go Ahead Group); Controlled Power Technologies/Advanced Lead Acid Battery Consortium; Charge your Car (North) and the International Energy Agency. Graham Smith, OBE, of Toyota Motor Europe was winner of the Outstanding Individual Award while Ford Motor Company and Transport for London were winners of a special award for their contribution to the low carbon road transport agenda over the last 10 years. (The 10 year award was a unique commendation to coincide with the LowCVP's tenth anniversary reception.)

Nominations, using the form accessible through [the website](#), (address below) should be sent to the LowCVP Secretariat no later than Friday, 13 June 2014.

The LowCVP Low Carbon Champions Awards are accredited by the Royal Society of Arts (RSA) which means that its winners are eligible to enter the prestigious bi-annual European Awards for Business and the Environment (EBAE). Prior winners of the LowCVP Low Carbon Champions Awards are in the running for the 2014 EBAE Awards.

The LowCVP is interested in hearing from potential sponsors for each of the 2014 Awards categories.

## **NOTES TO EDITORS**

Full details and downloadable entry forms for the LowCVP Awards 2014 are available at:

[www.lowcvp.org.uk/lowcarbonchampions/](http://www.lowcvp.org.uk/lowcarbonchampions/)

Please send media requests regarding the LCV 2014 dinner to: [secretariat@lowcvp.org.uk](mailto:secretariat@lowcvp.org.uk)

The LowCVP ([www.lowcvp.org.uk](http://www.lowcvp.org.uk)) which was established in 2003, is 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 automotive and fuel supply chains, government, vehicle users, academics, environment groups and others.

To keep up to speed with Cenex's seventh Low Carbon Vehicle event, LCV2014, visit [www.cenex-lcv.co.uk](http://www.cenex-lcv.co.uk), or follow @LCV\_event on Twitter.

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