PRESS RELEASE – 16th Steelie Awards shortlist announced

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The World Steel Association (worldsteel) has announced the shortlist for the 16th Steelie Awards. The Steelie Awards recognise member companies for their contribution to the steel industry over a one-year period in a series of categories impacting the industry. The winners will be revealed on Monday, 13 October. The Steelies are awarded in six categories:

Excellence in low-carbon steel production:

- ArcelorMittal Torero: Upgrading wood waste into renewable fuel for a greener steel industry: a large-scale demonstration
- China Baowu Steel Group Corporation Limited Optimisation of raw materials preparation for ironmaking using third-generation straight grate pelletising technology
- EMSTEEL Pioneering low-carbon steel: EMSTEEL's multi-lever net-zero strategy
- JSW Steel Limited Sustainable energy, environment, and decarbonisation (SEED):
 Accelerating decarbonisation through process efficiency and innovation

Innovation of the year:

- HYUNDAI Steel Company Development of 1.8GPa grade ultra high-strength hot-stamping material coated with zinc
- InfraBuild SENSE 600: Innovative lower-embodied carbon reinforcing steel solution
- **JFE Steel Corporation** Development of advanced sour resistant low-alloy steel for sour gas transportation pipes to contribute stable energy supplies
- **JFE Steel Corporation** J-Lecoa™: World-first integrated levelling control system for fully automated hot strip mill operation
- POSCO Ni-free high manganese austenitic steel for cryogenic energy industries

Excellence in sustainability:

- China Steel Corporation (CSC) Zhong Neng offshore wind farm advancing a triple win for the economy, environment, and society
- **EMSTEEL** EMSTEEL suppliers' ESG impact mapping and responsible sourcing framework
- Gerdau S.A. Gerdau for Rio Grande do Sul: Rebuilding the state after a climate tragedy
- HBIS Group Co., Ltd. Cross-utilisation of waste water and waste hear forming a new path for the deep integration of EAF process and urban development



- HYUNDAI Steel Company Advancement of resource circulation using byproducts between different industries
- Mobarakeh Steel Company Transforming industrial sludge into strategic value: A sustainability-driven innovation in steelmaking
- Ternium Winds of change: Ternium's first step into renewable energy in Argentina

Excellence in Life Cycle Assessment:

- ArcelorMittal Life Cycle Assessment being a vital part of Al-driven structural optimisation -Virtual Design Platform (VDP)
- CITIC PACIFIC Special Steel Group Co., Ltd. Innovative practices in the development of lowcarbon special steel products and brand building based on Life Cycle Assessment
- HBIS Group Co., Ltd. "LCA+Life Well-Being Index" Collaborative Evaluation System:
 Innovating to drive marketing and application of metal decorative products
- Jingye Group Research and application of metal powder PCR based on steel joint production
- **JSW Steel Limited** Use of LCA tool to predict the impact of green hydrogen manufacturing process and its injection in gas-based DRI plant under various scenarios.
- POSCO CEFacT: A system that responds to steel industry decarbonisation standards

Excellence in people:

- ArcelorMittal Integration of army veterans and supporting the families of fallen employees
- China Steel Corporation (CSC) Next-generation operational training and process assistance system through digital twin technology
- JSW Steel Limited JSW Steel's strategic framework for scaling steel technical expertise and innovation
- POSCO TL advancement: The key to a sustainable workforce and enduring expertise
- Tata Steel Limited Forging futures: Skilled hands, strong minds, safer tomorrow
- **Ternium** From policy to practice: Advancing inclusion across Ternium's industrial system

Excellence in communications programmes:

- ArcelorMittal The Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games
- **Gerdau S.A.** Steel is POP: The steel sunglasses that united Gerdau and Chilli Beans at Rock in Rio.
- JSW Steel Limited JSW Steel MSME Empowerment
- Tenaris Safety in First Person
- Tenaris TenarisSiderca 70th anniversary
- Ternium "Tomorrow, Santa Cruz" Documentary Building Futures Through Education
- UNESID #WomenOfSteel #MujeresDeAcero
- United States Steel Corporation (USS) | Live Here, Too



The <u>selection process</u> for the shortlist varies between awards. In most cases the submissions are requested via the appropriate worldsteel committee. Entries are then judged by selected independent expert panels.

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• The World Steel Association (worldsteel) is one of the largest and most dynamic industry associations in the world, with members in every major steel-producing country. worldsteel represents steel producers, national and regional steel industry associations, and steel research institutes. Members represent around 85% of global steel production.

