



## 2010 *fib* Awards for Outstanding Concrete Structures

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### Entry procedure

The *fib* Awards for Outstanding Concrete Structures are given every four years at the *fib* Congress to promote the international recognition of structures that demonstrate the versatility of concrete as a structural medium. Each award consists of a bronze plaque that may be displayed on the structure, and a certificate presented to the principal parties responsible for the work. Entries are to be supported by the *fib* National Groups. A jury designated by the Presidium selects the winners.

Applications are invited by the *fib* secretariat by distributing entry forms and procedures to all National Member Groups, and to the main participants in the 2002 and 2006 contests. The deadline for application is **31 August 2009**. The National Member Groups are asked to disseminate this information and invite appropriate candidates (designers, contractors or owners) to submit entries. The procedure and form will be made available on *fib*'s website, [www.fib-international.org/about/awards](http://www.fib-international.org/about/awards), and the information will also be published in the June 2009 issue of *fib*-news.

Entry forms are to be filled in and submitted by the applicants. For their application, they must have the written support (letter or email) of a Head of Delegation or the National Member Group Secretary in order to confirm the authenticity of the indicated authors.

The structures submitted must have been completed during the last four years before the Congress at which the award is to be attributed, not counting the year of the Congress. (For the Washington Congress relevant period is 1<sup>st</sup> January 2006 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009.) The jury may accept an older structure, completed one or two years prior to January 2006, provided that it was not already submitted for the previous edition of the award (Naples, 2006).

In addition to the entry form, candidates must submit a CD-ROM containing the following:

- Short text of about one page (or 500 words) per entry, provided as PDF files, giving:
  - an overview of the history of the project,
  - a description of the structure,
  - particularities of its realisation (difficulties encountered, special solutions found, etc.).
- Four or five representative photos of the whole structure. Each photo must be submitted in JPEG format with a resolution suitable for publication, i.e. 300 dpi (for photo sizes up to 18 × 24 cm).
- Any important details or plans.

NOTE: By applying for the award, the authorization to publish any or all of the submitted photos, or part thereof, in electronic or printed form, is automatically granted to *fib*.

The jury will be set up by the Presidium. The awards will be attributed in two categories, *Civil Engineering Structures* (including bridges) and *Buildings*.

The jury will attribute one or two 'Awards' and two or three 'Special Mention' citations in each category, but is free to change these numbers according to the entries received. It will take into account criteria such as:

- design aspects including aesthetics and design detailing,
- construction practice and quality of work;
- environmental aspects of the design and its construction,
- durability and sustainability aspects,
- significance of the contribution made by the entry to the development and improvement of concrete construction.

The decisions of the jury are definitive and cannot be challenged. The awards will be presented during a special ceremony at the Washington Congress in late May 2010. By submitting an entry, the applicant agrees, if chosen as a winner, to send a representative to attend the Congress to accept the award, with the travel and congress registration fees at the applicant's expense.

The entry fee for the competition is 500 € (or 750 CHF or 600 US\$) per project, to be paid at the time of application. To document this event and give it international publicity, *fib* will publish a full-colour brochure compiling selected entries, including the 'Awards' and 'Special Mentions'. The brochure will be distributed to *fib* members in about 900 copies; a further 500 copies will be distributed at the Washington Congress. Parties involved in the realisation of the projects will be offered the possibility of placing advertisements and ordering extra copies of this promotional document at special discount rates. As an example, a free copy of the 2006 Awards brochure is available on request.

