Enter the Quarry Life Award competition and help promote nature at extraction sites

HeidelbergCement invites you to submit your **biodiversity projects** for its sites around the world.

Extraction sites have a high degree of biodiversity due to the great variety of landscapes and the different habitats they offer. The aim of the Quarry Life Award is to raise awareness of the ecological value of extraction sites and share new best practices with the scientific community, NGOs, community groups and our operating units.

"The Quarry Life Award offers you a unique opportunity to add genuine ecological and educational value to an extraction site."

Quarry Life Award at a glance

Since the start of this competition in 2012, the Quarry Life Award has grown into a global success. The numbers from the past editions speak for themselves.

- 100+ quarries open for research
- 25+ participating countries
- 1100+ project proposals submitted
- 300+ projects carried out
- 1000+ researchers involved

Get inspired and learn more about the outstanding ideas and projects from the past editions at www.quarrylifeaward.com.



Register your participation

Would you like to compete for the Quarry Life Award? Just follow these three steps:

- 1. Choose a stream for your project the Research Stream or the Community Stream. Then pick a participating quarry in your country and develop a project proposal.
- 2. Register your proposal at www.quarrylifeaward.com by **18 November 2021**. The National Juries will announce the six proposals they selected for competition phase by 16 December 2021.
- 3. The selected projects will be carried out between **1 January and 15 September 2022**. The national and international juries will announce their winners as from October 2022, based on the final project reports.

Thank you for registering. Whether you win or not, remember that your efforts help enhance the ecological and educational value of an extraction site, and therefore our planet as a whole.

Good luck!



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Boost biodiversity with your idea



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HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Do you have a project idea to further research and promote biodiversity in quarries? Participating is easy!

1. Choose a stream

The Quarry Life Award 2022 is a **two-stream competition** held in more than 20 countries worldwide. Projects can be carried out by individuals or teams in one of the following streams:

■ Research Stream

Scientific projects that increase the knowledge of quarry-specific ecology and/or lead to improved biodiversity, landscape or water management at our extraction sites.

Open to academics, scientists, topic experts and NGOs.

■ Community Stream

Projects that help the quarry and our operating units to better connect with the community and raise awareness among the wider general public of the biodiversity at our extraction sites.

Open to all individuals and organisations (including middle schools or older, NGOs, youth clubs, community groups and environmental organisations) without a scientific background, but with a big heart for nature.

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2. Register your project proposal

Pick a participating quarry in your country and develop a project proposal. If you would additionally like to compete an international level, you have to submit the proposal in English. And you'll have to choose one of the **following categories**:

- Biodiversity Management
- Habitat & Species
- Beyond Quarry Borders
- Biodiversity & Education
- Connecting Quarries and local Communities
- Nature Based Solutions

You can find more detailed information about the international categories at www.quarrylifeaward.com.

REGISTER YOUR PROPOSAL AT WWW.QUARRYLIFEAWARD.COM BY 18 NOVEMBER 2021.

The jury will select the **six best project proposals** in each country (three in each stream) by 16 December 2021. All selected projects will compete simultaneously for national and international awards (international participation only if proposal and Final report are in English!).

3. Carry out your research

The selected participants will carry out their research, education and promotional projects between 1 January 2022 and 15 September 2022. At the end of this competition phase, the participants must submit a final project report of no more than 10 pages. Participants who wish to compete for an international award must submit this report in English.

AND THE WINNERS ARE ...

At **national level**, the two best projects will be awarded their prizes in the autumn of 2022. The winning team in the research and community stream will each be awarded with prize money with the purchasing power of € 5000.

At international level, the international jury will assess all competing projects from a broader perspective, with due consideration for transferability criteria. The best projects in each of the six categories will be awarded a prize of € 10 000 each. The best project overall will receive € 30 000.



