

Awards

Exceptional Emerging Talent 2025

This award category honours individuals who live or work in / for the East Midlands region who demonstrate outstanding potential and contributions early in their career in the highways and transportation sector.

This award is open to CIHT members living or working in the East Midlands region only, and with a maximum of 5 years of experience in the highways and transportation sector.

Entries from graduates, students (PhD, MSc and BSc levels) and apprentices are particularly encouraged.

Emerging Professionals and Apprentices who are members of CIHT may nominate themselves for the Award or be nominated by their CIHT Region or their employer.

Entries must clearly explain how the submission meets the criteria specified.

Judging Criteria for the Award:

- Introduction (incl. nominee's details and membership number) – 100 words
- Evidence of technical skills and innovation in their work (20%)
- Leadership and initiative shown in projects or tasks (20%)
- Contribution to advancing sustainability, safety, or efficiency (15%)
- Collaboration and teamwork abilities (15%)
- Positive impact on the organisation or community (15%)
- Testimonials or references from colleagues or mentors (15%)

How to enter:

To enter this award please complete the [Online Entry Form](#) with a maximum of a 1,100-word incl. the problem statement and supporting documents. **The deadline for entries is 23:59 on Friday 12th September 2025.** Any questions or doubts please do not hesitate to contact us at regions@ciht.org.uk.

Please ensure that you have read the [Important Submission Information](#) before submitting your entry. Shortlisted entries will be notified in October. Winners will be announced at the **CIHT EM Awards Dinner at the Nottingham Belfry Hotel on the evening of Thursday 13th November 2025** and details published through a variety of media platforms.