

THE WINNERS OF THE 2015 ASHDEN AWARD

On 11 June 2015, the winners of the Ashden annual Award 2015 have been recognized for its innovative work on sustainable energy in a [Ceremony at the Royal Geographical Society in London](#). During the event short films on the winners were broadcast, followed by presentation of the Awards.

The annual Ashden Awards recognize organizations that are cutting carbon, reducing poverty and improving lives. The awards are given in different categories, with an overall UK Gold Award and an overall International Gold Award. The UK Gold Award winner was Max Fordham, in recognition for its role in driving up standards across the building sector as a whole. The International Gold Award winner was SteamaCo in Kenya, recognizing its game-changing role in bringing smart tech to rural areas.

In 2015 there were 214 entries for the Ashden Awards, across the following areas: Energy and wellbeing, Sustainable buildings, Sustainable travel and Rural energy. After a rigorous assessment and judging process, 49 applicants were longlisted, from which 21 finalists were selected by the judging panels and visited by one of team of experts to see their work on the ground. The judges then agreed on 11 Award winners.

Based in the United Kingdom, the Ashden organization promotes universal access to sustainable energy. In the UK Ashden promotes local sustainable energy and a shift to a low carbon economy bringing green jobs, energy security, lower fuel bills and reduced fuel poverty. Through the Awards, Ashden valorise some of the world's best green trailblazers and help them accelerate their work. The Ashden organization also supports the winners through its [international programme](#) to develop their work and to gain access to new networks.

The Ashden web page shows very interesting technologies adopted by the winners and internationally promoted by the organization. These technologies include: [Biogas](#); [Biomass briquettes](#); [Biomass gasification](#); [Low energy buildings](#); [Micro-hydro](#); [Solar grid connected](#); [Solar home/lanterns](#); [Solar thermal](#); [Water pumps](#); [Wind](#) and [Wood stoves](#).



In 2016 Ashden will organize two new international awards, one recognizing efforts to use sustainable energy technologies to increase access to water in areas where it is currently lacking, and the other celebrating sustainable solutions.

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