New Building Performance Award Announced for Energy-Efficient Lighting Systems

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CIBSE has announced a new lighting category for entry to its Building Performance Awards, endorsed by the Society of Light and Lighting (SLL).

The Lighting for Building Performance Award recognises the importance of lighting within the built environment and its impact on energy consumption. Lighting impacts on occupants and represents 30-40% of a commercial building's energy use.

The judges, who will include SLL's President Elect Liz Peck, will be looking for lighting systems or innovative lighting designs first commissioned or launched between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2014. Entries will need to show delivery of the required illumination levels (on all relevant surfaces not just the working plane), lighting quality and working conditions for building users or occupants, and demonstrate substantially reduced energy consumption and carbon emissions.

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Building performance is critical in helping reduce the UK's energy demands. Buildings consume almost 50% of our energy in the UK and it is recognised that around 20% of energy used in buildings is needlessly wasted. The CIBSE Building Performance Awards, which focus on actual, measured performance, not design intent or performance specifications, are judged by a panel of experts and industry leaders from a number of complementary spheres within the built environment.

Entries can be made online at www.cibse.org/bpa and close on 11th September 2014. The Awards Dinner will be held at Grosvenor House, London, on 10thFebruary 2015.

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