WorldGBC Individual Leadership Awards 2019 - 2020
Chair’s Award and David Gottfried Award

The Awards

Each year WorldGBC gives two major awards recognising the contributions of individuals to the global green building movement: the WorldGBC Chair’s Award and the David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award.

The WorldGBC Chair’s Award celebrates the worldwide green building industry’s accomplishments and honours the individuals who have contributed to the rapid green transformation of the global property, design and construction industries. Typically, two awards are given each year.

The WorldGBC’s David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award recognises those involved in the worldwide sustainable construction movement whose contributions have been particularly pioneering, displaying entrepreneurialism that has helped to transform or advance the green building mission. One award is given each year.

The awards:

- **RECOGNISE** the achievements of individuals in greening the building industry and the built environment.
- **BUILD COMMUNITY** to honour those who serve as role models in the green building movement and who have made major contributions to the Green Building Council community.
- **CELEBRATE** the green building community at Congress.

AWARDS CRITERIA

To guide submissions of nominations, the following criteria should be used:

Chair’s Award

- Significant impact on sustainability in the building and property industry at the national, regional or global level.
- Demonstration of leadership that motivates and inspires others.
- Collaboration across boundaries and reputation as an effective and valuable partner.
David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award

- Development of an organisation, business or idea from the ground up that has had a significant impact on the global green building movement.
- Creation of a compelling vision for the future and a path to enable that future to happen.
- Demonstration of an ongoing commitment to transforming the status quo.

Selection of the winners

WorldGBC members, staff, the Board and Corporate Advisory Board will be consulted to provide nominations. The Chair and the CEO will review the nominations and provide recommendations to the Executive Committee, who will then review and approve the proposed recommendations.

The Chair, CEO and Executive Committee will consider the above criteria. To reflect the international role of the WorldGBC, each slate of winners should endeavour to include diversity in geographic representation, gender, race, and organisational roles, where possible. David Gottfried will also have input into the David Gottfried Award.

Timeline

The 2019 - 2020 awards will be presented virtually at the WorldGBC MENA Green Building Congress, as part of the Business Forum on Wednesday 24 June. The Jury (Executive Committee) will have a meeting on Tuesday 9 June to review the recommendations and decide the award winners. The winners will be contacted on Thursday 11 June and their awards will be posted to their home addresses before the announcement on Wednesday 24 June.

- Thursday 4 June – Deadline for Award nominations from Members, Board, CAB and WorldGBC staff
- Tuesday 9 June - Jury evaluates candidates and selects the winners
- Thursday 11 June – Winners notified and invited to attend virtual ceremony
- Wednesday 24 June – Winners announced at MENA Green Building Congress 2020

Please send your nominations to Rebecca Moir (rmoir@worldgbc.org) by Thursday 4 June 2020.
Appendix A

History of WorldGBC Chair’s Award & David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award Winners

2011
Chair’s Award winners
- Dan Slone, WorldGBC General Counsel
- Che Wall, Former WorldGBC Chair and GBCA founder
- Cesar Ulises Trevino, Mexico GBC
- Brian Denny, TRCA
- Nellie Cheng, CaGBC
- Kath Williams, former WorldGBC President
- Huston Eubank, former WorldGBC Executive Director

Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award winner
- David Gottfried

2012
Chair’s Award winners
- Tim Smit, Eden Project
- Duygu Erten, Turkey GBC
- Nicola Milne, GBC South Africa
- Rachel Gutter, USGBC
- Sadek Owainati, Emirates GBC

David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award Winner
- Prof. Siegbert Zanettini (Brazil)
2013

Chair’s Award winners

- Ray Cole, Green Building Challenges
- Cameron Sinclair, Architecture for Humanity

David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award Winner

- Karim Elgendy, Carboun

2014

Chair’s Award winners

- Qiu Bao Xing, former Executive Vice Minister with the Chinese Government’s Ministry of Housing and Urban Development
- Tony Arnel, former WorldGBC and GBC Australia Chair
- Alejandro Aravena, Chilean Architect

David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award Winner

Nils Kok, GRESB

2015

Chair’s Awards Winner

- Paul King, former CEO of UKGBC, current Managing Director of Sustainability at Lend Lease
- Dr Keung, Building Construction Authority (BCA) Singapore

David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award Winner

- Elon Musk was selected, but WorldGBC/David Gottfried were unable to contact him

2016

Chair’s Awards Winner

- Rick Fedrizzi, former CEO of USGBC
- Pierre Andre de Chalendar, CEO of Saint Gobain
- Mayor and Deputy Mayor of Vancouver, for commitment to Net Zero buildings by 2030
2017
Chair’s Awards Winner

- Romilly Madew, CEO of Green Building Council of Australia

David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award Winner

- William McDonough and Professor Dr Michael Braungart, co-authors of the 2002 book *Cradle to Cradle: Remaking the Way We Make Things*

2018
Chair’s Awards Winner

- United Technologies Corporation and Dr Joseph Allen of the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health were jointly awarded the WorldGBC Chair’s Award, together with Dan Slone, former legal counsel to WorldGBC and founder of Vertical Vision PLC.

David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award Winner

- Energiesprong was awarded the David Gottfried Global Green Building Entrepreneurship Award.