



Safety Innovation in the Spotlight once more: Annual Awards open to entries

With a track record of encouraging continuous in safety throughout the cargo handling sector, ICHCA and long-standing sponsor TT Club are proud to announce that entries are open for this year's Innovation in Safety Awards.

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The inspiring technologies and bold initiatives in operational management that have typified the growing number of entries to this award over the last ten years are testimony to the industry's commitment to safety. Those wishing to join the ranks of these innovators are invited to share their ideas, successes and safety developments and enter here [Entering the TT Club Innovation in Safety Award - ICHCA International](#). Where the full judging criteria can be studied.

In announcing the launch of the 2025 Award process, Richard Steele, CEO of ICHCA said, "We have always believed that all our innovators who put forward their initiatives deserve recognition and praise; not just those that eventually achieve highly commended or winner status. As such, we will use our Membership support and widespread industry coverage to help share all our entrants ideas throughout the coming year in line with our avowed policy of shared knowledge and cooperation among cargo handlers worldwide."

The *TT Club Innovation in Safety Award* is open to an individual, team or company involved in cargo handling or logistics operations, or a supplier to such organizations. Entrants must show that their product, idea, solution, process, scheme or other initiative has resulted in a demonstrable improvement in safety and complete their entry by 14 November 2025. Winners across four distinct categories will be announced, and all innovators celebrated at a ceremony in London in late February next year.

Past winners have ranged from individual entrepreneurs and specialist suppliers to employee teams in major industry businesses and have included the International Transport Workers' Federation and

ITF Seafarers' Trust; Ram Spreaders; SSA Marine; Straatman Mooring Systems; Viking Hydro-Pen; APM Terminals; Tank Container Temperature Monitoring; Hapag Lloyd's Cargo Patrol; Cargotec and many others over the ten years that the awards have been running.

"At TT Club, we've seen first hand the real impact innovation can have on safety in cargo handling. Many past award entrants have gone on to make tangible improvements to on-site safety," says Mike Yarwood, TT Club's Managing Director of Loss Prevention. "I'm once again excited to see the new entries we'll receive this year—knowing that any one of them could represent the next big leap in protecting workers."

Developing technologies combined with knowledge and experience at all levels of an organization can significantly enhance risk mitigation and improve industry safety standards. The opportunity exists not just to prevent headline grabbing events, but also day-to-day incidents that may be less in the media spotlight but can affect both shore-side workers and ships' crew. While recognising the more outstanding initiatives aimed at safety enhancement these awards also shine a light on all the innovations that also address these day-to-day issues.

"We are pleased to have the opportunity to spotlight the passion and creativity of our safety innovators no matter their size or available resource," concluded Steele. "Every year we speak to people who have genuinely innovated, but just see it as part of their job. We urge all those who have made positive changes to the way they do safety to enter this year's Award to help spread the good news."

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About ICHCA International

Established in 1952, ICHCA International is an independent, not-for-profit organisation dedicated to improving the safety, productivity and efficiency of cargo handling and movement worldwide. ICHCA's privileged NGO status enables it to represent its members, and the cargo handling industry at large, in front of national and international agencies and regulatory bodies, while its Technical Panel provides best practice advice and develops publications on a wide range of practical cargo handling issues.

Operating through a series of national and regional chapters, including ICHCA Australia, ICHCA Japan and plus Correspondence and Working Groups, ICHCA provides a focal point for informing, educating, lobbying and networking to improve knowledge and best practice across the cargo handling chain.

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