

## EPIC Photonics Sustainability Award

This award recognizes companies in the photonics industry for their contributions to the 3 pillars of sustainability: environmental, social, and economic.

### Why you should participate:

- Demonstrate your commitment to the sustainability agenda and enhance employee recruitment and engagement
- Get the recognition you deserve for your active engagement and contribution to sustainability
- Award Recognition - The winner will receive:
  - A commemorative trophy
  - In-person recognition from peers during the EPIC Annual General Meeting
  - Promotion through press releases, printed media, online social media, and video

### Application Components

1. **Company Overview:**
  - Brief description of the company, its products, services, and market presence.
2. **Sustainability Initiatives:**
  - Detailed explanation of sustainability projects, including their goals, implementation, and impact.
  - Optional supporting data, such as energy savings, emissions reductions, or certifications achieved.
3. **Community and Industry Impact:**
  - Description of contributions to the broader community or industry.

### Evaluation Criteria

- **Impact (40%):** Measurable environmental, social, or economic benefits achieved.
- **Commitment (30%):** Evidence of sustained dedication to sustainability principles over time.
- **Scalability (20%):** Potential for wider adoption within the photonics industry or beyond.
- **Innovation (10%):** Novelty and uniqueness of the approach or technology.

### Submission Process

- The company must be a member of EPIC - European Photonics Industry Consortium
- The company must operate in Europe
- Submit maximum 1 page by email to [neringa.noreikiene@epic-photonics.com](mailto:neringa.noreikiene@epic-photonics.com) **before 21 December 2025**, the award recipient will be notified on 7 February 2025. The award will be presented at the EPIC Annual General Meeting in April 2026 in Juan Les Pins, Nice, France.
- Applications will be reviewed by the EPIC Sustainability Committee:
  - Katharina Zeuner, Optics Specialist at Eclipse Optics
  - Elizabeth Illy, Head of Marketing at Hübner Photonics
  - Estefania Cervantes, Global Sustainability Manager at Edmund Optics