Green Digital Charter awards rules & eligibility

**Eligibility criteria**

1. All Green Digital Charter signatories[[1]](#footnote-1) are eligible to submit an entry
2. The submitting body must be the local government authority
3. Each city may submit a maximum of one entry per category, except category two (Best GDC pilot project) in which up to three entries can be submitted. Nevertheless, only one project per city can be shortlisted in category two
4. Cities can enter all four categories but can only win a maximum of two categories
5. Applications must be in English
6. A valid application means:
   1. The provided entry form has been completed
   2. Activity/Project/tool/progress of the city or other material that relates to the application has been appropriately completed and can be found by the jury, other cities and the public in the online GDC/NiCE toolkit (<http://www.greendigitalcharter.eu/toolkit/gdctoolkit_Home.php>)

**General evaluation criteria**

The awards’ categories reflect the three different aims and commitments a signatory city undertakes upon signing the Green Digital Charter. To evaluate the applications, jury will, per category, focus on:

1. Reduction target achieved so far, use (quality of data) of the GDC ICT carbon footprint tool & use (frequency) of the GDC ICT carbon footprint tool
2. Performance indicators of the project, innovation of the project & use of the GDC reporting tools
3. Performance indicators of the projects (combined performance), existence of an encompassing strategic plan, diversity of projects’ scope & use of the GDC reporting tools
4. Number of tools added in the toolkit, number of activities added in the toolkit, use of SAQ tool, use of GDC/CoM tool, completeness of city’s profile & contribution in the forum, exchange, etc.

1. Including cities that will sign the Green Digital Charter after the awards’ announcement but before the deadline for the applications’ submission [↑](#footnote-ref-1)