



STEP 2: Full Application Submission for the DuPont Operational Excellence Award

Deadline for submission: **May 31, 2017**

For the purposes of the operations excellence award category, “Operations Excellence” implies the application of management techniques – principles, systems and tools - aimed at sustainably optimizing operating efficiencies and asset uptime, as well as maximizing quality, consistency and yield from existing and new facilities and processes.

The jury will only consider projects that result in measureable outcomes, rather than an activity, tool, or best practice. These improvements should be demonstrated through defined key performance indicators (KPIs). The projects should also be sustainable over the long-term, and focus on continuous improvement. Additionally, they should include elements related to culture and people, and thus be characterized by a high level of employee engagement. Furthermore, the jury will not consider projects that solely implement a pre-defined operations excellence tool or only include the purchase of new technologies or technical capabilities.

As it pertains to the business processes that the jury will consider, this includes, but is not limited to the following: process performance, quality improvement, supply chain management, maintenance & reliability and shutdown/turnaround performance. Projects focused on a safety or sustainability outcomes – including energy efficiency – will not be considered for this category, and should rather be used to apply for the safety or sustainability category.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The full application for the DuPont Operational Excellence Award must include:

1. A brief description of the company and its trajectory, including activities in the field of operational excellence - maximum 1 A4 page (3'000 characters).
2. A brief summary of the project – maximum 3 A4 page (10'000 characters) providing a description of the conceptual, structural, operational and technological aspects of your project, with a clear structure and subtitles addressing the different aspects and criteria:
 - What is your corporate vision for Operations Excellence? How has this been translated into everyday actions?
 - How has corporate culture been leveraged to achieve these goals?
 - How are these goals / commitments integrated into the corporate strategy?
 - What specific tools has leadership used to influence stakeholders?

Please note the jury will consider the following five criteria to award the prizes:

- **Performance Improvement** – What results were achieved? Demonstrate using key performance indicators (KPIs)
- **Visible Management Commitment** – How has management played a role in achieving the positive outcome?
- **Sustainability of the Initiative** – What measures were included to ensure the continued success of the initiative?
- **Cultural Improvement** – What cultural elements were leveraged, and how did they contribute to the sustainability of the initiative?
- **Stakeholder Engagement** – How were stakeholders – internal or external – engaged to deliver the positive outcomes?



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