

International Safety Awards 2021

Press release – Merit

News release

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GAe Engineering and COIMA - Porta Nuova 2021 is presented with an International Safety Award for protecting its employees from the risk of injury and ill health at work

GAe Engineering and COIMA - Porta Nuova 2021 has won an International Safety Award with a Merit from the British Safety Council in recognition of its commitment to keeping its workers and workplaces healthy and safe during the 2020 calendar year.

GAe Engineering and COIMA - Porta Nuova 2021 is one of 155 organisations to win a Merit in the International Safety Awards 2021.

Now in their 63rd year, the [International Safety Awards](#) recognise and celebrate organisations from around the world which have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the scheme's independent judges their commitment to preventing workplace injuries and work-related ill health during the previous calendar year. The awards also recognise organisations that have shown commitment to wellbeing and mental health at work.

In 2021, 387 organisations won an International Safety Award. They span all sectors with significant representation from the construction, manufacturing, oil, gas and mining, and power and utility sectors. Winners were drawn from 37 countries worldwide. 85 organisations were awarded a Distinction, 155 organisations were awarded a Merit and 147 organisations achieved a Pass.

Mike Robinson, Chief Executive of the British Safety Council, congratulated GAe Engineering and COIMA - Porta Nuova 2021 on their success in winning an International Safety Award 2021 with a Merit: "The British Safety Council applauds GAe Engineering and COIMA - Porta Nuova 2021 on their achievement. The award is in recognition of their commitment and hard work to keep their employees and workplaces free of injury and ill health.

"The vision of the British Safety Council is that *no-one should be injured or made ill through their work* – anywhere in the world. Achieving this requires more than complying with legislation; it means people committed not only to health and safety but also more and more to workplace wellbeing and impelling others to follow suit.

"The long list of winners of the International Safety Awards, demonstrates that a significant number of companies recognise that effective management of health and safety risks is a business growth enabler,



benefiting not just employees, but organisations and wider society. By celebrating the achievements of the 387 winners of the 2021 International Safety Awards and over six decades of improving health and safety standards around the world, we encourage other organisations to adopt this approach and place employees' health, safety and wellbeing at the core of their business.”

“Our heartfelt congratulations to GAe Engineering and COIMA - Porta Nuova 2021. All of those working at GAe Engineering and COIMA should be enormously proud of their achievement.”

Notes to editors

Photographic requests

Images of GAe Engineering and COIMA - Porta Nuova 2021 are available to illustrate this press release – please contact SSB@gae-engineering.com

About the International Safety Awards scheme

The [International Safety Awards](#) are open to organisations of all types, sizes and sectors in the UK and internationally, both members of the British Safety Council and non-members, and relate to the health and safety management at a specific site or business unit.

Applicants must answer a series of online questions about their management of health and safety risks during the previous year which are assessed by a team of independent chartered health and safety professionals. If the application meets the required standard, a pass, merit or – for exceptional submissions – a distinction is awarded.

Selected high scoring winning organisations are shortlisted for additional ‘Sector Awards’ recognising outstanding sites and business units in up to 13 individual business sectors, as judged by the independent adjudicators.

The International Safety Awards scheme also features two awards to recognise exceptional individual performance of non-health and safety professionals who played a significant role keeping their work colleagues safe and healthy. These are the Health and Safety Champion of the Year Award, for personnel aged 25 or over, and the Young Health and Safety Champion of the Year Award, for personnel aged 16-24.

These allow organisations applying for an International Safety Award to nominate individual employees who have gone the extra mile to help protect the health, safety and welfare of their colleagues and others.

The winners of the Sector Awards and the Health and Safety Champion and Young Health and Safety Champion of the Year, as well as the awards for Team of the Year Award and Bravery Award, will be announced on 4 May 2021.

While there is no International Safety & Mates in Mind Awards Gala Dinner once again this year, we are making plans and look forward to welcoming you to our Gala Dinner in June 2022 to celebrate your success through such challenging times.

More information on the International Safety Awards can be found at: www.britsafe.org/isa

About the British Safety Council

The British Safety Council believes that *no-one should be injured or made ill through their work*.

Since its foundation in 1957, the British Safety Council has campaigned tirelessly to protect workers from accidents, hazards and unsafe conditions, and played a decisive role in the political process that has led to the adoption of landmark safety legislation in the UK. Its members in more than 60 countries are committed to protecting and improving the wellbeing of workers, believing that a healthy and safe work environment is also good for business.

As part of its charitable work, the British Safety Council leads health and safety networking forums for all sectors, facilitates and promotes best practice in Britain and overseas. It also offers a range of services and products, including training, qualifications, publications, audits and awards. The British Safety Council works closely with organisations, charities and individuals who share its vision of ensuring that every worker goes home at the end of the day as healthy as they were when they went to work.

We would be grateful if you could use British Safety Council in full rather than abbreviating to BSC when quoting our organisation.

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