

RURAL YOUTH EUROPE AWARDS 2023



THE CATEGORIES

For projects carried out between June 2022 - July 2023



Rural Youth Europe - Project of the Year

A Rural Youth Project is a project where young people have worked together towards a common goal on a voluntary basis. A project in which an individual or group of young people have worked together for the benefit of themselves, their local community or the greater good.



Inspirational Person of the Year

A young person who has set an example for others and who has been truly inspirational in their actions and/or words.



Inspirational Club of the Year

An exceptional club that has set an example to others and has been truly inspirational in their actions and support to their members or local community.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR PROJECT



1. Fill in the application form (available to download on the website).
2. Send in a minimum of 1 photo to support your submission appropriate for social media.
3. Send the form and photo direct to communications@ruralyouth europe.com. All entries will be verified with member organisations before judging.
4. Please send any submissions received to communications@ruralyouth europe.com by **Friday 21st July**.
5. Remember: All submitted materials should be in English.

Please note that by submitting photo material you also agree to it being published on the Rural Youth Europe website and social media channels - please make sure you have permission from members before submitting.



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PRIZE

As well as recognition at a European level, the winner of each category will receive:

- A guaranteed space on the 2024 Study Session
- A certificate and pack of RYEurope merchandise
- A feature on Rural Voices - the Rural Youth Europe Podcast
- A feature on the Rural Youth Europe Social Media Channels

JUDGING CRITERIA



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- We will be judging how well the aim of your project is in line with the overall purpose of your organisation and what the benefits are to your organisation, members and local community.
- Level of innovation and creativity in all project phases such as general idea and implementation, communication and advertising throughout the project.
- Level of involvement and volunteering of young people in the planning and implementation of the project.



Inspirational Person of the Year 2023

- We will be judging the level of innovation, adaptability and resilience of the individual.
- Level of impact on other youth and clubs.
- Level of involvement and volunteering in different projects.



Inspirational Club of the Year 2023

- We will be judging the level of innovation, adaptability and resilience of the club.
- Level of involvement and volunteering in different projects that benefit members and the local community.

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SELECTION PROCESS



The Inspirational Rural Youth Person and Club will be judged internally, with the winner and runner-up announced at the European Rally in August 2023 and via social media.

For the Rural Youth Project of the Year, past RYEurope Board members will carry out an internal judging process to choose the three best projects to proceed to the second stage of the competition. After the selections, a public voting will take place on the RYEurope Facebook page. This stage will be worth 20% of the overall score with the project receiving the most votes on Facebook gaining 20%; 2nd place 15% and 3rd place 10%.

Unbiased judges will carry out a judging exercise and award points which will make up the remaining 80%. The winning project will be the project which receives the highest scores from public votes and judges votes combined. The winning project will be announced at the European Rally in August 2023 and via social media.

For more information on the awards please contact the RYEurope office by contacting Dan on communications@ruralyoutheurope.com.

