



Frequently Asked Questions

Quarry Life Award 2021 Australia

What is the Quarry Life Award?

The International Quarry Life Award is a corporate-community biodiversity competition created by HeidelbergCement. Running in more than 50 countries, the competition invites community and education organisations to enter HeidelbergCement quarries, complete biodiversity projects and compete for a range of local and international prizes. In 2021, Hanson Australia and Alex Fraser are jointly hosting the fifth edition of the International Quarry Life Award in Australia.

We're inviting community and education groups to take up the biodiversity challenge and complete a project at one of three Victorian operations, including Wollert Landfill and Hard Rock Quarry, Langwarrin Sand Quarry and Clarinda Recycling Facility.

Who can apply?

We invite all nature enthusiasts including researchers, students, local community groups, service groups and NGOs to apply.

When do applications close?

Initial project proposals must be submitted by November 18, 2021.

How does the contest work?

Applicants must submit their initial project proposals by November 18, 2021.

The Australian competition judges will select up to six projects to enter the competition, to be announced on December 16, 2021.

The three sites will be opened to the chosen contestants to complete their projects during the research period from January 2022 to September 2022.

Contestants are required to submit a 'final project report' before September 15, 2022.

How long should the final report be?

This report is to be no more than 10 pages.



What are the two streams for the national competition?

Projects can be carried out by individuals or teams in either the Research or Community stream.

What is the Research stream?

Scientific projects that increase the knowledge of quarry-specific ecology and/or lead to improved biodiversity, landscape or water management at the designated sites.

What is the Community stream?

Projects that help the sites better connect with the community and raise awareness of the biodiversity at our sites.

Is there a prize for the winning project?

There are **cash prizes** for the winning projects:

There are National prizes for each stream of 5,000 Euro (approximately **AU\$7,500**)

There are 6 International prizes of 10,000 Euro (approximately **AU\$15,000**)

The best overall project will receive 30,000 Euro (approximately **AU\$45,000**)

Will I be out of pocket for expenses incurred in setting up my project?

Project set up costs will be covered up to the value of **\$3000 (AUD)**. This covers all resources required to be purchased. It does not cover travel, accommodation, meals or time.

How much time can I spend at the quarry working on my project?

You can spend as many hours as required on your project, but it must be completed between January 2022 and September 2022.



Will my project be considered for the international competition?

Projects will be considered for the international competition if they meet one of the six categories including:

- Biodiversity Management
- Habitat & Species
- Beyond Quarry Borders
- Biodiversity & Education
- Connecting Quarries and local Communities
- Nature Based Solutions

Can I visit an operation before submitting a project to be carried out there?

Yes, site visits can be arranged. Please email ken.brown@hanson.com.au to arrange a visit.

Will I still be able to work on my project once the competition is over?

Project works required after the competition close date will be considered on an individual basis.

Where can I register?

You can register on the Quarry Life Award website – <https://www.quarrylifeaward.com/user/register>