



**Minister for
Manufacturing
Awards 2025**



**Excellence in
Manufacturing
Leadership**

Excellence in Manufacturing Leadership Award

We are excited to invite nominations for the **Excellence in Manufacturing Leadership Award**, which recognises an individual who has made a transformative and lasting contribution to New Zealand's manufacturing sector. This prestigious award celebrates outstanding leadership, innovation, and dedication to driving the success and future of the industry.

Presented in Partnership

The inaugural **Minister for Manufacturing Awards 2025** is proudly supported by **Advancing Manufacturing Aotearoa** and the **New Zealand Government** through the Minister of Small Business and Manufacturing Hon Chris Penk.

Key Dates

- **Nominations Open:** Friday 27th February 2025
- **Nominations Close:** 5pm, Friday 28th March 2025
- **Finalists Notified:** Friday 25th April 2025
- **Winners Announced:** Wednesday 28th May 2025 at SouthMach Christchurch

We look forward to celebrating the leadership that is shaping the future of New Zealand's manufacturing industry.

We encourage nominations from across the sector to ensure that those who have made a significant and meaningful impact are acknowledged for their dedication and hard work.

Nominees should be individuals who have demonstrated an enduring commitment to advancing New Zealand's manufacturing industry, whether through innovation, leadership, or long-term contributions.

To nominate an outstanding individual for the **Excellence in Manufacturing Leadership Award**, please submit a detailed nomination outlining their achievements and impact in the categories below.

Nomination Criteria

Nominees should exemplify excellence in one or more of the following areas:

1. Innovation & Process Improvement

The nominee has demonstrated a commitment to advancing manufacturing processes, introducing innovative solutions, or championing the adoption of new technologies that have resulted in significant improvements in efficiency, productivity, or sustainability.

2. Industry Leadership & Vision

The nominee has shown exceptional leadership in guiding their organisation or the broader industry through challenges, inspiring positive change, and driving the vision for the future of manufacturing in New Zealand.

3. Impact on Workforce Development

The nominee has contributed to the growth and development of the workforce by fostering skills training, upskilling initiatives, and employee engagement programs that help develop the next generation of manufacturing leaders.

4. Sustainability & Environmental Stewardship

The nominee has made substantial contributions to promoting sustainability within the manufacturing sector, such as implementing environmentally responsible practices, improving resource efficiency, or developing solutions that reduce environmental impact.

5. Advancing Competitiveness & Global Reach

The nominee has played a key role in enhancing the competitiveness of New Zealand's manufacturing sector on a global scale, through strategic initiatives that increase market share, expand export opportunities, or improve operational performance.

6. Community Impact

The nominee has demonstrated a commitment to community engagement, either through supporting regional communities or being a positive advocate for New Zealand's manufacturing sector.

Nomination Process

Submission Requirements:

- Nominations must be submitted via the official entry form.
- Nominations must be submitted by 5pm, Friday 7th March 2025.

Evaluation and Selection:

- All nominations will be assessed by an independent judging panel.
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Privacy and Publicity

7. Use of Information:

- By entering, nominators and nominees grant permission for AMA to use the following non-confidential information for purposes directly related to the Minister for Manufacturing Awards publicity:
 - Nominee names and likenesses (e.g. photographs, video and/or sound recordings and written materials).
 - Nominating company name
 - The information will be used solely for:
 - Promoting the Minister for Manufacturing Awards.
 - Recognising the achievements of nominees and winners.
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Additional Terms

8. Decisions Are Final:

- Judging panel decisions are final, and no correspondence regarding these decisions will be entered into.
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Contact Information

If you have any questions about the nomination process or conditions of entry, please contact us at info@amanz.nz.

In submitting an entry you are confirming that:

- The information submitted is correct.
- No information has been omitted or misrepresented, through which omission or misrepresentation may materially diminish the standing of the Minister for Manufacturing Awards or affect the judging of an award category. (In particular, there are no known financial or legal issues associated with the company that is entering.)
- All rights and clearances regarding any third parties or any third-party intellectual property associated with this entry have been obtained.
- If asked by the judges, you will promptly provide supporting evidence to substantiate any claim you have made.
- AMA will not be held responsible for any loss or damage incurred to the entry either in transit or whilst in its possession.

We have read and agree to the AMA Entry Terms & Conditions as stated above

For a copy of the official entry form, contact Catherine Lye – CEO, AMA info@amanz.nz