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EFCA announces the Future Leader of the Year 2025

EFCA is thrilled to announce the winner of the sixteenth Future Leaders' Competition: **Anders Reinertsen Liaøy** from Norway. Among a wide range of impressive entries, Anders and his team stood out to the jury with their comprehensive and technically robust approach to reducing CO₂ emissions in the built environment. The project demonstrates a strong integration of engineering expertise, stakeholder collaboration, and new technologies to tackle climate challenges in a meaningful way.



Anders, aged 35, is a mechanical engineer at Multiconsult, specialising in the environmental aspects of buildings and technical systems. Andres and his team's project is a commendable example of engineering used to assess and mitigate carbon emissions through well-adapted, innovative solutions, which demonstrated above-average performance across all evaluated criteria. Anders' work reflects a thoughtful and committed response to today's environmental and engineering challenges.

The jury congratulates the winners of our excellence categories:

Excellence Category: Digital & New Technologies

Simona Corrado (Italy), 32, is a Technical Engineer – Control Room at Acquedotto Pugliese. Simona has developed a system that makes exemplary use of IoT sensors, data collection, and AI to ensure the safety and continuity of drinking water supply. Her solution detects and enables the rapid repair of installation leaks, helping secure critical water infrastructure.

Excellence Category: Impact on Climate & Biodiversity

Mara Franchi (Italy), 31, Partner and Project Coordinator at 3TI Partnership, presented a large-scale river restoration initiative. Her project contributes to global efforts aimed at restoring natural river landscapes and biodiversity. Well-structured and effectively communicated, the project reflects the growing international focus on returning land to rivers and increasing ecosystem resilience.

Excellence Category: Excellence in Engineering

Cian Long (Ireland), 34, is a Senior Engineer for Bridges and Civil Infrastructure. He delivered an advanced engineering project involving the construction of the longest precast segmental bridge. His role demanded meticulous coordination across multiple international offices operating around the clock. The jury praised Cian's exceptional project management and leadership skills.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

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