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cidb ERWIC Awards Entries Now Open

24 April 2025 - The Construction Industry Development Board (cidb) has officially opened the entries for the highly anticipated 2025 Empowerment and Recognition of Women in Construction (ERWIC) Awards.

These prestigious annual awards celebrate innovation and leadership. They recognise women and organisations driving change in the South African construction industry. The awards highlight their best work over the past year. They also aim to inspire new standards for women as a powerful force in advancing gender equality.

“This year, we encourage all the women who’ve ever considered entering, all the trail blazers, the jet setters, the path finders and the change makers in our bustling and exciting industry to enter, cidb CEO **Bongani Dladla** states. “Showcase your passion, your hard work and inspire others by showing what it truly means to be #BuildingLikeAWoman,” says **Dladla** .

The cidb ERWIC Awards have evolved significantly since inception, reflecting the expanding roles and contributions of women in the construction industry. “We believe these awards play a crucial role in transforming the face of our industry by recognising the exceptional contributions of women in construction,” **Dladla** adds.

To participate, entrants must meet specific criteria, including being actively registered with the cidb, where applicable, disclosing their BBBEE status, and ensuring that projects entered into projects, business and individual categories are completed within the specified time frame. Projects must be from Southern African regions and completed between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2024.

“We would like to encourage participants to start preparing their submissions, which will be judged through an externally audited adjudication process, ensuring transparency and fairness in the selection of winners,” says **Dladla**.

The awards ceremony will take place in Gauteng on August 14, 2025, coinciding with Women’s Month and emphasising the importance of female empowerment and recognition in the construction industry.

“We look forward to a fantastic year of quality entries that highlight the exceptional professionals we have in our industry. The cidb looks forward to celebrating with you!” concludes **Dladla**.

Entries are open until 28 May, 2025, and participants can find more information on entry guidelines and the Categories and Criteria on the cidb ERWIC Awards website <https://erwicawards-cidb.co.za>

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