



COLIVING AWARDS

Application Guide 2024

Coliving Awards is the first award ceremony dedicated to highlighting key innovators, actors and ideas that are shaping the coliving industry.

If you are reading this guide, you are most likely considering and already preparing your application to the Coliving Awards 2024. It is imperative that you follow the instructions and requirements in order to prove your eligibility and position within the competition.

Thank you for joining us on this journey. We look forward to receiving your application and of course wish you the best of luck!

For Frequently Asked Questions, please check our [FAQ page](#).

For any further questions or queries, you can send us an email to connect@colivingawards.com.

Eligibility, Criteria & Process

Phase 1: Eligibility

In phase one, all applications will be reviewed by our internal team to make sure that all criteria are being met. During the eligibility phase our team will not judge or give a specific score to your application. We will simply make sure that the specific set of criteria are well represented in the deliverables from each applicant.

The criteria for each category includes a checklist and a set of relevant questions which need to be answered within the application and presentation in order to qualify. Please note that applications that do not directly respond to the criteria checklist and application questions and are not written in English will not be eligible to be evaluated by our lead judge and jury panel.

Phase 2: Evaluation from Lead Judge (Criteria & Evaluation Questions)

After our team reviews the applications for eligibility, our lead judge will evaluate all eligible presentations from his / her own category for phase two. According to the criteria checklist and required answers to respective questions, our lead judge will give a score for each application, which will result in the selection of maximum 4 finalists and 1 or more honourable mentions.

Phase 3: Jury Panel & Public Vote

Further evaluation by the whole jury panel will also be based on the set criteria and respective questions, and our wider jury panel will be responsible for nominating the winners of each category, alongside the public vote and the previous scores from each jury member.

Transparent Voting Procedure

Our voting system is based on the combination of different voting power percentages, accounting for: the expertise based evaluation by our lead jury member (35%), a congregate of votes by the jury panel (30%) and a public vote by industry stakeholders and audience through LinkedIn (35%).

The audience vote remains visible for the public to follow throughout the process, however the final results will be disclosed during the awards ceremony.

To see more about our voting procedure, you can review our [FAQ page](#).

Building & Architecture

Designing sustainable and future-proof shared living buildings

Category Description

The built environment can have an immense influence on our shared experience when driven by human-centric, environmentally sustainable and innovative thinking. With the help of cutting-edge spatial design and architecture, fitted uniquely into coliving's core pillars of community, sustainability and wellbeing, this specialist real estate model is becoming the face of the future of real estate itself – and its designs are some of the biggest creative engines behind that movement. This category will award the builders, developers, architects and spatial designers that are taking the leaps needed to create the future-proof shared living homes our world so desperately needs.

For whom?

Developers, builders, architects, design studios, spatial designers, in-house design teams

Eligibility checklist

Your application will be considered eligible according to the criteria below:

- 1) **Efficient construction and development phases and successful opening(s):** your building is already in operations and you can prove occupancy, or your design is currently under construction and will be opening in 2024.
- 2) **Use of innovative/sustainable materials:** building materials consider leading sustainability certifications and use state of the art sustainability technologies / materials.
- 3) **Building includes property and construction technology integrations:** the building uses technology to enhance operations and sustainability.
- 4) **Fosters wellbeing and community:** the building design incorporates elements of biophilia, wellbeing design and social interaction techniques.
- 5) **Building includes spaces open to the public:** your building has communal spaces that are open to local neighbours and community groups.

Evaluation questions

Besides the relevant information supporting the eligibility criteria, we have designed a set of questions that supports each of the evaluation points accordingly. Please make sure to answer each of these questions in your presentation in order to be eligible and properly evaluated by our lead judge and jury panel.

- 1) **Efficient construction and development phases and successful opening(s):** Was your building delivered on budget and within the timeline? Did you successfully open your building with full operational capacities and strong occupancy rates? Please provide any planning / budgeting materials when possible. If a building is still under construction please provide development and budget timelines.
- 2) **Use of innovative/sustainable materials:** What makes your coliving building / architecture stand out? How are you using sustainable and innovative construction materials? Please list these materials, their applications and how they contribute to innovative building and architecture methods.
- 3) **Building includes property and construction technology integrations:** What were the innovative building, design, construction and technology methods used for your building? Please list these technologies and their applications.
- 4) **Fosters wellbeing and community:** How does your project foster wellbeing and community? Please provide specific features and case studies where applicable.
- 5) **Building includes spaces open to the public:** How will you assess / how are you assessing the impact of your building on your staff, residents and locals? Please provide any qualitative and quantitative data / metrics when possible.

Deliverables

In order to participate and submit a valid application to the Coliving Awards you will need to:

- Meet all the eligibility criteria, provide argumentation to prove you are meeting the eligibility criteria as well as include the answer to the set of questions within the specific category
- Fill in the form you will find on the portal to submit your application.
- In the form you will find a field to provide a **short description** that elevates your project submissions. This description may be used to present your project online on our website and during the Coliving Awards ceremony. Make sure it's representative and provides a high level outline of your project positioning in relation to the specified criteria The length for this description should be between 1200 - 1500 characters including spaces.
- Deliver a presentation containing all information as stipulated in the point above, in PPT or PDF format (size 16:9, horizontal)
 - You can create a presentation with your own visual language and branding and provide as much information as you please to strengthen your application. However, we are providing a templated presentation that may guide you through the process. Download the **Building & Architecture** presentation template from the category page [here](#).

- Your presentation should have a maximum of 20 slides.
- Your presentation must as well include the following information:
 - Name / Company representative of the applicant
 - Organisation / Company name and logo (if applicable)
 - General information about the specific project / site / product in English
 - Responses to questions above and additional resources requested in the eligibility and evaluation criteria, such as data on planning, budgeting, development, timelines and user metrics when applicable
- Applications must be in English in order to be processed and accepted
- Upload to the applicant portal the following materials:
 - Supporting images / renders (in hi-resolution JPG / PNG - 150 dpi) in ZIP format (max 10 images)
 - Name your files with the following system: organisation-projectname-image#
 - Representative project image (max 10 MB) to be used as a thumbnail in the application portal and other relevant communication from Coliving Awards about your project