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Top safety accolade for Skanska

Skanska's piling, foundations and ground engineering team, Cementation Skanska has had its approach to occupational health and safety recognised in an awards scheme run by the safety charity, the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA).

The President's Award, that acknowledges 10 consecutive gold awards, will be presented at the RoSPA Occupational Health and Safety Awards 2013 ceremony in the Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel, at the National Exhibition Centre, on Wednesday 15 May 2013.

Dating back 57 years, the RoSPA Awards scheme is the largest and longest-running programme of its kind in the UK. It recognises commitment to accident and ill-health prevention and is open to businesses and organisations of all types and sizes from across the UK and overseas. The scheme not only looks at accident records, but also entrants' overarching health and safety management systems, including practices such as leadership and workforce involvement.

David Rawlins, RoSPA's Awards Manager said: "RoSPA firmly believes that organisations that demonstrate commitment to continuous improvement in accident and ill-health prevention deserve recognition. Cementation Skanska has shown that it is committed to striving for such continuous improvement and we are delighted to honour it through the presentation of an award."

Ken Ryder, Director for Cementation Skanska, commented: "Health and safety is top of the agenda in our business. It is vital to us that our employees and the people who work with us go home safely each day.

"Our commitment to occupational health is to ensure that our colleagues live healthy and fulfilling lives during and after their working careers."

The majority of awards that RoSPA presents are non-competitive, marking achievement at merit, bronze, silver and gold levels. Organisations maintaining high standards can win gold medals, president's awards and orders of distinction.

Competitive awards are presented in more than 20 sectors, and also recognise excellence in specialist areas, such as the management of occupational road risk (MORR).

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About Skanska

	Skanska UK	Skanska globally
Employees	4,000	57,000
2012 revenue	£1.166 billion	About £12.5 billion (SEK123 billion)
2012 operating income	£42.1 million	About £927 million (SEK9.1 billion)
President and CEO	Mike Putnam	Johan Karlström
Established	2000	1887

Skanska is one of the world's leading project development and construction groups. The UK operation is one of the country's top 10 contractors.

Working collaboratively with customers, partners and our supply chain, we make a positive difference to society.

In the UK, Skanska is famous for building iconic structures like 30 St Mary's Axe (the Gherkin), Heron Tower, Barts and The Royal London hospitals and the QEII Bridge. Just as important are our extensive service-based contracts: upgrading London's gas infrastructure, a wealth of facilities maintenance contracts, long-term street lighting projects, and landscaping for the London 2012 Olympic Park in Stratford.

By combining our skills and experience in construction and infrastructure development, we have become a UK leader in delivering projects in healthcare, education, defence, transportation and municipal services, delivered through both private and public investment. Specialist in-house teams provide world-class foundations and piling expertise, as well as mechanical and electrical services for buildings and infrastructure.

Operating around the world in selected home markets in Europe, the US and Latin America, Skanska is listed on the Stockholm stock exchange and headquartered in Sweden's capital city.

Our values

Our Code of Conduct and Five Zeros together embody our values and the way we do business:

- zero loss-making projects
- zero accidents
- zero environmental incidents
- zero ethical breaches
- zero defects

Sustainability

Our forward-looking approach to sustainability is expressed through Our Journey to Deep Green™, where our ultimate aim is for all Skanska projects to have a near-zero impact on the environment. Our role as a leading green developer and contractor was confirmed when our President and CEO, Mike Putnam, was invited to be Co-Chair of the government's Green Construction Board, alongside Business Minister Michael Fallon, in 2012.

Recent project highlights

- An eight-year, £1.6 billion Gas Distribution Strategic Partnership working with Morrison Utility Services to help deliver National Grid's gas mains replacement programme.
- The design, construction, operation and maintenance of the UK's biggest hospital project, the £1 billion redevelopment of St Bartholomew's and The Royal London.
- Construction projects worth about £500 million for the London 2012 Olympic Games, including the wild-flower meadows that became one of the enduring memories of the Games.

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- In joint venture, Skanska delivered the £1 billion widening of the M25, one of the world's busiest motorways, ahead of schedule. A £320 million design and construction contract to upgrade further sections of the M25 was awarded to the Skanska Balfour Beatty joint venture at the end of 2012.
- With a value of more than £400 million, seven Crossrail contracts have been secured by a Costain Skanska joint venture since 2010, including the Bond Street and Paddington stations.

Recent awards

- The Prime Minister's Better Public Building Award for University College Hospital (UCH) Macmillan Cancer Centre
British Construction Industry (BCI) Awards 2012
- Employer of the Year, *Construction News Awards* 2012
- The greenest company in the UK across all industries, *The Sunday Times Green List* 2011

Development areas in the UK

- Infrastructure Development – Skanska UK is at the forefront of delivering public private partnerships – from financing projects, through design and construction, to facilities management.
- Residential Development – Skanska launched its first residential development in the UK in 2012, with a firm focus on sustainability and functional design.
- Project Development – commercial property development from concept to market.

Skanska UK is backed by the financial strength of Skanska AB in Sweden.

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RoSPA

The headline sponsor for the RoSPA Awards 2013 is NEBOSH (the National Examination Board in Occupational Safety and Health). Sponsors of specialist trophies are: The International Dilmun Environmental Award - GPIC; The MORR Trophy - Allianz; The Occupational Health Award (Astor Trophy) - BHSF; The Workforce Involvement in Safety and Health Trophy - Springfields Fuels; The MORR Technology Trophy – Tesco Dotcom and The RoSPA International Sector Award – airsweb.

Three days of award ceremonies and three banquets <will be held in Birmingham from May 14-16, alongside Safety and Health Expo 2013, which is Europe's leading annual health and safety exhibition. An award ceremony and gala dinner will also take place in Glasgow on September 19. See www.rospace.com/awards/ for more information about the RoSPA Occupational Health and Safety Awards.