**2024 Award for Excellence in Sustainability**

**APPLICATION FORM**

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| Deadline **March 25, 2024** |

* Please send your application as one single PDF e-mail attachment by March 25, 2024, at 12:00 (noon) CET, to irene.girones@nutfruit.org.
* Please read the **requirements** before applying.
* It will be necessary for any project admissible for the award to be completed within the last two years before the deadline for application.
* All projects must be submitted using this **Application Form**, which must be written in English, in Arial 10 pt.
* The information provided in this application will be published in INC communication channels, including INC’s website, newsletter, magazine, etc.
* For further information, please contact Irene Gironès, Statistics and Technical Projects Manager, irene.girones@nutfruit.org.

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| *Project title[[1]](#footnote-1):* |  |
| *Company/organization:* |  |
| *This project was:* | 🞎 Research🞎 Business implementation🞎 Product development🞎 Other[[2]](#footnote-2):  |
| *SDG[[3]](#footnote-3):* | 🞎 Goal 2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture🞎 Goal 6: Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all🞎 Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns🞎 Goal 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts🞎 Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss |
| *Topic:* | 🞎 Industrial innovation🞎 Energy efficiency🞎 Circular economy: profitable processing/by-products🞎 Supply chain transparency and traceability🞎 Diversity, equity and inclusion🞎 Net zero and Scope 3 emissions🞎 Nature-positive approaches and regenerative agriculture🞎 Water management🞎 Packaging🞎 Other[[4]](#footnote-4): |
| *Products[[5]](#footnote-5):* | 🞎 Almonds🞎 Brazil nuts🞎 Cashews🞎 Hazelnuts🞎 Macadamias | 🞎 Pecans🞎 Pine nuts🞎 Pistachios🞎 Walnuts 🞎 Peanuts | 🞎 Dates🞎 Dried apricots🞎 Dried cranberries🞎 Dried figs🞎 Dried grapes🞎 Prunes |
| *Project start date[[6]](#footnote-6):* |  |
| *Project end date[[7]](#footnote-7):* |  |
| *Project duration[[8]](#footnote-8):*  |  |
| *Abstract[[9]](#footnote-9):****600 words max.*** |  |
| *Impact and outcomes[[10]](#footnote-10):****600 words max.*** |  |

1. 100 characters max. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Please specify. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Please tick all SDGs relevant to the project. The INC has identified 5 SDGs as the most relevant for the nut and dried fruit industry: Goals 2, 6, 12, 13 and 15. To be eligible, the project must be relevant to at least one of the INC Focus SDGs. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Please specify. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Please tick all products relevant to the project. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. dd/mm/yyyy [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. dd/mm/yyyy [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. In months. [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. Please provide a summary of the project. Background that illustrates objectives, scope, scale and size of the project. Describe how the project has demonstrated initiative, leadership, creativity and innovation. This summary should highlight innovation and key results of the project. 600 words max. [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
10. Please describe the project’s results, impact and achievements. Quantifiable impact and outcomes. Which gap was filled by the project? Why is it relevant to the nut and/or dried fruit industry? 600 words max. [↑](#footnote-ref-10)