**Entries for 2020 vector award to close shortly**

For the 7th time, the vector award jury is anticipating a record number of exciting energy chain applications this year from around the globe; but be quick. Entries for this year’s competition will close on Friday 28th February.

While the movie stars can hardly wait for the spotlight of an awards ceremony, designers don not often rush into the limelight. But the jury of experts for the vector competition knows that it is precisely they and their innovations that deserve attention. That is why developers are called upon to compete for the 7th vector award with their novel and demanding energy chain applications.

Energy chains have long been the standard in energy supply systems in many industries and markets. In thousands of machines and plants around the world, they ensure that cables and hoses are guided safely and often overcome very special design challenges. And it is exactly these applications that the jury of the 7th vector award is looking for.

“The last vector award two years ago was attended by 187 teams from more than 30 countries,” says Michael Blaß, Head of Business Division e-chain systems at igus. “Once again, we expect a large international field of participants.”

After the application phase, it will be exciting: a jury, consisting of experts from professional associations, trade magazines, industry and science will sift through the entries. The most novel and demanding design with the greatest innovation will receive the golden vector award. The prize includes 5,000 euros, the award will be presented at the 2020 Hannover Messe.

For further information about the award and the terms and conditions of participation visit: [www.igus.co.uk/vector](http://www.igus.co.uk/vector) or call igus directly on: 01604 677240

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