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**News release**

## **CNIM AWARDED PRESTIGIOUS SWORD OF HONOUR**

CNIM has won a prestigious Sword of Honour from the British Safety Council.

The company, CNIM Environment & Energy EPC, the engineering, procurement and construction contractor for Masdar Bee'ah waste-to-energy plant located in Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates, was one of few organisations worldwide that achieved a Sword of Honour, which is awarded to companies which have demonstrated excellence in the management of health and safety risks at work.

In order to compete for the Sword of Honour an organisation first had to achieve the maximum five stars in the British Safety Council's health and safety management audit scheme in the period August 2019 – November 2020. It has also demonstrated to an independent panel of experts that it has achieved excellence in their health and safety management throughout the business – from the shop floor to the boardroom.

Lawrence Waterman, Chairman of the British Safety Council, said: "On behalf of the board of trustees and staff of the British Safety Council I would like to congratulate CNIM Environment & Energy EPC on achieving the topmost standards of health, safety and environmental management. Accomplishing such distinction takes real commitment and professionalism. We are delighted to have supported you in your achievements in what has been an unprecedented year given the COVID pandemic."

Mike Robinson, Chief Executive of the British Safety Council, added: "I would like to congratulate the winning organisation and its staff for their steadfast dedication to keeping their workplace safe and healthy. This year presented an additional and significant challenge in the form of COVID-19 and I pay tribute to CNIM Environment & Energy EPC for its hard work and commitment through these challenging circumstances".

"All of the Sword winning organisations share a commitment and resolve to achieve the uppermost standards of health, safety management. We are delighted that they are partners in helping achieve our vision that *no-one should be injured or made ill through their work.*"

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## About the awards

The 2020 awards mark the 41st consecutive year in which the British Safety Council has awarded the [Sword of Honour](#) for health and safety management excellence and the eighth year of awarding the [Globe of Honour](#) for excellence in environmental management.

The winners achieved the maximum five stars in the British Safety Council's independent [Five Star health and safety and/or environmental management audits](#) in the period 1 August 2019 – 31 July 2020. They also demonstrated to an independent adjudication panel that they had a proven track record and culture of best practice for excellence in health and safety or environmental management that runs throughout the business, from the shop floor to the boardroom.

## Notes to editors

### Photographic requests

Images of the Sword and Globe of Honour awards and 2019's awards presentation luncheon are available from: [damian.testa@britsafe.org](mailto:damian.testa@britsafe.org). Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will not be holding an awards ceremony for the 2020 awards.

### About the British Safety Council

The British Safety Council believes that *no-one should be injured or made ill at work*.

Since its foundation in 1957, the British Safety Council has campaigned tirelessly to protect workers from accidents, hazards and unsafe conditions, and played a decisive role in the political process that has led to the adoption of landmark health and safety legislation in the UK. Its members in more than 60 countries are committed to protecting and improving the wellbeing of workers, believing that a healthy and safe work environment is also good for business.

As part of its charitable work, the British Safety Council leads health and safety networking forums for all sectors and promotes best practice in Britain and overseas. It also offers a range of services and products, including training, qualifications, audits, awards and publications. The British Safety Council works closely with organisations, charities and individuals who share its vision of ensuring that every worker goes home at the end of the day as healthy as they were when they went to work.

We would be grateful if you could use British Safety Council in full rather than abbreviating to BSC when quoting our organisation.

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