

## National Green Building Design Competition

### Uzbekistan, October 2025

#### Background

International Finance Corporation (IFC), the organizer of the competition, is a member of the World Bank Group. IFC is working with policy makers in Uzbekistan to develop a Green Building (GB) ecosystem. IFC is supporting the policy and regulatory reforms and providing capacity building and awareness raising of green buildings including certification programs. One such program is the IFC Green Building Market Transformation Program, a component of which is Excellence in Design for Greater ELiciencies (EDGE), an online platform, green building standard and certification system designed to reduce the resource-intensity of building material ([www.edgebuildings.com](http://www.edgebuildings.com) ).

The first Uzbekistan Green Building Forum was held in November 2024. It was a highly successful platform for networking and collaboration to encourage the adoption of sustainable building practices. The second Green Building Forum will be held in October 2025. As part of the 2025 Forum, IFC will organize the National Green Building Design Competition. The Organizational Partner of the event is the Association of Young Architects of Uzbekistan.

#### Purpose

The purpose of the competition is to:

- promote sustainable and green architecture practices among students and professionals;
- foster innovation in eco-friendly building design; and
- engage academic institutions and professionals in the national green agenda.

#### Eligibility

The competition is open to both students of architecture and experienced architects to showcase their innovative "Green Building" projects, demonstrating sustainable design principles.

- **Student category** - open to undergraduate architecture students enrolled in Uzbek institutions. Individual and team entries (max. 3 members) allowed.
- **Experienced Architect Category** - open to Post Graduate Architecture students and Working Architects. Individual and team entries (max. 3 members) allowed.

## Criteria

The participants are expected to develop a compelling Green Building project (either a new design or a submission of an existing project) that demonstrates a commitment to sustainability and addresses the unique environmental context of Uzbekistan.

Competition Compliance - ensure the Submission fully adheres to the criteria and requirements outlined in the competition guidelines (refer to [Annex A](#));

Climate-Responsive Design - integrate design strategies that actively respond to and mitigate the specific climate challenges and opportunities presented by the Uzbekistan region;

Innovative Sustainability - showcase innovative and eLective sustainable design solutions, technologies, and practices that go beyond standard green building approaches.

Local Materials & Resources - prioritize the use of locally sourced and readily available building materials and resources to reduce transportation costs, support local economies, and minimize the project's environmental footprint.

## Submission

The application process involves completing a Microsoft Form and uploading your concept files through a link. Participants are welcome to submit multiple entries. Submissions can be made in Uzbek, English or Russian. Please see [Annex A](#) for complete submission requirements. For any queries or clarifications please write to [uzgbforum@ifc.org](mailto:uzgbforum@ifc.org)

## Key dates

- Launch and Call for Entries - July 3, 2025
- Submission Start Date – July 7, 2025 (details to follow)
- Online Q&A sessions with competition participants and organizers' representatives – (the dates will be announced. Full details will be announced on the [Telegram channel](#) and [Instagram page](#))
- Webinar on Green Building Principles (paid, Date TBD)
- Design Submission Deadline - September 10, 2025
- Jury Review Meetings (2 days) - September 17 & 18, 2025
- Results Announcement & Prize Ceremony - October 6, 2025

## Awards

### Student Category

<u>1<sup>st</sup> Prize:</u>	Certificate, Trophy, prizes worth \$USD1500
<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Prize</u>	Certificate, Trophy, prizes worth \$USD 700
<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Prize</u>	Certificate, Trophy, prizes worth \$USD500
Honorable Mentions	Certificate

### Experienced Architect Category

<u>1<sup>st</sup> Prize:</u>	Certificate, Trophy, prizes worth \$USD 2000
<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Prize</u>	Certificate, Trophy, prizes worth \$USD 1,000
<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Prize</u>	Certificate, Trophy, prizes worth \$USD 700
Honorable Mentions	Certificate

Winning projects to be exhibited at the Green Building Forum.

**By registering and submitting work to participate in the competition, the participant agrees to the following terms and conditions of the competition.**

### Terms and Conditions

#### Original Work

By entering into the competition, you confirm the following:

- (a) you are the sole author, creator, and owner of the Submission;
- (b) your Submission does not and will not violate or infringe upon the intellectual property rights, privacy rights, publicity rights, or other legal rights of any third party;
- (c) your Submission does not and will not violate any applicable laws or regulations, including, without limitation, any applicable privacy laws or export control laws and regulations; and (d) all information provided in the entry is true and correct in all respects;

If your Submission includes any third-party works (such as third-party content or open-source code), you must be able to provide, upon IFC's request, all appropriate licenses, ownership assignments and releases for such third-party works. In the event you cannot provide all required licenses, ownership assignments and releases, IFC reserves the right, to disqualify your Submission from the competition.

By entering into the competition, you agree to comply with the IFC's disclosure policies refer to <https://disclosures.ifc.org/access-info-policy>.

#### IP Protection and processing of personal data

Each participant retains title and full ownership in and to his/her submission. By participating in this event you confirm that you have read, understood and agree to the [IFC Event Privacy Notice](#). In addition to the purposes stated in the IFC Event Privacy Notice, IFC may use any personal data you provide, including images and videos featuring you, for conducting this competition, communicating with you regarding the competition, any post-event follow-ups such as surveys or sharing information regarding other similar

events, and for the purposes of advertising this event without compensation to any individual featured in such advertising material.

To learn more about IFC's policies around personal data, please visit [www.ifc.org/privacy/](http://www.ifc.org/privacy/).

## **Submission Guidelines**

### **Design Objective:**

Participants may submit either a pre-existing project or a new project designed specifically for the competition, provided it adheres to all Green Building concept requirements.

Scale is not a primary evaluation criteria. In case of the same sustainability scores, the jury will evaluate design, functionality, and scale to determine the winner.

### **Design Requirements:**

A conceptual building design project incorporating:

- Energy eLiciency
- Use of local and sustainable materials
- Water eLiciency
- Waste reduction
- Indoor environmental quality
- Cultural and climatic relevance Submission must include:
  - Design boards (A1 size, digital PDF format)
  - Project report (max 1000 words)
  - 1-2 bird's eye view renders
  - 3-5 human eye view renders
  - Concept sketches
  - Concept plans and other scaled drawings with sizes and detail information
  - Detailed information and diagrams about the sustainable solutions employed in the design
  - Short video (optional, max 3 minutes)

**Important:** location of the project – can be anywhere in the Republic of Uzbekistan.

The composition of the submission can be changed if the author prefers to develop the concept with other components.

Online submission	Contents (if the quantity is not specified, then without restrictions)	File names
Panel (includes drawings, renders, diagrams etc.)	Panel (JPG, 300 dpi)	Project name_01.jpg
Main view / render	Main view (JPG, 300 dpi)	Project name_image.jpg
Project report	Project report	Project name_notes.doc

### Panels

Size of A1: 841x594 mm, 300 dpi (file size shouldn't exceed more than 30 MB). The arrangement is horizontal.

- Every drawing should have a scale bar

### Judging Criteria

- Innovation & Creativity (20%)
- Environmental Performance & Sustainability (25%)
- Relevance to Uzbek context (20%)
- Design Quality & Functionality (20%)
- Presentation & Clarity (15%)

### Jury Panel

Jury members will be announced later.

### The powers and principles of the competition jury:

- Evaluation of competition proposals;
- Selecting winners;
- Providing recommendations on changing the procedure for distributing the prize fund;
- Disqualification of participants.

### Powers of the organizer

The organizers have the following powers:

- Change the order of distribution of the prize fund on the recommendation of the competition jury;
- Recognize the competition as invalid if **less than six** applications are submitted.