

## European Zinc Diecasting Competition 2010

To be a winner in today's economy, you must meet — and even exceed — expectations.

In a competitive global market, customers take notice of the best.

International Zinc Association (IZA) knows that competition improves the competitor.

In the frame of the Second International Zinc Diecasting Conference 2010, which will take place on **23-24 September 2010, Vienna, Austria**, IZA organizes a Zinc Diecasting Competition.

It recognizes, rewards and publicizes the outstanding casting designs of the year. Each entry will be judged on its design, quality, cost savings, ingenuity and innovation.

Winners will be awarded at the Conference in Vienna and will be asked to present their work, as speaker within the conference program. It will be their opportunity to highlight the main characteristics of the winning casting and explain the reasons and benefits for selecting zinc alloys for the specific part presented.

Participating and winning is one of the best ways to gain visibility with leading decision-makers.

This competition will be organized by the IZA Zinc Diecasting Steering Committee.

The competition is supported by International Zinc Association, Initiative Zink (D), Zinc Fonderie (F), and Assofond (It).

### Competition Official Participation Rules

The competition is open to zinc die castings in the categories shown here under.

All zinc die casting foundries together with their customer/designer are allowed to participate.

All castings submitted for the competition **MUST** have approval in writing from the customer stating their permission to enter their part in the competition.

Judging is conducted by an independent panel of experts from the die casting industry, **with no ties to eligible companies**.

The attached 'participation form' must be mailed as soon as possible to IZA (see annex).

Note that casting(s) will not be returned.

By submitting their castings, the competitors agree to allow IZA to use the presented case for publications and promotional purposes (E-case book, professional literature,..).

### Competition Application Categories

Die casters can participate in one or all of the following application categories for the competition with different parts or the same part:

- Automotive
- Building equipment
- Electric/electronic
- Advanced applications (medical, space, energy (solar, wind,..))



## Conditions of Participation

The submitted die cast parts should be in production and not older than 18 months. Construction plans and detailed drawings will enable the Jury to easier evaluate. Pictures and assembly or sales literature will create better understanding of the zinc part.

Parts submitted must be deburred and free of flash. Surface treated parts should be send as well as as-cast parts.

The result from the Jury is not negotiable and all participants will be notified in writing. The submission of the castings and the participation form count as official participation to the competition.

Sample(s) **MUST** be submitted for entry to be judged. Use additional pages and/or attachments as needed. Photographs (preferably digital), drawings, sales literature and other supporting materials are also important judging aids. Casting(s) cannot be returned and will be the property of IZA.

**THE DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS THURSDAY, JUNE15, 2010.**

## The independent panel of expert members

The Jury members, with **no ties with eligible companies**, will be composed by the Chairman of the IZA Diecasting Steering Committee; their names will be communicated on the website in due time.



## Competition Participation Form

Please return this form

by fax: + 32 (0)2 776 00 92 or email: rsempels@zinc.org

**Casting(s) and additional materials must be shipped to the attention of:**

Mr. R. Sempels  
International Zinc Association  
Avenue de Tervueren, 168/4  
1150 Brussels, Belgium

### ***Application Category of Entry***

The zinc die cast part should participate in (check the appropriate box(s) :

- Automotive
- Building equipment
- Electric/electronic
- Advanced applications: medical, space, energy (solar, wind,..)

For each entry please provide the following information:

- Name of the part
- Weight /dimension/size of the part
- Alloy selected
- Secondary operations needed (if appropriate)
- Function of the part
- Method(s) and material(s) formerly used to produce the part
- Advantages gained by method(s) and /or material including cost savings
- Photo/ drawings /sales literature/ others

### ***Name and Address of Die Caster***

Name and Title

Company

Postal address

Phone /fax

Person(s) nominated for Award

Nominee's e-mail address

### ***Name and Address of Customer/Specifier***

Name and Title

Company

Postal address

Phone /fax

Person(s) nominated for Award

nominee's e-mail address