

# Time to apply for the Swedish Steel Prize 2017

**The Swedish Steel Prize is an international prize that honors the art of engineering and innovation. Now it's time to apply, the very latest on February 1, 2017.**

The Swedish Steel Prize can be won by anyone who has developed a method or product that utilizes the full potential of SSAB's branded offering, including steels optimized for high-strength, wear-resistance, tooling, protection and combinations of these. This may relate, for example, to new technical design features, lighter products, simplified production, longer life, improved performance or beneficial environmental effects. The materials used must be within the range of materials made by SSAB, but need not necessarily be produced by SSAB.

Last time the jury had entries from 28 countries to evaluate. One of the past winners is the Belarusian company Belaz, who built the world's largest dump truck with the help of high-strength steel. And it's not just the big companies and organizations that enter and get nominated. In 2014, the Finnish innovator Timo Penttimies was nominated for designing a new, innovative and cost-effective roller feeder for forest harvesters.

"There are, and will be, many new and even experimental ways of utilizing our premium steels. My hope is to see as many of those products or methods as possible among the applications. We are looking for innovative steel solutions that really push the limits of steel – alone or in a combination with another material or even with a digital twist," says Eva Petursson, chairman of the Swedish Steel Prize jury and head of SSAB's strategic R&D.

The Swedish Steel Prize winner will be announced at the Stockholm Waterfront Congress Centre on May 11, 2017. The winner will receive a statuette by the sculptor Jörg Jeschke and a cash prize of SEK 100,000 that SSAB encourages to be donated to a charity of the winner's choice.

To apply and for more information, please visit [www.steelprize.com](http://www.steelprize.com). You can also take a look at an application video and videos of earlier nominees on Swedish Steel Prize's [YouTube](#) channel and follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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