**PRESS RELEASE ⏺ PRESS RELEASE ⏺ PRESS RELEASE⏺ PRESS RELEASE ⏺ PRESS RELEASE**

**European Association Awards sees 17 organisations crowned as
the “Best of the Best”…**

**European Association Awards |** www.europeanassociationawards.com

23rd February 2018 | Steigenberger Wiltcher’s Hotel, Brussels

Organisers GCN Events are delighted once again to congratulate all the winners of the 2nd annual [European Association Awards](http://europeanassociationawards.com).

The Gold prize-winners of the 17 categories are listed below, and full details of the bronze and silver winners can be found on the website : [www.europeanassociationawards.com](http://www.europeanassociationawards.com)

Best Association Website: **Union for International Cancer Control (UICC)** – www.uicc.org

Best Association Magazine or Publication: **MedTech Europe** – MedTech Week Magazine (vol. 3)

Best Association Networking Event: **European Aluminium** – Driving Mobility to a Low Carbon Future

Best Association Conference (225+ Delegates): **EDANA** – OUTLOOK 2017

Best Association Conference (<225 Delegates): **The Wine and Spirit Trade Association** – WSTA Annual Conference 2017

Best Use of Social Media: **EENA** – Make EU safe

Best Membership Initiative by an Association: **Liechtenstein Bankers Association (LBA)** – Villa Wirbelwind

Best Communications Campaign Secretariat (<10): **spiritsEUROPE** – CETANOW

Best Communications Campaign Secretariat (10+): **AEBIOM** – The European Biomass Association – The European Bioenergy Day

Best Association Training Initiative: **European Association of Communications Agencies** – The EACA International Advertising Summer School

Best Association Partnership or Collaboration: **Influenza Hub** – ZN Consulting, Mylan, Sanofi Pasteur, IFPMA

Best Lobbying or Advocacy Campaign: **European Chemical Industry Council (Cefic)** – Safeguarding the competitiveness of European manufacturing industries

Best Provision of Industry Information **SolarPower Europe** – Global Market and Policy Data

and Intelligence:

Most Innovative Development by an Association: **European Respiratory Society** – Creation of the European Lung Foundation (ELF)

Association Leadership Award: **Euroheat & Power** –  The Euroheat & Power Team

Best National Association: **EEF,** the manufacturers’ organisation

Overall Best European Association: **AmCham EU**

These awards are a celebration of the vital work that European Associations do on behalf of their members to ensure their voices are heard throughout Europe. They were announced at a ceremony attended by 250+ senior association executives representing a diverse cross-section of European industry and markets on 23 February at the **Steigenberger Wiltcher’s** Hotel in Brussels.

Claire Wormsley, Founder and Managing Director of GCN Events said:

*“We were delighted once again to welcome so many European Associations and recognise the example of exceptional quality and excellence all our finalists set. It is important to celebrate these hard-won achievements and shine a spotlight on the incredible impact for change that associations and trade bodies have on their industry and to the benefit of society as a whole.”*

The ceremony was enlivened by the talented Irish comedian **Andrew Maxwell**, provided courtesy of Kruger Cowne [www.krugercowne.com](http://www.krugercowne.com)

. 

 

Further high-resolution images can be downloaded from our **picture gallery** : [https://capturise.pixieset.com/eaa](https://capturise.pixieset.com/eaa/) <tbc>

Next year’s ceremony will once again take place in February in Brussels.

**European Association Awards 2018 Sponsors**

**Steigenberger Wiltcher’s Hotel :** [www.steigenberger.com](http://www.steigenberger.com)

**Hiscox Insurance :** [www.hiscox.co.uk/events](http://www.hiscox.co.uk/events%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)

**Edinburgh International Conference Centre :** [www.eicc.co.uk](http://www.eicc.co.uk/)

**London & Partners :** <http://conventionbureau.london/associations>

**Further information**

Please contact Louisa Rogers louisa@globalconferencenetwork.co.uk or Michelle Coulsey michelle@globalconferencenetwork.co.uk.

**About GCN Events**

GCN Events provides quality information and events for the conference, association and venue sectors. We facilitate dialogue, best practice and strategic thinking through a variety of different forums and formats including awards, summits, education and industry wide projects.

<http://globalconferencenetwork.co.uk/>