The aim of the Standardisation Awards is to support and promote excellence in user-friendly, business-sensitive documents that support the efficiency of railway operations including new IRS and/or the migration from Leaflets to IRSs. The members of the jury, selected from a wide geographical range of railway stakeholders considered the follow aspects as part of their deliberations:

- Development of the process of migration
- The cooperation between forum/platform/department and working groups
✓ The cooperation between international stakeholder companies
✓ The promotion and attraction of leading experts from different countries
✓ Recognition of the work undertaken by the experts & their willing involvement
✓ Importance of standardisation for railway operations

**ARTICLE 2: TARGET**

✓ UIC Forums and Platforms and their Working groups
✓ Working with external partners
✓ Excellence in the evolution of the railway system

**ARTICLE 3: PARTICIPANTS**

✓ UIC members
✓ Forums and Platforms
✓ Working Groups
✓ Stakeholders from partner organisations

The participants should be involved in the development of the IRSs

**ARTICLE 4: CEREMONY**

If the IRS is selected, an official invitation will be sent to the stakeholders responsible for the document to attend the award ceremony. This will be held on 16 March 2021, as part of the International Standardisation Conference.

The winner in each category will be represented by the Leader of the working group. This person will receive an official e-mail in order to attend the ceremony.

The event is open to all members of working groups and consortia who have contributed to the development work, winners or not.
**ARTICLE 5: CATEGORIES**

The 4 following categories have been identified for this first edition of this UIC Standardisation Awards:

The candidate document(s) were able to fit into one of the following categories:

- Proficiently developed
- Standardisation Interfaces
- Innovative and with value-added
- Business-oriented

Only IRSs published between January 2019 and January 2021 are eligible to be candidates.

**ARTICLE 6: CRITERIA**

The Jury will apply the following criteria according to the category in which the candidate IRS has been submitted.

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**Innovative and with value-added**

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**Business-oriented**

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**ARTICLE 7: JUDGING PANEL (JURY)**

The judging panel is composed of:

- Senior members of the UIC team
- Members of the UIC’s Standardisation Platform Core Group.

Each candidate will be considered before the winners are notified. This will take place on or near 26th February.

**ARTICLE 8: SELECTION DEADLINE**

All contributions must have been received no later than mid-day on 15th February 2021.

Any contributions received after this deadline will not be considered.

Contributions should be submitted by completing in full the form in the following link:

https://uic.org/events/uic-excellence-in-standardisation-awards#Call-for-candidates
**ARTICLE 9: NOMINATION AND VOTE**

The vote is based on the criteria mentioned above.

Each criteria completed corresponds to 1 point.

If 2 IRS have the same score, the final selection of the winner will be decided by the jury.

**ARTICLE 10: PRIZES**

Main prizes

➢ Unique trophies especially created for this event

Other symbolic awards:

➢ gift certificates
➢ label badges...

**ARTICLE 11: PUBLICISING THE WINNERS**

Communications articles around the IRSs winners will be planned

➢ E news
➢ Official email to your company
➢ Internet web site

**ARTICLE 12: TIMETABLE**

- January 2021
  
  Launch of the call for entries was made

- From January to 14th February
  
  Contributions can be submitted

- 15th February
  
  Absolute deadline for submitting contributions.
Closing date for registrations for the Conference and Awards Ceremony

- 26th February
  Selection of the IRSs by the jury and winners notified
- 16th March
  Date of the Conference and Awards ceremony. Originally planned as a physical event at UIC HQ, it will, due to the current pandemic, be held entirely by videoconference.

ARTICLE 13: FURTHER INFORMATION

Should you need any further information, please send an email with your question to:

standardisation@uic.org