

## SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

#### SUSTAINABILITY AWARD CORE AREAS

The Sustainability Award methodology involves a self-completion questionnaire consisting of 64 questions, which are categorized into five core areas. The scoring process includes sector-adjusted weighting across the five themes for different sectors and industries.

# BUILDING A NATIONALLY COMPETITIVE WORKFORCE

INNOVATING SOLUTIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

**EMPOWERING LOCAL SUPPLIERS** 

MAKING A COMMITMENT TO GOOD GOVERNANCE AND HIGH QUALITY

RESPONSIBLE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT



# KEY BENEFITS OF SUSTAINABILITY

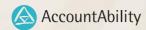
- ✓ Improved reputation and brand loyalty
- ✓ Increased competitive advantage against industry peers
- ✓ Increased productivity and reduced costs
- ✓ Improved risk management and efficiency
- ✓ Attraction of employees and investors
- ✓ Reduced waste
- ✓ Improved social and environmental footprint
- ✓ Mitigation of negative impacts
- ✓ Social and economic development

#### THE SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

The Sustainability Award, led by the King Khalid Foundation and project partner AccountAbility, aims to help businesses strengthen their competitiveness while enhancing their environmental, social and governance performance. The Award focuses on aligning sustainability practices with business imperatives, such as promoting positive growth, improving reputation, and enabling engagement with key stakeholders.

Building on its eleven-year legacy, the 2019 Sustainability Award will boast the largest pool of applicants to date and recognizes the Kingdom's leading businesses in sustainability. The Award has previously attracted many of the Kingdom's high-profile companies, with past winners including Huawei, the Arabian Drilling Company, the Saudi Investment Bank, Binzagr Unilever Limited, the National Commercial Bank (NCB), Cisco and the National Petrochemical Industrial Company (NATPET).

Through participating in the Award, applicants gain a better understanding of which sustainability strategies can enhance investor and stakeholder interest, increase bottom lines and competitive advantages. Applicants are provided with a customized Scorecard Report presenting an overview of their performance, and identifying gaps and opportunities to their business. Furthermore, improve participants become a part of a KSA-wide network of key business leaders within the Kingdom.









Application Deadline

14 April 2019

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Award Gala November <mark>201</mark> Leading Practices Workshop

January 2020

Application Opens

Site Visits

Scorecards to Applicants

**Online Application** 



Site Visits



Winners Recognition



Leading Practices
Workshop

Online application with questionnaire assessed against five core areas, as presented above. Top scoring applicants progress to site visit phase. The Award team visits company facilities.

Winners receive King Khalid Award and are honored by His Majesty King Salman bin Abdulaziz. Applicants receive individualized Scorecards and are invited to LP Workshop, to learn about leading sustainability practices.

# CUSTOMIZED ANALYSIS AND SCORECARDS

All Sustainability Award applicants receive tailored analysis of their sustainability performance, as well as overall recommendations for improvements with supporting industry references.



# LEADING PRACTICES WORKSHOP

Participants have the opportunity to learn emerging and leading practices from peers and sustainability experts, and have the chance to discuss their performance and scorecards during one-on-one sessions.







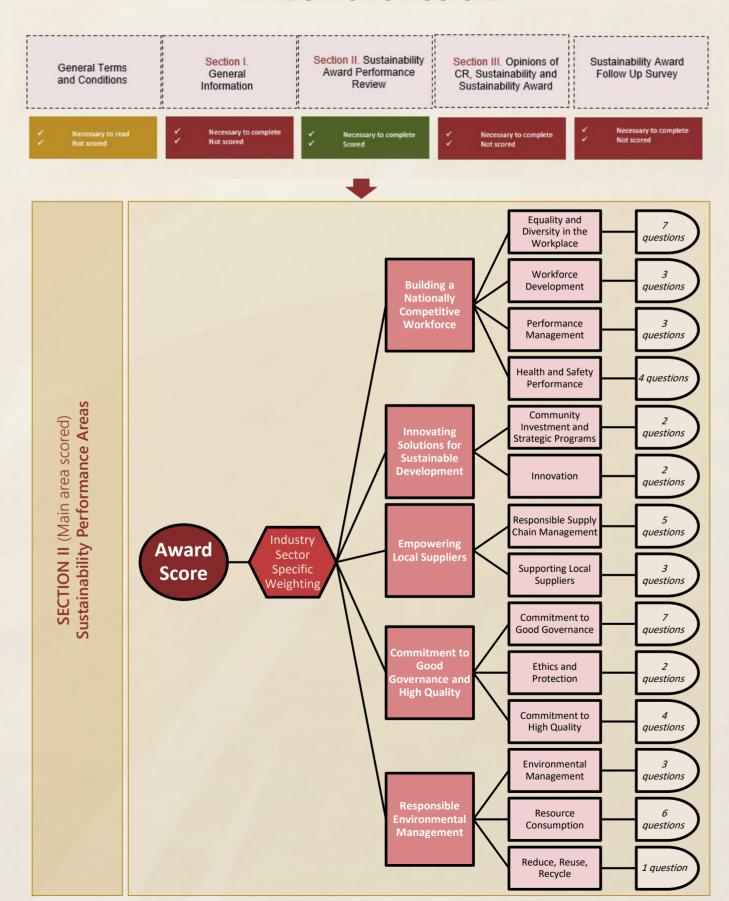








### **APPLICATION STRUCTURE\***







### SUPPORT SERVICES FOR APPLICANTS



#### **APPLICATION SUPPORT**

The King Khalid Foundation and project partner AccountAbility offer one-on-one applicant support, via individual sessions to answer questions and provide guidance in terms of completing the application.

Applicants can inquire for an individual conference call with the AccountAbility analyst team during the application period, from February to April.

# WEBINARS

Join our online webinars, offered during the application period, to learn more about the Award's process and contents, and assessment methodology.

Visit the Award timeline section, available on the Resource Center, for information on the specific dates the webinars are





#### APPLICATION COMPLETENESS REVIEW

The Application Completeness Review check provides applicants with an assessment of how complete their application is, and offers:

- Review of the questionnaire's completeness
- Final check to make sure the application has been properly filled out
- Supporting documentation has been successfully submitted
- Highlight any missing data and supporting documentation

#### **SCORECARD REVIEW SESSION**

We encourage all applicants to get in touch with the Award team to schedule a dedicated session to go through their Scorecard Reports, and discuss the key areas for improvement

Scorecard sessions are offered either the day of the Leading Practices Workshop, or remotely via conference calls.







The 2019 Application will remain open from February 17th to April 14th, 2019, and is accessible through the <a href="KKF website">KKF website</a>

### **KEEP IN TOUCH**



### SUSTAINABILITY AWARD RESOURCE CENTER

Visit our <u>Resource Center</u> for further resources, information on the process & timeline, and online webinars hosted.



#### SUSTAINABILITY AWARD NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to our Sustainability Award <u>Newsletter</u>, to remain up to date with our Sustainability Award news and case studies.



#### **APPLICATION SUPPORT**

Contact us directly for any questions regarding the Sustainability Award or your application.

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