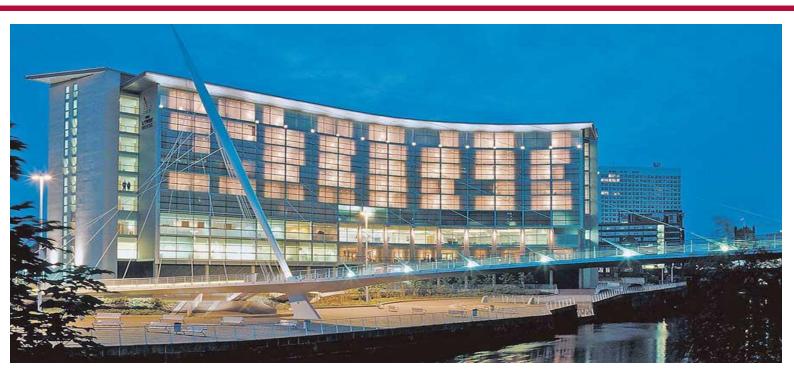


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Raise Your Company's Profile

iED's Annual Conference & Awards is being held at The Lowry Hotel, Manchester on 25th November.

This year's theme is Good Growth: Driving the UK economy with investment in our regions & communities.

Event Partners can benefit from:

- **Direct access to over 200 economic development and regeneration decision makers** from Private and Public sectors across the UK, plus a delegate list a week before the event
- Raising your brand to all iED members via relevant newsletters, websites and online promotion
- Demonstrating knowledge and skill set to delegates
- An extremely valuable networking environment during the Conference and Awards Dinner.

The iED audience encompasses a wide range of practitioners and decision makers who work in: infrastructure, inward investment, regeneration, enterprise promotion, business support, employability, community service, neighbourhood renewal, planning, town centre management, tourism, and other fields of general economic development.

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Event Partner Opportunities

"This year's programme gives delegates the opportunity to listen to, engage with and learn from experts who will share their knowledge and real-life examples in overcoming regional barriers to growth."

Become a Knowledge Partner - Choose from 3 options:

1. SOLD Take part in a 1-hour Panel Discussion in the Main Conference room

As a Main Stage Panellist, showcase your organisation's expertise, and have your brand in the main plenary room all day.

2. SOLD Take part in a 30-minute Keynote Session

Chair and speak in this Main Conference room session: 'From Stranded to Opportunity: Strategic Urban Reconnection'

3. Chair a Breakout Session

Showcase your skills by chairing and facilitating one of the following Breakout Sessions:

- 1A Creative & Culture, Driving Economic Development
 with Claire McColgan CBE, Director of Culture, Liverpool City Council
- 1B SOLD House Based Regeneration Delivery
 with Catherine Holmes, Assistant Director of Market, Partners and Places, Homes England
- **Place Based Economic Development:** How might we work with communities to achieve sustainable social and economic change, *with Jo Blundell, Co-CEO, Place Matters*
- **Delivering Clean Power and Energy Security:** A Scotland that makes the best use of its energy to power the UK and create good jobs, with Sara Thiam, Chief Executive, Prosper
- 3A SOLD Industrial Strategy with Lichfields
- 3B Redesigning money to grow your own economy
 with Jennifer Van Der Merve, Director, & Erika Rushton, Programme Director, Kindred

Options above also include:

- Exhibition Tabletop Stand in refreshments/networking area, including 5 conference tickets
- Networking, and delegate list
- Meet the Speaker profile, with a photo and a Q&A of your representative
- Branding the session room, including the stage & digital signage
- Use of 'iED Knowledge Partner' logo for your own marketing purposes
- Your company's brand/profile on all digital platforms, conference App & communications
- Thanks from the Chair during the opening and closing addresses
- Bring additional delegates at the iED member rate.

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Become an Engagement Partner, where you can:

1. Take part in the Exhibition & brand all Delegate Badges

- Exhibition Tabletop Stand in the refreshment and networking area
- Five complimentary conference tickets
- Your logo on the Lanyards and Badges, worn by all delegates
- Delegate list given to you before the event, and after with contact details
- Your brand will also be promoted:
 - on the front of the digital conference App
 - on the **sponsors' page** of the digital conference App
 - o on the Main Stage
 - o in Breakout Rooms
 - o on digital screens
 - o via the Chair during the opening and closing address
- Bring additional delegates along at the iED member rate.

2. Or, take part in the Exhibition & highlight your brand 3 AVAILABLE

- Exhibition Tabletop Stand in the refreshment and networking area
- Delegate list before the event
- Three complimentary conference tickets (including stand staff)
- Logo on digital screens
- Logo & company bio in the digital conference App.



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Become the Awards Event Partner, where you can:

- Showcase your company's brand as the Leading Partner at the Awards:
 - Your Brand, prominently displayed at the pre-dinner Drinks Reception
 - Host a table of 10 for dinner, in a prominent position
 - Brand the Awards Room via:
 - Your own slideshow or video on-screen during dinner
 - Sponsors' rolling slide show during the reception & dinner
 - Stage screen
 - Menus
 - o Table numbers
 - Waiting staff aprons
 - Supply a branded gift/marketing materials for each place setting
 - Propose a toast
 - The award's host will thank you during the address
 - Raise your profile before the event:
 - Q&A/Blog produced for your company
 - Use of the 'iED Conference & Awards Partner' logo
 - o Full company profile including a web link on the iED website's Awards page & App
 - o Logo within digital promotion and the event booking site
 - o Recognition of your sponsorship in an issue of the iED e-newsletter.

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Become an Award Category Partner:

- Present your chosen award to the winner, on stage
- Two complimentary awards dinner tickets
- Pre-awards Drinks Reception branding
- Showcase your brand with your logo appearing on the:
 - o Stage Screen during the award presentation and rolling presentation
 - Winner's trophy / certificate
 - o Digital Awards App
- Promotion of your company to a wider audience via:
 - Q&A/Blog produced for your company
 - The Conference website, including your profile, web link and contact details
 - The iED Newsletter, where you will be recognised for being an Award Partner
 - All digital marketing, Social Media and the event booking site
 - The iED website, post-event.

Choose your Award:

1. Leader of the Year

Economic development professionals who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and management in their role, and who motivate and inspire their team to achieve success through effective leadership.

2. Team of the Year

Exceptional economic development teams who have gone above and beyond in ensuring the smooth running and effective delivery of economic development functions in their organisations.

3. Rising Star of the Year

Professionals working in economic development with less than 10 years' experience who have demonstrated excellence, commitment, and gone above and beyond in their early career.

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Choose your Award continued:

4. **SOLD** Social Value Initiative of the Year

Projects, teams or Individuals, which have made a significant contribution to social value creation, developing best practice in their field and making positive impacts in their communities.

5. Most Innovative Project of the Year

Innovative economic development projects which have pushed the boundaries beyond traditional approaches and delivered additional beneficial outcomes as a result of the innovation.

6. **SOLD** Collaborative Initiative of the Year

Outstanding cross-sector economic development collaboration between two or more partners drawn from local authorities, private sector, third sector, business and academia.

7. **SOLD** Outstanding Impact

For projects delivered and concluded in the last five years, which demonstrate benchmarked evidence against other similar initiatives. Impacts could include environmental, social, business support (from start-up to growth and scale), rural development and regeneration.



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Event Partner Summary

Suggest a tailored event partner package; combined packages attract a discount.

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Engagement Partner		
Exhibition Partner with Branding Badges & Lanyards	£5,000	Page 3
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Awards Event Partner	£5,000	Page 4
Awards Category Partner		
1. Leader of the Year Award	£1,500	Page 5
2. Team of the Year Award	£1,500	Page 5
3. Rising Star of the Year Award	£1,500	Page 5
4. Social Value Initiative of the Year Award	£1,500	Page 6
5. Most Innovative Project of the Year Award	£1,500	Page 6
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- See last year's winners and sponsors
- Visit the 2025 conference website
- N.B. Prices are exclusive of VAT

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