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## Two weeks remaining until Component Award deadline

### Prize-winning windows to be announced at International Passive House Conference

*Darmstadt, Germany.* With only two weeks left for manufacturers of high quality windows to submit their entries, the deadline for participation in the Component Award is fast approaching. The Award, which has been announced for the first time by the Passive House Institute, will be given for particularly energy-efficient products that are also cost-effective. The winners will be selected at the International Passive House Conference, taking place from 25 - 26 April 2014 in Aachen, Germany.

Four award categories exist for windows adapted to cool, temperate climate zones: wood, wood/aluminium, aluminium, and PVC. Passive House Windows that have been certified by the Passive House Institute and are available for order by the awards ceremony are eligible. Winning components will receive a special certificate, valid through 2015.

A reference building will form the basis of evaluation for the Component Award. In their submissions, possible through 1 March 2014, participants are to quote retail prices for their products, including installation, for the reference building.

This Award has been inspired by the enormous progress that has been made in recent years by many manufacturers in optimising their products with a view to energy efficiency. The aim is to acknowledge these developments before a wider public and provide stimulus for even further improvements.

After the awards ceremony at the International Passive House Conference, all participants will be featured in a Passive House Institute publication on the competition. Manufacturers certifying their products in order to participate will receive discounts on certification costs. Further details about the competition can be found online at: [www.passivehouse.com](http://www.passivehouse.com)

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