

# ECCAR Award

## Celebrating Local Efforts against Racism on a European Level

### What is the ECCAR Award?

ECCAR strives to transform cities into safe and inclusive spaces for all citizens by implementing the 10 Points Action Plan, which provides a framework for cities to integrate anti-racism strategies into their actions and programmes. In its 20th anniversary year, ECCAR would like to highlight the specific measures taken by its member municipalities with the ECCAR Award. The ECCAR award presents a new opportunity to celebrate your municipality's exemplary efforts and spotlight a specific action toward building inclusive and anti-racist cities.

### Why should my city apply?

- To spotlight an exemplary local action in combating racism in your city.
- To inspire other cities to build inclusive and anti-racist communities across Europe.
- To gain international visibility and recognition by ECCAR and its Scientific Advisory Board, including UNESCO.
- To increase the visibility of your city's ECCAR membership by co-organising an award ceremony at your municipality with an ECCAR representative.
- To receive a physical award that will be a permanent symbol within your city for your exemplary local action.
- To obtain 2500 Euros to fund an activity in your city, e.g., training, team building day, event, etc.

### Selection Process

The 2 winning cities will be selected in 3 phases. In the first round, the Scientific Advisory Council (SAC) will preselect candidates based on the criteria for good practices of the ECCAR Online City Reporting. In the next step, the ECCAR Board and the ECCAR Office will choose three finalists per category. The finalists will present their submitted actions on-site on the final day of the ECCAR General Conference in Heidelberg, Germany (September 23-25, 2024). The presentations are followed by a vote for one winning city per category by the members of the ECCAR General Assembly on-site. **See below for instructions for the application.**

### How can my city apply?

The ECCAR Office will facilitate online applications aligned with Level 2 ECCAR Online City Reporting standards through the survey tool QuestionPro. You can submit a specific local measure for the award application in the application form. It is important that the measures are not one-off events. The application form will be available in English, German, and French. If you can not apply in one of these languages, please get in touch with the ECCAR Office. See the PDF Versions of the questions for the application below.

If you want to hand in a measure you already reported in this year's Reporting Round, you can directly copy-paste your answers from your report to the survey tool QuestionPro or send us your report as a PDF. If you have problems using the survey tool QuestionPro, please reach out to the ECCAR Office to find a solution.

Your city can apply in one of two categories:

- 1) cities with <50,000 inhabitants
- 2) cities with > 50,000 inhabitants.

The application period starts on 13 June 2024, and the non-negotiable submission deadline is 16 August 2024.

### **Timeline ECCAR Award 2024:**

- **13 June - 16 August:**
  - Submit your local action for the award through [this link](#)
  - Please note that if your city is successful in the first round, a representative should travel to the General Conference in Heidelberg on 23-25 September to present your local action before the final voting.
  - If you have already submitted your Level 2 reporting in 2024 and want to use one of the measures you handed in there to apply for the report, please download your report as PDF, inform the ECCAR office which measure you want to hand and send it to [office@eccar.info](mailto:office@eccar.info).
- **19 August - 29 August:**
  - Please wait for updates. The SAC, the ECCAR Board, and the ECCAR Office will conduct a preselection of 6 candidate cities (3 per category) in the first round.
- **2 August:**
  - The ECCAR Office will email you to let you know whether your city has been selected as a finalist to present your submitted action at the ECCAR General Conference in Heidelberg.
- **25 September:**
  - The six finalists will present their local actions at the GC. The ECCAR General Assembly members present at the GC will vote for one winning city per category will vote for one winning city per category. An award ceremony will follow the voting.

**Please note that starting in 2025**, cities automatically apply for the ECCAR Award by submitting their reports through the ECCAR reporting tool at Level 2. This level involves detailed reporting on local actions, serving as the basis for Award consideration. The application process closes when the yearly reporting period is over. During the annual General Assembly, the preselected candidates will again present their local actions, and the ECCAR member cities will vote for the winning city. More information on the process will follow at the beginning of the reporting round in 2025.

If you have questions about the process or technical difficulties with the application process, please contact the ECCAR Office at [office@eccar.info](mailto:office@eccar.info).