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Countdown is on for LivCom 2012 Awards

Communities large and small around the globe have just 31 days to submit an application to be considered for recognition by the International Awards for Liveable Communities (LivCom).

The closing date for entry to the awards, now in their 16th year, is 31 May.

Entries have already come in from around the world as communities battle it out to receive the accolade of being one of the best places to live on the planet.

Entries will be judged over the summer prior to the announcement of the finalists who will go forward to the finals in Al Ain, United Arab Emirates (22nd-26th November).

Awards are made in several categories according to population size with cities judged against six LivCom Judging Criteria;

- Enhancement of the natural and built landscapes
- Arts, culture and heritage
- Environmental best practices
- Community participation and empowerment

- Healthy lifestyle
- Strategic planning

Preparing the initial entry document has been described as a free, comprehensive self-audit, highlighting not only what a community does well, but also where it needs improvement. LivCom has also been described as 'the most rewarding professional experience of my career'.

