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## **Eurotunnel wins BCI Best of the Best Award**

Eurotunnel has been awarded the prestigious British Construction Industry Award in the Best of the Best Major Projects category.

At the annual awards ceremony held last night at the Grosvenor House Hotel in London, Eurotunnel was chosen for the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Special Award as the Best Civil Engineering Project over the 20 year period. The award was presented to Groupe Eurotunnel COO, Jean-Pierre Trotignon, by The Rt Hon Margaret Hodge MBE, Minister for Culture, Creative Industries and Tourism.

The BCIA Awards, judged by a panel of industry experts, are made after considering many aspects from procurement, performance against prediction, quality of design and construction, safety, innovation, sustainability, usability and benefit to the community. In addition the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary award took into consideration legacy, influence and benefit to the community at large.

Eurotunnel was selected for the award from a shortlist comprising the Cardiff Bay Barrage (2000), the Second Severn Crossing (1996), the Channel Tunnel Rail Link (2002-2006) and the Channel Tunnel (1994).

Overall, more than 180 entries were judged for the 2007 BCI Awards.

Receiving the award on behalf of Eurotunnel, Jean Pierre Trotignon, Groupe Eurotunnel COO, said, "I am delighted that Eurotunnel has been recognised by such a prestigious organization. The Channel Tunnel has become a vital part of European transport infrastructure; the foresight needed to build such a wonderful system is being rewarded by the clear popularity and success it has achieved with both passengers and freight hauliers travelling across the Channel".

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