

## 2004

### Overall Winner & Building Category Award | Irish Management Institute, Conference Facility



The original building won the 1974-76 Tri-ennial Gold Medal, RIAI and the then jury stated in their citation: “the parts that figure as ground are of in-situ concrete to invite lichen, weather stains and a general earthiness. While the parts, which figure as building, are of pre-cast concrete, cast in storey and double-storey height frames and panels. Made with white aggregate they present a standard of finish, which must be accounted superb.

What has delighted our jury now is the faithfulness of authorship, which has endured and has extended the complex beautifully. That steadfast continuum, updated and modernised, is demonstrative of the architect’s integrity and his responsibility not only to the user and the community, but ultimately to posterity.

Project Details:	Client:	Irish Management Institute
	Engineer:	O’Connor Sutton Cronin
	Architect:	Arthur Gibney & Partners
	Contractor:	Duggan Brothers
	Major Supplier:	Techrete

### Infrastructural Category Award | N11 Newtownmountkennedy to Ballynabarny Bridges



The new N11 Newtownmountkennedy to Ballynabarny Bridges motorway won the Infrastructural category. It was extremely heartening to our Jury to see so many submissions in this category value the aesthetic quality of infrastructural development among the other considerations, given the impact that can result on the built or natural environments.

It is in fact, because of recognition of the magnitude of impact in the landscape and the design efforts employed to both ameliorate and harmonise the effects, that our Jury has in this instance decided to grant the family of N11 Newtownmountkennedy to Ballynabarny Bridges the winner in this category

Project Details:	Client:	Wicklow County Council
	Architect:	Murray O’Laoire Architects
	Engineer:	Arup Consulting Engineers
	Contractor:	Morris Sisk Consortium
	Major Supplier:	Roadstone Ltd.

## Elemental Category Winner | Irish Cement Office, Platin, Drogheda



The new Irish Cement office in Drogheda won the Elemental category. “In expressing the functional and decorative potential of concrete, the authors of the selected winner in this category have interpreted both spatial and sculptural form, and exploited the material’s visual qualities.

The exposed beauty of the aggregates are simply and elegantly revealed, and the whole ensemble which is effectively a screen wall, is set against a backdrop of an exemplary board-marked concrete façade. The standard to be followed by the Industry has been set by this submission.”

### Project Details:

Client:	Irish Cement Ltd.
Architect:	A & D Wejchert & Partners
Engineer:	Arup Consulting Engineers
Contractor:	Farrans (Construction) Ltd.
Major Supplier:	Roadstone Ltd.

## Sean de Courcy Award | ‘Mechanical behaviour of circular steel-concrete composite stub-columns’ - David Fitzpatrick of Dublin Institute of Technology

Another important aspect of the Irish Concrete Society Awards is the student award given to undergraduates for their final year projects in concrete. The Council of the Irish Concrete Society decided to rename this award the “Sean de Courcy Student Award”. Professor Sean de Courcy devoted a large part of his life to teaching concrete technology at UCD and was a founder member and honorary life member of the Irish Concrete Society.

The Society was delighted to have his wife Sheila in attendance to present the Award in his memory. The Award was presented to David Fitzpatrick of Dublin Institute of Technology for his research project ‘Mechanical behaviour of circular steel-concrete composite stub-columns’.