

CONNECT VISIONS *to* SOLUTIONS
STARTUP AWARD
2019

RULES OF THE CONTEST

I. ORGANIZER OF THE CONTEST

Czech-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce located in Prague, Czech Republic.

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II. PARTNERS OF THE CONTEST

Who is looking for your innovations?

Three partner companies, one partner city:

BOSCH Czech Republic, Siemens Czech Republic, ŠKODA AUTO, city of Prague

Each partner has nominated a judge who will be member of the jury deciding about the winner.

III. DATE AND PLACE OF THE CONTEST

The contest will be held from August 1st, 2018 to November 27th, 2018 in the Czech Republic.



IV. CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST

What is your challenge and business opportunity?

Each partner is looking for innovative ideas, products, services, business models in the field of **artificial intelligence** and is ready to implement it into its business. [Check the visions and key topics of each partner](#) and propose innovative solutions for them! You can deliver **three different solutions at maximum**.

Who can apply?

Startups and students from all over the world (startups established later than 2014).

How to apply?

1. Fill in the [online form](#) to register. In this step you will tell us, which of the partners you prefer to share your solution with.
2. We will confirm your registration soon. *(Please notice, there is no legal claim for participation.)*
3. Pitch your solution/s in a short **video presentation or a slideshow (or both!) in English**, which shows your concrete solution/s. The video should **not be longer than 1 minute**, the slideshow should have **max. 10 slides**.

Assurance to you: Don't worry about sharing your information with us. Both the organizer and the partner companies have already signed a nondisclosure agreement (NDA) which is legally binding and keeps your ideas safe. Neither the organizer nor the partner companies are allowed to use your ideas without your permission or to forward them to third parties. Get in touch with us via startups@dtihk.cz, if you want to see the NDAs or need a trilateral NDA including you.

4. Send your video or/and your slideshow to startups@dtihk.cz via WeTransfer or other upload services.

DEADLINE: 31ST AUGUST 2019

How we will match you with the partners?

1. We will forward your solution to the company you prefer and to further relevant partners. This is your chance to get into business!
2. Each partner will choose the most promising startup - 4 finalists.
3. Out of these startups the jury will choose the overall winner at the Winners' Night (connected with the AI Forum) on 24th October 2019 in Prague.

Required presence

With the application for the contest each startup confirms its presence at the Winners' Night on 24th October in Prague, if it will get into the final. Eventual travel and accommodation costs cannot be reimbursed by the organizer.

V. JURY, WINNERS, PRIZES

Who will decide on the winner?

The jury consists of representatives of all partners and the organizer.

How is the winner chosen?

- The organizer will forward the received applications to the judges from the partner companies.
- Each partner nominates its most promising startup. The result of these nominations will be 4 finalists.
(Please notice, there is no legal obligation for the partner companies to nominate a winner, if there is no relevant solution.)
- The finalists will be informed at the end of September 2019.
- All 4 finalists will pitch its solution in front of the whole jury and the audience at the Winners' Night on 24th October.
- Directly after the pitches the whole jury will elect the overall winner out of the 4 finalists. That means the whole jury will decide on the overall winner. The following criteria will be important for this decision: innovativeness, team, relevance, customer benefit, maturity, market potential.
- In addition, the whole present audience will vote about its favorite solution as well.

What's your benefit?

- First of all: You will get an opportunity to make concrete business, it doesn't matter if you win or not.
- The overall winner will receive 4.000 EUR sponsored by the organizer of the competition – the Czech-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce - and one year free membership in the chamber.

VI. PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

1. With the registration to the contest, the participant in the contest gives the organizer and the partners of the competition in accordance with the Act No. 101/2000 Sb., as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "**Act on Protection of Personal Data**"), the consent to process his/her personal data including his/her birth name, surname and e-mail address, in order to verify a valid participation in the contest, handover of the prize and for other business and marketing purposes of organizer, as well as for sending business communication within the Act. No. 480/2004 Sb., as amended, via electronic media for an unlimited period of time, or until the withdrawal of the consent.
2. The providing of personal data is voluntarily. The participant in the contest has the right to withdraw his/her consent in written form addressed to the registered office of the organizer. The participant in the contest has the rights within § 11 a § 21 of the Act on Protection of Personal Data, namely the right to access data concerning him/her and the right to correct, block or to demand the disposal of the data. The withdrawal of consent is effective from the date when the notice of the withdrawal of consent will be delivered to the organizer.
3. With the participation in the contest the participant gives his/her consent to the rules of the contest and is bound to comply with them without any reservation.
4. Every person currently employed by the organizer or the partner of the competition is excluded from the contest.
5. Persons who do not meet the conditions of the contest or who act contrary to the rules of the contest will be excluded from the participation in the contest.
6. The participant in the contest will be excluded in case that the organizer finds out or has a reasonable suspicion that the participant or any other person who helps the participant in contest to win commits fraud or unfair practices.
7. The organizer hereby reserves the right to exclude the participants in competition with such projects which do not comply with the philosophy of the competition.
8. The organizer of the competition is not responsible for any technical issues related to the contest.

VII. FINAL PROVISION

1. The organizer reserves the right to decide definitively every matter related to the contest. The organizer has also the right to change, shorten, extend or abolish the rules of the contest. In case that the rules of the contest will be changed, such change shall be made in writing and will be published on the website of the organizer of the contest.
2. The organizer reserves the right of exchange of the prize for another which constitutes an adequate compensation.
3. There is no legal entitlement to participate in the contest or to obtain the prizes.
4. The organizer of the contest is not liable for any damage which participant suffered from his/her participation in the contest or through the obtaining of the prize.
5. The organizer reserves the right to decide every question arising out of the contest on him own discretion without giving any rationale. The organizer states that he does not have any other obligations to the participants in contest. The participants are not entitled for any performance from the organizer only for those stated in these rules of the contest.
6. In matters which are not governed by these rules the legal relationships associated with this contest are governed by the legislation of the Czech Republic.
7. The participants undertake to act according to these provisions, in compliance with the legitimate interest of the organizers and partners, principles of morality and legislation of the Czech Republic.
8. Any act or even a suspicion of conduct contrary to the aforementioned may be a reason for exclusion.
9. The court of territorial jurisdiction for any court proceedings instigated in connection with these rules, including any disputes over the force hereof, is the court with territorial jurisdiction over the registered office of the organizer. The subject-matter jurisdiction of the court is established by the regulations in force.