World Bank Group Youth Summit 2015 Competition
Rules and Regulations

About the World Bank Group Youth Summit 2015 Business Competition

The World Bank Group Youth Summit 2015 competition invites the brightest young minds from around the world to use their knowledge and creativity to crowdsourc solutions for climate change that contribute to growth and development in developing and emerging countries.

Over the years, motivated young professionals from around the world have proven that they can create innovative solutions to help solve the world’s complex challenges. Therefore, the goal of this competition is to motivate youth to work and design the most promising and dynamic proposals to mainstream climate change while achieving development objectives. In addition, the competition aims to inspire a global dialogue on innovative ways to address the reality of climate change.

RULES FOR THE YOUTH SUMMIT 2015 COMPETITION

These Rules ("Rules") for the Youth Summit 2015 competition are part of the Terms and Conditions of Use & Privacy Policy (the "Terms and Conditions of Use") that govern the websites where information about the Youth Summit 2015 is located. The competition is administered by the Youth Summit Organizing Committee (YSOC) (defined herein variously as YSOC or the World Bank).

Entry Procedure

Participants shall submit proposals that answer the following challenge: “Innovative ideas on how to mainstream climate change and achieve development needs in a specific WBG client country.” Participants must submit proposals that provide business or policy level ideas or a combination of both.

The competition is open to individuals or teams of 2-5 people aged 18 to 35. Participant’s ages will be determined as of 11:59 pm EST on November 17, 2015

There is a maximum limit of five members for any team. Each team member must be of the age appropriate to the team’s age group, 18 to 35 years old, on November 17, 2015. However, due to visa requirements team captains are required to be 18 or older on October 3, 2015. Teams and individuals are limited to one entry each.

Youth Summit 2015 competition participants will be asked to certify their age when entering, and the World Bank reserves the right to verify the age of any participant, including potential winners.

The competition is open to nationals of ALL countries of the world. Entries are encouraged from eligible individuals with the drive to innovate regardless of their occupation (working professionals, students, NGO leaders, government officials, start-up creators, technical experts or any other). World Bank Group employees and their families are also allowed to participate.

Youth Summit 2015 competition proposals must be created by and owned by the participants.
Youth Summit 2015 competition proposals must be between 2,000-3,000 words in length. Entries shorter than 2,000 words or longer than 3,000 words will not be accepted. The proposals must be submitted in English. Financial plans or implementation costs detailed in tables can be submitted as images. No other text should be submitted as an image.

Participants shall submit proposals through the Youth Summit email account youthsummit@worldbank.org.

The email should include the Youth Summit Title sheet filled out together with a 200 word introduction of each of the members of the team. This data will only be used for statistical purposes. If your proposal is preselected it may be used when the proposal is posted on the Youth Summit 2015.

**Deadline**

The deadline for entries for the Youth Summit 2015 competition is **11:59 pm EST, October 3, 2015**. An entry is timely, and will be accepted, only if actually received before this time. The time of transmittal will not be taken into account.

**Selection**

In addition to the judging process described below, attendees at the Youth Summit 2015 at the IFC auditorium in Washington DC can vote on the finalists who present their proposals, determining a People's Choice Winner. The one entry having received the most votes by 15:00 pm EST, November 17, 2015 will be deemed the winner of the People's Choice award. The number of popular votes for each entry will be shown on the voting site at all times.

Prizes may include cash and/or in kind services. Prizes will be given to a two winners: a winner selected by a Judging Panel as well as a winner selected by the attendees of the Summit (People’s Choice winner). If the latter is the same as the former, the People’s Choice winner will be the second proposal that gathered more votes from the attendees.

The Judging Panel will be composed of World Bank Group, public sector, private sector, and/or NGO sector professionals working in the field of business, development, climate change and/or the environment.

**Warranties**

By submitting an Entry, Participants certify they own or have obtained the necessary permission for any images, charts, statistics, or other material used and submitted to the World Bank Group in the context of preparing the proposal. Any violation may result in disqualification of the Entry.

**Judging Criteria, Screening and Judging Process, Judging Panel**

**A. Judging Criteria**

The judging of the documentary entries will be based on the following equally weighted criteria:
1) Content: clearness and effectiveness of presenting the problem, context, and explanation of the solution. Explanation of the solution should include:
   a. Relevance and details of the innovative solution
   b. Detailed implementation strategy in the case of the policy solution or marketing and adoption strategy for the new product or service in the case of a business solution
   c. Potential challenges for implementation/adoption
   d. Financial projections for the costs of the solution and tentative identification of funding to cover them
   e. Expected outcome in terms of societal, and/or environmental savings/gains.

2) Formatting: well organized, easy to read layout with appropriate font size, margins and spacing

3) Innovation, originality, and impact: presenting a solution to climate change in a fresh and unusual way, appealing to a broad and diverse audience, and encouraging further thought, action and community or national inspiration.

In the event of a tie, a winner will be selected based on the criteria described in (1), then (2), and finally (3). If there is still a tie, then a winner will be selected based on a new vote by the Judging Panel.

B. Screening and Judging Process

1. Submissions will initially be screened by the Youth Summit Organizing Committee (“YSOC”). YSOC will verify that the Contestant and the Entry meets the Eligibility criteria in the "Entry Procedure" and is consistent with the "Competition Rules and Regulations."

2. All Submissions which pass the YSOC screening will be shortlisted by an Expert Committee (“Expert Committee”) of World Bank Group, public sector, private sector, and/or NGO sector professionals working in the field of business, development, climate change and/or the environment. The Expert Committee will base its decisions on the judging criteria to determine which Submissions will be shortlisted for presentations during the Youth Summit.

3. Shortlisted proposals may be posted on the Youth Summit 2015 event page and/or Collaboration for Development page as soon as the Expert Committee makes final decisions, and may remain posted until November 17, 2015

4. Shortlisted proposals will pass to the Judging Panel, who will judge based on the criteria in Section A plus the presentation of each team live during the Youth Summit to determine which proposals are awarded prizes and recognition.

DECISIONS OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE AND JUDGING PANEL ARE FINAL AND NOT SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS, CHALLENGE, OR APPEAL.

C. Judging Panel

The composition of the Judging Panel will be determined by the World Bank Group and the Youth Summit Organizing Committee. The World Bank reserves the right to substitute or modify members of the Judging Panel at any time for any reason.
Awards

The Judging Panel will select one entry based on the judging criteria of Section A. In the event of a tie, the winner will be selected based on the entry with a higher score on the individual criteria described above in Section A comparing scores on criteria (1), then (2), and finally (3). If there is still a tie, then the winner will be selected based on a new vote by the Judging Panel.

Winners will receive cash prizes and/or in-kind services. Details will be announced at a later stage.

The World Bank Group is neither accountable nor responsible for any of the prizes awarded. Winners are responsible for all applicable taxes and fees associated with prize receipt and/or use. No transfer or substitution of a prize is permitted.

In addition to the prizes, the Youth Summit Organizing Committee will make all efforts to provide exposure for the winning Teams at high-profile events, including, for example, webinars, workshops, and other high profile events of the World Bank’s development partners globally.

As Youth Summit 2015 winners, the winning teams will receive special recognition at all relevant Youth Summit events, and be prominently featured and promoted on the Youth Summit’s social media platforms.

Competition Terms

By submitting an Entry, every individual and team member agrees to the following:

- The competition is open to nationals of ALL countries of the world. Participants submitting entries to the competition must between the ages of 18-35, inclusive, as of 11.59 pm on November 17, 2015 (except for Team Captains that are required to be 18 or older by October 3, 2015). Individuals and team members are responsible for ensuring their submission is in compliance with the legal requirements of their country.
- Content from sources other than the team members must be clearly marked throughout the submission and properly cited.
- The decision of the committee, judges and panels, as to eligibility, winning Proposals and non-winning Proposals is final and is not subject to any appeal.

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