

# **EU PRIZE** for

# **WOMEN INNOVATORS**

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# **APPLICATION GUIDE**

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#### **GETTING STARTED**

This guide will navigate you through the easy steps for application submission. Applications have to be submitted by the contestant directly via the web-based submission forms. You (the contestant) can apply following 6 easy steps via our electronic submission system on the <u>Participant Portal</u>. You can access the Portal by clicking 'Apply now' on the <u>official</u> contest page.

Applications reaching us by any other means are regarded as 'not submitted' and will not be evaluated.

The complete application has three parts:

- Part A collects information about you and your company via a downloadable and editable PDF-form.
- **Part B** is a downloadable template in rtf-format for your application.
- Annexes Mandatory documents to be uploaded.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

#### **Step 1 - Identify yourself**

You will have the option to:

- >login < if you have used the Participant Portal before you may already have an EU Login account (o former ECAS account).</li>
- or >register< follow the instructions to create a new ECAS user ID. More help on how to create an EU Login account here.

#### **Step 2 - Funding Scheme**

This is a generic step, simply click **>next<** to continue.



#### Step 3 - Creating a draft proposal

#### Your organisation:

Please fill in your Participant Identification Code (PIC), which is used to identify your company. If you have used the Participant Portal you should already have a PIC. More information on PIC numbers here.

#### Your role:

Please select 'main contact'.

#### Your proposal:

In the acronym box please put your own name.

In the **Short Summary box**, we ask to provide a small abstract of your pitch - why you should be the winner. **You may record a short video message (max. 90 seconds)** – if you do, please insert the link in this space.

Click **>next<** to accept 'The terms and condition of usage'. After carefully reading through and accepting them, your draft application will be created and you will receive an automatic e-mail.

You can return to the application to continue working (before the deadline):

<u>My Proposal Menu</u>

#### **Step 4 - Parties**

You are the main contact for this contest. However you can add here another contact if needed. If this is not needed, simply click **>next<** to continue.

#### **Step 5 - Edit Proposal**

In this step you can:

- Part A: fill in, edit, view and print the administrative forms;
- Part B: download the PART B template and prepare your application. Upload your
   Part B and
- Annexes: please upload the mandatory annexes in support of your application



#### **PART A - Administrative Forms**

Clicking **>edit forms<** opens Part A. You can modify this at any time up to the deadline.

You can validate your application at any step. When clicking **>validate form<** at the top of any page, a list of discovered problems (such as missing data) is given on the last page.

#### **PART B - Your application**

Please download the PART B template and complete it.

Please follow the structure of this template when preparing your application. It has been designed to ensure that the important aspects of your work are presented in a way that will enable the experts to make an effective assessment against the evaluation criteria.

#### Annexes - Mandatory documents to be uploaded

Please upload the required documents in support of your application:

- Copy of your national ID/passport.
- Proof that you are a (co-)founder of an active company including the date of foundation of the company e.g. a copy of an official form from the national business register with your name listed as (co)-founder.
- Proof that the annual turnover of the company is at least EUR 100,000 in 2015 or 2016 (EUR 50,000 for the category Rising Innovator) e.g. balance sheet.
- Proof that you or the company you founded/co-founded have received or is receiving European or national **funding for Research and Innovation** or bank funding or alternative sources of financing such as private equity, venture capital, crowd funding through platforms or business angels e.g. an official document showing that either you or your company have received public funding or alternative sources of financial support.
- Copy of your CV.

Once you complete (and validate) Part A and upload documents (Part B and mandatory annexes), click >**submit**<.

Please note that the application submission will be blocked until all mandatory information is filled in



#### **Step 6 - Application Status page**

Reaching this step means that the application is submitted. Your submission will be evaluated and you will receive feedback in the first quarter of 2018.

Here you can:

- **Download the application**. It is advised to download the application to check that it has been correctly sent. The PDF is digitally signed and time stamped.
- **Re-edit the application**, going back to step 5. After re-editing the application (any data in the forms or a modified attachment), modifications have to be resubmitted. You may continue to modify the application and submit revised versions overwriting the previous one right up until the deadline.
- **Withdraw the application**. If the application is withdrawn, it will not be considered for evaluation. A reason for the withdrawal will be requested. (Note: Your application draft is not yet deleted from the server. This withdrawal action can be reversed, but only before the deadline, by simply re-submitting it).

The same information and actions can also be found here: My Proposal menu

