

Terms & Conditions

1. Premises

- This Regulation includes the rules that regulate the competition, as defined below, from the registration of the submission to the website of IDOARCH, to the definition and announcement of the Winners and subsequent adjudication of the Prizes to the Winners.
- When registering to the website of IDOARCH, each user declares to fully knowledge and accept the rules of the competition.
- This regulation applies the following definition:“Organizer” which is IDOARCH, with its headquarters in Hamburg, Germany.

2. General rules

- Participants are required to respect the deadlines and regulations of calendars, registration and rules.
- Participants must follow all instructions regarding the necessary materials.
- Participants may participate individually or as part of a team.
- Participants can be students, graduates, freelancers, architects, designers and enthusiasts.
- There is a maximum limit of four team members.
- Teams can include members from different countries, cities, or universities.
- Participants can submit one project per competition, either during the free registration period or during the paid registration period. Additional projects can be submitted by paying an additional fee, as determined by the competition’s calendar.
- The prizes, inclusive of banking fees and taxes, remain constant regardless of the Team’s member count.
- The projects’ eligibility will be assessed by a technical team designated by the competition organizer. However, even if a project passes the technical team’s check, it doesn’t mean it will automatically win the competition. The jury makes its own decision based on evaluation criteria that will be mentioned in the competition’s brief.
- The decision of the jury is final and cannot be contested.
- In case the jurors are unable to select the winners due to time constraints or other unforeseen circumstances, the organizer reserves the right to make the final selection. The organizer’s decision shall be final and binding.
- It is forbidden for participants to contact jurors for matters related to the competition.
- It is forbidden for participants to join the competition in case they have business collaboration or blood-relations with jurors of the competition.
- Once a participant has completed their registration for the competition, the registration fee is strictly non-refundable under any circumstances.
- By violating of the participation rules will result in the disqualification of the participant and their team from the competition, with no refund of the registration fee, which will be retained by the Organizer.
- The authorship of each project is equally attributed to each member of the Team.
- By registering and participating in the competition, participants fully accept all the rules, terms and conditions of the competition. Any exception will be excluded.
- The organizer has the right to modify competition details, ensuring participants are notified within a reasonable timeframe through all media channels.
- The organizer holds no responsibility for web malfunctions, technical glitches, or material transmission issues. It’s strongly advised to finish registration and uploads well before the set deadlines.
- Participants are advised to inform the organizer via email if they encounter technical difficulties. Relevant competition materials can be found in the download section of the competition.

3. Ineligibility

- Any Participant - together with his or her Team - can be excluded from the competition when:
 1. The submitted material is not in the English language.
 2. The materials showing names or references to the designers. The team name is considered a reference to the designers. Therefore, it can only appear in the file name, since jurors will not see it.
 3. The materials that are not submitted according to deadlines or procedures of the competition.
 4. Team members attempting to communicate with a juror regarding competition-related issues. e.g. Participants have professional or familial connections with one or more members of the competition's jury.
 5. Participants are not the owner or authors of the submitted project or parts of such project.
- On any circumstances of exclusion that involve elements of interpretation, the decision of the jury, expressed by the majority, shall prevail.

4. Notes concerning the materials

- By participating in this competition and agreeing to the Rules, Participants hereby acknowledge granting the organizer a non-exclusive right to:
 1. Publish and distributing the materials or part of the materials in any way or form and with any means of communication and/or support, including online platforms, social media channels and printed publications.
- By taking part in this competition and accepting the rules, the participants awarded with a prize money or in the shortlist undertake, from now on, they may be asked to provide any further digital materials (e.g 3D models) regarding the project to help the organizer better report the results of the competition.
- The materials must be new and original and the outcome of the intellectual activity of participants: works and/or materials that do not comply with these features must not be submitted. Therefore, participants agree to indemnify and hold the organizer harmless from any cost or damage connected with the infringement of any third-party intellectual property right.
- By taking part in this competition and accepting the rules, Participants declare to be authors (and/or co-author in the event the team is made of more members) of the up-loaded materials.
- It is not allowed to submit projects that result as a mere product of algorithms or artificial intelligences. However it can be used as tools of inspiration, but the submitted proposals must correspond to a tangible design exercise (plans, sections, elevations, axonometries).
- The participants of the competition guarantees that the submitted materials do not infringe, in any way, the industrial and intellectual property right of third parties and commit to hold the organizer harmless from any connected request that might arise from third parties.

5. Privacy and treatment of personal data

- The processing of participants' personal will be carried out by the organizer for the sole purpose of the participation in the competition and distribution of the prizes in compliance with the applicable regulation e.g. art.13 UR Reg. 2016/679. We invite all competitors to read it carefully.
- Participants will be held accountable for the data - including personal data - they provide. The organizer does not assume any responsibility for wrong data provided.
- In any case, according to privacy policies, the organizer has the right to verify participants' personal data by requesting a copy of an identity document that reports the same data entered for the registration.
- The organizer is not responsible for participants' false data provision.

6. Notes regarding prizes adjudication

- The publication of the results according to the calendar of the competition has to be considered a provisional publication. It shall be bound by the verification of the requisites defined by the competition.
- Once the results will be published, the organizer reserves the right to collect and verify a copy of the identity cards of the Winners and the papers signed by the winners as requested by the organizer.
- Prizes will be awarded after verifying the identity of the winners and after they sign a self-declaration certifying that they fully accept the terms of the competition and the declarations of the transfer of rights regarding the materials.

7. Competent court and applicable law

- The German law regulates the rules of these competitions. Any controversy that might arise shall be of exclusive competence of the Hamburg District Court.

