





# LUXEMBOURG AI EXCELLENCE AWARDS

# **COMPETITION RULES**

## Article 1: Subject of the Award

The purpose of these rules is to define the terms and conditions for awarding the "Luxembourg AI Excellence Awards" intended to recognize innovative projects in the field of Artificial Intelligence that bring added value and potential to the economy and society.

#### Article 2: Organizers

The awards are co-organised by FEDIL, the Voice of the Luxembourg's Industry and the national innovation agency Luxinnovation.

## Article 3: Eligible Candidates

The awards are open to organizations from the private sector (entrepreneurs, start-ups, SMEs, large companies) from different sectors.

If the candidates are individuals (independent contractors, entrepreneurs) or groups of individuals, a pre-screening will be conducted by a dedicated working group created jointly by FEDIL and Luxinnovation.

Public research institutions (universities, research centers) or entities from the public sector (ministries, local authorities, etc.) cannot apply independently. Applications must be made by a private organization presenting the project, through a partnership/collaboration.

Candidates must :

- Be headquartered or have a substantial presence in Luxembourg or be residents of Luxembourg.
- Showcase an innovative project that leverages artificial intelligence.

## Article 4 : Projects eligibility criteria

Submitted projects must:

- Demonstrate an innovative and original character.
- Showcase a potential impact on the economy, society, or the environment.
- Be based on AI technologies (machine learning, natural language processing, computer vision, etc.).
- Be already implemented.







## Article 5 : Evaluation criteria

Projects will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Innovation and originality
- Impact and added value
- Technical feasibility and development potential
- Ethics and responsibility

## Article 6: Composition of the Jury

The jury is composed of recognized experts in the field of AI, from academia, industry, and the public sector.

The jury will have a minimum of 7 members and no more than 11 members.

## Article 7: Application procedure

Candidates are expected to submit a duly completed application form within the communicated deadline.

Any submission that is late or incomplete will be rejected.

## Article 8 : Selection procedure

The selection procedure consists of three (3) phases:

- 1. Pre-selection: The jury selects the most promising projects.
- 2. Interviews: The pre-selected candidates are invited to present their project before the jury.
- 3. Deliberation: The jury designates the winners.

The presentation date before the jury is fixed by the organizers. Candidates must ensure their availability on this date, otherwise, their evaluation will be based exclusively on the written application.

#### Article 9: Jury decision

The jury will reach a decision by an absolute majority vote of the members present during deliberation.

The jury's final decision regarding the winners is sovereign and indisputable.

#### Article 10: Awards presentation

The awards will be presented annually.

The prize will be awarded during an official ceremony, the date of which will be set by the organizers.

The winner will receive:

- A symbolic award,
- Media visibility.







## Article 10: Intellectual property and confidentiality

The organizers and the jury will ensure that any information shared by the candidates will remain confidential.

The intellectual property of the projects remains with the candidates. However, they authorize the organizers to communicate about the winning projects upon agreement.

#### Article 11: Rules change

The organizers hold the right to change the present rules if required.