

IITB ACCESS Competition 2023

Vinaya and Samir Kapoor Competition & Awards for ACcelerating Climate Energy & Sustainability Solutions (ACCESS)

Rules:

- The written proposal is strictly limited to max.5 pages double-spaced.
- Cover pages are not accepted.
- If a submission exceeds this limit, only up to the first 5 pages will be evaluated.
- Submissions must maintain 1-inch (2.54 cm) margins, double-spacing and use 12-point font.
- The written proposals must be submitted as pdf files.
- The materials and information once submitted to the ACCESS competition are considered final.
- Incomplete submissions and/or submissions that do not adhere to all ACCESS Competition rules, terms, conditions, and judging criteria may be excluded from judging.
- Additional rounds of evaluation may be implemented by the Awards Committee. Teams selected for a subsequent round need to meet the requirements of that round to continue to participate in the Competition.
- Submissions that win may not be resubmitted to the Competition in the subsequent year.

Proposal Template

A. Brief Background:

Provide a brief introduction to your proposed climate innovation, explaining its purpose and potential impact. (Approx. 1/4th of Page)

A. Problem Statement:

Brief description of the real problem you are solving. (Approx. Half page)

B. Purpose/Scope of Solution:

To what extent does your idea/concept offer innovative, compelling and unique value in solving the problem. (Include competitive landscape and benchmarking against existing solution(s)).(Approx. Half Page)

C. Summary of Solution: Science/Technology/Mathematical Approach

Explain why your solution is Innovative and what sets it apart from existing solutions (unique selling points). (Approx. Half page)

D. Justification/Rationale for the Approach:

As applicable, include: data, literature references, research references/state-of-the-art/gaps, figure(s), equations/ mathematical model, prior/platform knowledge, prototype(s), & anything YOU think will support your proposal (Approx. one page.. pls provide the calculation details)

E. Impact Potential/ Target Audience / Reach:

e.g., # of homes, # of people, carbon footprint/greenhouse gas reduction, energy efficiency gained, ROI, and/or create a novel metric applicable to your idea. Also include the basis for estimating the impact potential. (Approx. Half page.. pls provide the calculation details)

F. Feasibility and Next Steps:

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Outline the steps necessary to bring your innovation to fruition (i.e. to progress, de-risk and execute towards scaling and realizing its impact in practice), including resources or partnerships required. Provide a timeline and budget, as well as potential obstacles or challenges that may need to be overcome. (Approx. 3/4th page)

G. Team composition:

Include team details (names, affiliations, qualifications, previous experience, etc.) (2-5 members). (Approx. Half page)

H. Conclusion

Summarize your proposal, emphasizing its potential to make a significant contribution to the fight against climate change. (Approx. 1/4th page)

Appendix: If you want to provide additional valuable info to support the Sections above – (max 2 pages)