

Terms and Conditions

CAST YOUR VOTE for the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award!

The 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award will be awarded to one of the Nominees of 2018 EIT VENTURE Award, EIT CHANGE Award, EIT Woman Leadership & Entrepreneurship Award, and EIT Innovators Award.

Read full details below.

1. Internet voting

Internet votes for the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award are tallied by total email verified clicks on the "vote" button for each 2018 Award Nominee during the open online voting period.

Limit of **one vote per person**, and each vote has to be confirmed by email by the Internet voter.

Please note that Internet votes only determine the winner of the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award and do not determine the winners of the 2018 EIT CHANGE, WOMAN, INNOVATORS and VENTURE Awards.

The 2018 EIT CHANGE, WOMAN, INNOVATORS and VENTURE awards will be decided separately following the evaluation by independent external jury members during INNOVEIT 2018 on 3 October 2018, and will be announced on 4 October 2018 during the 2018 EIT Awards ceremony.

2. Internet voting period

The online voting is open from 00:01 CET, 3 September 2018 until 23:59 CET, 3 October 2018.

3. INNOVEIT 2018 audience votes

Please note that the Internet votes for the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award will be combined with the in-person on-site audience votes of the INNOVEIT 2018 participants.

The INNOVEIT 2018 event will be held on 4 October 2018, in Budapest, Hungary.

Further instructions for the participants of the INNOVEIT 2018 event will be given at the conference venue.

4. Result and announcement of the voting

At the end of the voting period, the Nominee who received the most public and INNOVEIT 2018 audience votes – all 2018 EIT Award categories combined – will be declared the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award winner.

Provided that two Nominees receive the same number of combined Internet and INNOVEIT 2018 audience votes, the declared winner of the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award between the two Nominees will be the Nominee that received the highest number of INNOVEIT 2018 audience votes.

The 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award winner will be announced on 4 October 2018 during the 2018 EIT Awards ceremony of the INNOVEIT 2018 event.

5. Prize

There will be **no financial prize** awarded for the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award winner.

The winner of the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award will have the right to use the title '2018 EIT PUBLIC Award winner', and he/she may be further involved in EIT activities relating to the 2018 Awards (e.g. communication activities).

6. Miscellaneous

The 2018 EIT Awards Nominees may not use external tools or services to artificially inflate their respective Internet vote counts, or else risk being disqualified of the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award.

EIT cannot be held liable for any Internet malfunctions that prevent the vote from proceeding, particularly due to outside malicious acts. Each person is solely responsible for their own visit to the website and participation in the online voting.

EIT also cannot be held liable if one or more voters cannot connect to the website due to any technical failures or problems due to network traffic.

In all cases, if the proper administrative and/or technical operation of the voting is disrupted by a virus, computer bug, unauthorised human intervention, or any other cause beyond EIT's control, EIT reserves the right to suspend or interrupt the internet voting part of the 2018 EIT PUBLIC Award.

7. Contact

In case you encounter technical difficulties to vote online, please contact <u>EIT-Awards@eit.europa.eu</u> for support.