

InfraVision – Infrastructure as a System: Rethink the Future

Competition Terms & Conditions

1. Organizer

The competition is organized by the **InfraVision ThinkTank**.

2. Purpose

The InfraVision ThinkTank 2026 Student Competition invites creative and multidisciplinary student teams to rethink infrastructure in a world in constant transition. The theme is ‘Infrastructure as a System: Rethink the Future.’ Participants are challenged to conceive an infrastructure project that is not just efficient today, but resilient, adaptive and sustainable across uncertain futures, in a world shaped by climate pressure, technological disruption, regulatory change and shifting demand.

By engaging with design, planning, stakeholder collaboration, technology, and decarbonization, entrants will propose concrete, forward-thinking solutions that highlight resilience, adaptability, and are capable of delivering value consistently. Beyond imaginative proposals, this competition offers students the opportunity to confront real-world complexities, apply cross-disciplinary skills, and receive expert feedback from a jury of experts. Through their participation, teams will contribute to imagining and shaping the future of infrastructure systems.

3. Eligibility

- Open to any individual or team of students enrolled at the time of submission, including PhD candidates. Students recently graduated (in 2025) are also eligible.
- Participants must be at least 18 years old or have parental/legal guardian consent.
- Open to all nationalities and academic institutions, unless stated otherwise.
- Not eligible: employees of the organizer, their immediate families, or anyone directly involved in organizing the competition.

4. How to Participate

- Submit the application via the official online form. Required details: name, email, institution, project summary, number of people in the team (1 to 6).

- Each participant/team may submit only one project.
- The submission of the project must include one of the following formats (the submitted file may be in PDF):
 - A presentation of 30 to 40 slides (e.g., based on PowerPoint) including a written abstract and visual representations.

5. Timeline

- **Opening date:** May 15th, 2026
- **Expression of interest:** July 31st, 2026, 23:59 (CET)
- **Submission deadline:** July 31st, 2026, 23:59 (CET)
- All deadlines refer to Central European Time (CET). The organizer reserves the right to extend deadlines if necessary.
- Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered.

6. Evaluation and Jury

- A jury of independent experts (academics, professionals, etc.) will evaluate the projects submitted.
- Evaluation criteria notably include:
 1. Design quality;
 2. Sustainability;
 3. Originality / Innovativeness;
 4. Overall impact.
- The jury will shortlist 10 finalists and select three winners.

7. Prizes

- Prizes are subject to local tax regulations. Final amount received may vary depending on the winner's tax obligations.
- First prize: €7,000
- Second prize: €5,000
- Third prize: €3,000

- The organizer reserves the right to publicly announce the winner. No other prizes are planned at this time.

8. Payment Terms

- The winner must provide a valid bank account (IBAN or equivalent) to receive the prize.
- The payment will be made within 60 days of the official announcement of the winners.
- Any required tax forms or declarations must be completed in accordance with local laws.

9. Intellectual Property

- Participants retain full ownership of their submitted projects.
- By submitting a project, participants grant the organizer a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to:
 - Publicly display and promote the submission, in whole or in part, across digital and physical platforms, including websites, social media, newsletters, and exhibitions;
 - Use excerpts, visuals, or summaries from the project for non-commercial promotional purposes (e.g., reports, events, or educational content), with proper attribution where applicable, without additional compensation.
- Any potential commercial use, including licensing, co-development, or publication beyond promotional purposes, will require separate written agreement with the author(s).

10. Confidentiality

- The organizer agrees not to disclose any confidential information without permission, unless required by law.
- Finalists' and the winner's names, images, and projects may be published.

11. Liability

- The organizer is not responsible for:

- Technical issues, personal circumstances, or other conditions preventing participation;
 - Any direct or indirect damage resulting from participation or the awarded prize.
- Participants confirm that their work is original and does not infringe on any third-party rights, including copyright, trademark, or confidentiality obligations.
- Participants are responsible for ensuring their submission complies with all applicable laws, including copyright, privacy, and data protection.

12. Modification or Cancellation

- The organizer reserves the right to modify or cancel the competition in case of force majeure or other unforeseen circumstances, with no obligation to compensate participants.

13. Acceptance of Terms

- Participation in the competition implies full acceptance of these Terms and Conditions.
- The organizer reserves the right to disqualify any submission that violates the rules.

14. Personal Data and Privacy

- Personal data collected will be used exclusively for managing the competition (registration, selection, award).
- In compliance with the GDPR, participants may access, modify, or request the deletion of their data by contacting contact@infravision-thinktank.com.
- Data will be retained only as long as necessary and then deleted in accordance with legal requirements.

15. Governing Law and Jurisdiction

- These Terms and Conditions are governed by French law.
- Any dispute shall be submitted to the competent courts of Paris.

