

1. How to participate

Q	How can I participate in the contest?
A	You can fill out and submit the online idea suggestion form by the due date.
Q	Can I submit more than one idea?
A	Yes, you can. You can submit more than one suggestion form. Each idea is separately evaluated. But, you need to use a different social network ID for each submission.
Q	Can I participate only as a team?
A	You can participate as a one-person team. But, we recommend that you participate as a group of people working together so that you can further develop your idea while sharing your thoughts.
Q	Can I make changes to the final idea suggestion form that I submitted?
A	You can make changes to the suggestion form before the deadline. But, you cannot use the online form on our website for revisions. Please send us an email, we will assist you with resubmission.
Q	Can anybody participate in the contest?
A	Yes, anybody can participate. But, if you are less than 14 years of age, please contact us first at thecircledesk@gmail.com .
Q	Do I have to agree to the terms and conditions for the collection and use of my personal information?
A	Yes, it is required by law. You cannot participate in the project if you don't accept the terms and conditions for the collection and use of personal information.

2. Idea suggestion form

Q	Do I have to include technical specifications in the suggestion form?
A	We recommend that you include the technology needed to implement your idea. It is more advantageous to include the description of the technology to be used for your idea in detail. For example, you can provide the goal of your idea in terms of specifications and values and suggest how it is currently not achieved. If your idea is about a product, those will be materials, size, weight, manufacturing costs, features, etc. (e.g.: fine dust removal rate for an air purifier)
Q	Can I modify the existing idea and submit it?
A	Yes. You can submit the idea if you can clearly show what you did to improve it, even if it is an idea that is already recognized as an intellectual property of others. You are responsible for making sure that your idea does not violate any intellectual property rights.
Q	How can I find out whether I made it to the final?
A	You can check the notification section on our website. We will also send an email to your team leader.
Q	Are there any differences between the contest themes?
A	There is no difference between the contest themes. A certain theme is not more advantageous or disadvantageous than others.
Q	Is there any limitation to the freely chosen theme?
A	No. There is no limitation. As long as your idea is about solving a social problem through science and technology, any subject is welcomed.
Q	Can I submit additional materials to support my idea?
A	You can attach images and video clips with your online suggestion form. Your attachments should not exceed 50MB.
Q	What if there is no mission for the theme I selected?
A	If there is no mission for the theme, please select "Other."
Q	Can I select any theme?
A	Yes. You can select any theme, and more than one theme.

3. Final Round

Q	What if I cannot submit the final idea after I make it to the final?
A	You will be excluded from the final evaluation. Even if your idea is not finalized, please submit the progress status by the deadline.
Q	What other support will a team receive after making it to the final?
A	All the finalists will receive a 1 million won grant and help from mentors through Idea Generation Workshop while turning the idea into an action plan.
Q	What if I can't participate in the workshop?
A	All the finalists must participate in the scheduled Idea Generation Workshop. Please email us if you cannot participate in the workshop.
Q	When is the workshop scheduled?
A	We will notify the finalists of the detailed information including date and place for the Idea Generation Workshop.
Q	Who are the experts included in the mentor group?
A	They are experts in the fields related with the suggested ideas and civil activists who work to solve the applicable social problems.
Q	What is the Idea Generation Workshop?
A	The Idea Generation Workshop is a workshop for you to further develop your idea. You can hone in on your idea through various activities to help you create innovative and creative ideas.
Q	Can you send an official absence excuse letter to my school so that I can participate in the workshop?
A	Yes. If you need an official letter from us, please email us at thecircledesk@gmail.com .

4. Evaluation

Q	Can I submit the idea that I submitted to other contests?
A	Any idea that wins or receives support from other contests will be excluded from the evaluation. The award may be taken back even after winning the contest.
Q	How is the final decision made?
A	Each team will submit the final draft of the idea suggestion form after the Idea Generation Workshop. The evaluation is done by the panel of experts based on the impact, urgency, innovation, viability of the ideas. The final decision will be made by the overall scores you receive during the preliminary and final evaluations.
Q	What is the evaluation process like?
A	A panel of judges made up of academic and industry experts will judge all eligible entries based on the criteria. The detailed results for each team will not be disclosed. After receiving the suggestion forms, they will chose 5 finalists in each theme after reviewing the paperwork and checking for duplicate entries.
Q	What are the awards?
A	All the finalists will receive a one million won grant. From the final evaluation, one Grand Prix team (20 million won), 5 Golden Ticket teams (5 million won) and 3 Challenge teams (1 million won) will be selected. The ideas from the Grand Prix team and 5 Golden Ticket teams (a total of 6 teams: 2 teams per theme) will be reflected to the missions in the second phase.

5. Others

Q	What happens to the submitted ideas?
A	All the ideas and related materials will be discarded within 1 year after the contest results are announced. However, winning ideas may not be destroyed with the consent from the submitter.
Q	Can I withdraw from submission?
A	You can withdraw the submission of your idea before the announcement of the winners. The withdrawn ideas are considered as if they have never been submitted. We will dispose of all the materials related with the withdrawn idea.
Q	How do you handle the ideas that are similar to or copied from others?
A	The award will be canceled if the idea is a copy or stolen. The submitter will be responsible for any infringement that is resulted from it.
Q	Who owns the intellectual property rights of the submitted idea?
A	The person who suggested the idea will own the intellectual property right. However, the golden ticket winners should give a license to the foundation for 3 years so that we can use it during the O-Prize solution contest. If you decline to give the license, you will not get a golden ticket.
Q	I have some questions Whom do I have to contact?
A	Please send an email to the Circle Foundation thecircledesk@gmail.com for any questions.