Instructions for participants

Introduction
Global Issues such as poverty, food security, public health, inequality and environmental degradation are the product of global relations in which we as global citizens bear some responsibility. The World’s Challenge Challenge encourages young minds from different disciplines to come together to address a global issue, offering solutions to implement in partnership with communities.

The World’s Challenge Challenge competition recognizes that there are no simple solutions to the significant challenges facing the world and that proposals offered to address some aspect of these global issues must take this perspective into account and be seen as part of a larger picture of the global inequalities that exist today.

How it works
Student teams submit a brief application with a synopsis of their chosen issue or problem, and how they propose to address it. Once all applications are reviewed to ensure they meet entry qualifications, students will be invited to submit a 3 minute recorded presentation to sell their solution. A selection committee will review the pitches and select 5 teams to advance to the finals.

Each finalist team will be asked to submit a 5-7 minute recorded presentation to talk about the World’s Challenge they wish to tackle, using a PowerPoint presentation (or similar) for visual support. Although teams do not have to present them, all references used for presentations must appear in the final slide. Finalists will also be asked to participate in a Q&A session with judges which will take place virtually.

Please note: video pitches should be a reflection of how your pitch would have been in person, just recorded (ie. We are not looking for highly edited and produced videos but for a recording of you pitching your idea as you would if you were pitching in person).

For your presentation
When preparing for your presentation, please consider the following requirements:

- Clearly identify the global issue that your team is addressing. We encourage student teams to consider the Global Goals as part of their presentation.
- Reflect upon the role that your own country or Western countries may have in the existence and/or perpetuation of the global issue.
- Reflect upon the role that you, as individuals and local communities, in the existence and/or perpetuation of the global issue.
- Present an idea to help address the global issue, using logical and convincing arguments, and including the way local and global communities can collaborate to develop joint solutions.
- Solutions should include realistic plans for implementation, with some consideration for budget, logistics and possible partners.
- Provide as many statistics and supporting research as possible to both the World’s Challenge and your solution.
- Polish your presentation to make it organized, visual and engaging.
- Video submissions can be submit a video recording (like Zoom, Teams, etc.) with slides shared on screen and the recording exported to MP4 format.