

OHE INNOVATION POLICY PRIZE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The competition is free to enter.
2. Individual and team (7-6 people) submissions are welcome.
3. The 2024 OHE Innovation Policy Prize question: "How can economic policies incentivise environmentally sustainable innovation in the life sciences sector?"
4. The OHE Innovation Policy Prize ("the Prize") will be awarded to the final Submission which, in the opinion of the Judges, is the best answer to the Prize Question and is in agreement with these terms and conditions.
5. The Office of Health Economics has appointed:
 - I. a panel of Judges ("the Judges") to agree shortlist submissions and award Prizes*;
 - II. a Prize Manager to ensure that the competition progresses fairly and within the parameters of these terms and conditions.

**The Office of Health Economics may at its discretion appoint further Judges during the course of the competition.*
6. All OHE promotional activities relating to the winning submission will give credit to all those identified as having developed it.
7. The competition is not limited to economist entries, it is open to everyone who does not belong to any of the below exempt groups*:
 - 7a) current and past OHE employees/contractors or their families
 - 7b) current and past OHE board or trustee members
 - 7c) the judges or their employees

**If you are in doubt about yours or a fellow contributors' eligibility to enter, please email the Prize Manager as their ruling is final (prizefund@ohe.org).*
8. In submitting an entry, the Author(s):
 - Ba) agrees to be bound by these terms and conditions and certifies that their entry meets these terms and conditions;
 - Bb) in the case of joint Authors, the Lead Author who is submitting their entry certifies that they have been nominated by all of the contributors to be the person who will be paid and distribute the Prize in the event that the Authors Submission is the winning Submission;
 - Be) certifies that: (i) as of the submission date the entry is the original work of the Author(s) and has not been copied wholly or substantially from any other work or material or any other source; (ii) the Author(s) is the sole legal and beneficial owner of the entry in its entirety, references to past original works excluded; (iii) the Author(s) has not assigned or licensed and will not assign or license any of the rights in the entry until the competition has concluded and a winner has been announced; (iv) the Author is unaware that the entry infringes any rights of any third party;
 - Bd) certifies that all Authors are eligible to enter the competition;
 - Be) indemnifies Office of Health Economics, the Judges, the Prize Manager and all other persons associated with the administration of the Prize against any legal action arising from a false, incomplete or misleading warranty given in accordance with these terms and conditions;
 - Bf) agrees that the Author(s) may be contacted by the Prize Manager or the Office of Health Economics to provide additional information in connection with the Prize both during and after the competition.
9. The overall Prize for the winning submission is £40,000. A Runner-Up and other additional Prizes may be awarded by the judges. All prizes will be awarded in British pounds sterling.
10. Should the Judges agree that no final submission is of high enough standard to be selected as the winning answer, the Judges reserve the right not to award the £40,000 Prize.
11. The Prizes are funded by the charity arm of the Office of Health Economics.

Round One Submissions

12. An individual/group of individuals wishing to enter the competition should submit a first-round submission which must:

12a) aim to answer the Prize question taking into consideration the judges' guidance and checklist;

12b) be anonymised. To anonymise their submission the lead Author must create a code which consists of the last five numbers of their contact number which is to be entered into the designated space in the footer of the round one submission template. The contact number supplied must be the same as the number supplied when registering. For example, with a contact number of +44 (0)207 747 1400, the entry code would be 71400.

12c) the submission template must be complete (i) terms and conditions sign off (ii) a title (iii) a summary of 500 words or less; (iv) a main submission of 2,500 words or less (footnotes, diagrams, charts, pictorial material, maps, spreadsheet outputs, financial modelling and tables are permitted and will not count towards this word limit; Appendices containing further ancillary material of any kind are also permitted and will not count towards this word limit);

12d) be submitted electronically via online submission. Authors must attach their anonymised entry in both PDF and Microsoft Word format and must provide contact information on the submission form (these details will not be disclosed to the judges).

12e) be received by the Office of Health Economics by 23:59hrs BST on 13.05.24

12f) be in English;

12g) have numbered pages;

12h) be presented on A4 size pages using the submission template (oversize maps and diagrams will not be accepted);

12i) contain nothing that is defamatory or indecent.

13. The Prize Manager reserves the right to utilise any online plagiarism checks to confirm the originality of an entry (see 8c for further details). Any entry judged to have wholly or partially plagiarised other work or is otherwise in breach of the aforementioned warranties will be disqualified.
14. Round-One Submissions which do not meet the conditions set out in terms 7, 8 and 12 will not be eligible for the Prize and will be disqualified at this stage.

Round Two Submissions

15. The Judges, with the assistance of the Prize Manager, will shortlist several Round-One Submissions. The Judges reserve the right not to consider any Appendices attached to the Primary Submissions in devising the shortlist.

16. The Office of Health Economics will write to Authors who are successfully shortlisted, inviting them to participate in Round-Two of the Prize and elaborate on their solution in accordance with the below terms and conditions.

17. Round-Two Submissions must:

17a) aim to elaborate upon the Author' Round-One answer;

17b) aim to answer any additional or clarificatory questions posed by the Judges after Round-One scoring (questions are likely to be unique to each entry);

17c) continue to meet conditions outlined in 7 and 8;

17d) be anonymised using the same code used in Round-One (guidance 12b);

17e) the submission template must be complete (i) terms and conditions sign off (ii) a title (iii) a summary of 1,000 words or less; (iv) a main submission of 10,000 words or less (footnotes, diagrams, charts, pictorial material, maps, spreadsheet outputs, financial modelling and tables are permitted and will not count towards this word limit; Appendices containing further ancillary material of any kind are also permitted and will not count towards this word limit);

17f) be submitted online by emailing the completed submission form to prizefund@ohe.org. Authors must attach their anonymised entry in both PDF and Microsoft Word format, and must provide contact information of all applicants on the submission form (these details will not be disclosed to the judges);

17g) be received by the Office of Health Economics by 23:59hrs on 13.10.24;

17h) be in English;

17i) have numbered pages;

17j) be presented on A4 size pages using the submission template (oversize maps and diagrams will not be accepted);

17k) contain nothing that is defamatory or indecent.

18. In submitting a Round-Two Submission, Authors agree (if requested) to present their Round-Two Submissions on a 5-minute or less video entry which will support their written entry (funded by the Office of Health Economics).

19. In submitting a Round-Two Submission, Authors agree that their entries (written and video) as well as Author biographies will be hosted on a dedicated Prize hub on www.ohe.org