

# 2020 ELEVATOR PITCH COMPETITION

## **IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES**

#### FRIDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY 2020 AT 11:59 PM CET

Deadline to submit application for EPC

#### TUESDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY 2020 via email

Individuals selected for EPC

## FRIDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY 2020

Deadline for confirmation from individuals

#### **EARLY MARCH 2020**

Virtual mentorship sessions for individuals invited

#### MONDAY, 23RD & TUESDAY, 24TH MARCH 2020

Hosted at Maison Minatec Conference Center Mentorship session at the conference site

#### **2020 GSW EPC**

20 individuals get the chance to share 90 second pitches to VIPs and attendees, as well as win €2000 in cash prizes.

# **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

- Submit your application online at <a href="http://gsw.mit.edu/EPC">http://gsw.mit.edu/EPC</a>
- The application for the Elevator Pitch Competition consists of a 2-minute video submission uploaded to Youtube with a viewable link (public or unlisted). The application must be submitted by 11:59 PM CET Friday, 21st February 2020
- Individuals invited to participate in the Elevator Pitch Competition will be notified on or before 11:59 PM CET on Tuesday, 25th February 2020
- Confirmation or Withdrawal: Individuals invited to participate in the 2020 GSW Elevator Pitch Competition will be given until 11:59 PM CET on Friday, 28th February 2020 to confirm their participation. Individuals who do not confirm by this time will forfeit their invitation, which will be extended to another individual.
- All individuals selected for the Elevator Pitch Competition will receive personalized mentorship to refine their pitches before the 2020 GSW Elevator Pitch Competition; therefore, coordination and attendance at mentorship sessions are required.



## **VIDEO SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. Pitches are preferred to be in English, but French is also permitted.
- 2. Pitches can last a maximum of 2 minutes.
- 3. Videos must show the applicant speaking directly to the camera.
- 4. Videos must be clear and understandable.
- 5. Pitch content should cover a clearly defined problem and proposed solution.
- 6. No visual aids or guides may be used in the pitch.

# **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

# ELEVATOR PITCH COMPETITION

Individuals must meet all the following requirements to be eligible to participate in the Elevator Pitch Competition.

**Pitch Limitations:** The Elevator Pitch Competition is meant to provide a space for individuals with ideas for how to solve pressing issues facing the world to present their own unique solutions. All solutions must be original, and pitches must be by the individual submitting the applications. Pitches at GSW will be a maximum of 90 seconds, and the pitch video submissions are permitted to be a maximum of 2 minutes long. The individual should not have incorporated any of the ideas contained within the pitch in a registered business.

**Individual Eligibility:** All individuals who pitch must be registered and confirmed for the competition, have submitted their application materials and have attended mentorship sessions. No individual may substitute for another. Individuals must pay for their own travel. MIT GSW will not provide travel funding or assistance.

The Global Startup Workshop Showcase selection committee reserves the right to include or exclude any individuals for any reasons.