Terms & conditions The Spindle Best Innovation Award 2017

- Deadline for submission of entries is 31 August 2017 at 23:59h Amsterdam Time.
- Only complete entries submitted in the English language via the online form will be accepted.
- Competitors can participate in the competition more than once with different submissions and as a part of different teams or individually. Multiple submissions on the same entry form will not be accepted.
- For an innovation to be selected for nomination, it has to meet a set of criteria. The nomination selection and the award-winning innovation selection, will be made by the jury on the basis of these criteria. The Spindle will grant growth money (5,000 euro) to the award-winning innovation. In the rare event that the award winner, despite the careful selection procedure, does not fit the innovation objectives of The Spindle, then The Spindle team reserves the right not to grant the (full amount of) growth money.
- The decisions of the jury about the winning entry for The Spindle Best Innovation Award are final and binding. No correspondence will be entered into the decisions.
- In case of nomination, competitors are provided an opportunity to pitch their idea at the Partos Innovation Festival 2017 (12 October, Amsterdam). In preparation, they will be offered a pitch training (time and place to be announced). Travelling to the pitch training and to the Innovation Festival will be on their own expenses.¹
- The Public Award is an extra award, in addition to the Best Innovation Award, with a separate selection procedure. It will be awarded to the innovation that received the highest score in the online public voting. The online public voting and the Public Award is meant to help you show case your innovation. It does not include any form of price money.
- All competitors are expected to treat the innovations of other participants with respect and discretion.
- If there is any suspicion of fraud, the Spindle reserves the right to withdraw the competitor from the competition.
- With their submission, competitors give consent to The Spindle to use the information they provide to be uploaded onto The Spindle website and used on Partos and The Spindle social media channels. All motivated requests to handle information confidentially will be respected by The Spindle team and the jury.
- When competitors communicate on the (social) media about their submission for the innovation award they are obliged to refer to The Spindle Innovation Award as an initiative of The Spindle, the innovation platform of Partos. The Spindle is financially made possible by The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

¹ In exceptional cases, when a nominee is unable to pay for his or her travel expenses, a contribution to the costs for travelling may be considered by The Spindle.