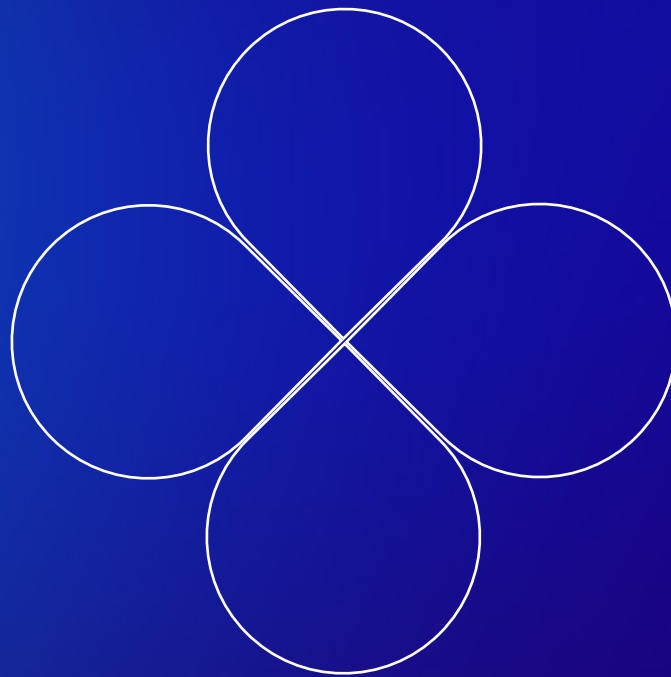




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Applicant Support Guide

Support guide for applicants

Thank you for applying for the Digital Prosperity Awards, we are looking forward to receiving your application. This document will provide you with some useful information to help you complete your submission.

Key Dates in 2023:

30th

SEPTEMBER

Application deadline
to be submitted via
the online portal

23rd

OCTOBER

Finalists
announced

30th
OCTOBER

TO

10th
NOVEMBER

Virtual presentation
days for finalists

DEC

(Date TBC)

Awards ceremony in
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia



Digital Prosperity Award Goals

The Digital Prosperity Awards will promote projects and organizations embracing digital innovation, whilst doing good for the local and global community to bridge the digital divide. Public, private and civil society sector organizations can be nominated for or enter an award which will reward their significant contribution to the digital economy of their country, whilst providing a platform for international support and recognition.

AWARD CATEGORIES

The awards will be set around three pillars; **Digital Innovation, Digital Transformation and Empowering Society**. Each pillar represents a key overarching theme within the industry which will then cascade down into individual award categories. The individual awards are:

DIGITAL INNOVATION

AWARD #1
THE DIGITAL PROSPERITY AWARD FOR DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS

DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

AWARD #1
THE DIGITAL PROSPERITY AWARD FOR DECISION-MAKING

AWARD #2
THE DIGITAL PROSPERITY AWARD FOR COOPERATION

EMPOWERING SOCIETY

AWARD #1
THE DIGITAL PROSPERITY AWARD FOR ETHICS

AWARD #2
THE DIGITAL PROSPERITY AWARD FOR ENVIRONMENT

For more information on each of the award categories, visit the website [HERE:](#)

There will be one public sector winner and one private sector or civil society sector winner from Member States for each category. Winners from private sector or civil society will be entered to win the DCO Member Prize for Digital Prosperity for All. There will also be one finalist from global civil society for each category. The overall winner will receive the DCO International Prize for Digital Prosperity for All.

Scoring System

Each application will be evaluated on the following criteria, so please consider these when completing your submission:

1. Creativity and Innovation

The project or company has demonstrated innovative use of technology or a creative solution to an issue which will accelerate digital transformation.

The following points should be addressed:

- Evidence of a creative solution to an issue which will positively impact the digital economy
 - Development and implementation of innovative technology being optimized to deliver effective results and facilitate product innovation
 - Evidence of successful integration of emerging technologies, such as artificial intelligence or blockchain, to streamline operations and enhance efficiency
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2. Demonstrated Performance and Impact

The company or project has demonstrated clearly how their work has had an impact on lives and there is evidence related to proven performance.

The following points should be addressed:

- Evidence of a track-record of success to date with statistics / data to demonstrate solution performance
 - Digital tools and cooperation which clearly demonstrate the impact of a product or project
 - Clearly stated evidence of digital growth within the relevant industry
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3. Social Responsibility and Sustainability

The applicant will have demonstrated how the project or product has positively impacted society, particularly through creating opportunities and awareness whilst keeping sustainability at the forefront of their solution.

The following points should be addressed:

- Evidence that shared knowledge and experience has created a positive impact on society
 - Address environmental impact and adhere to regulations of social responsibility and sustainability
 - Inclusion and elevated awareness of society issues at the heart of the project
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4. Collaboration and Feasibility at Scale

The project or product can be scaled to affect more people's lives and will demonstrate how further partnerships can enhance the solution.

The following points should be addressed:

- Evidence that there is a considered plan for scaling the solution in order to reach more people, even if the work is currently small-scale
- Leadership strategy outline goals for the coming years with clear plans for growth
- Relationship building is key to the solution and there is evidence of collaboration, with plans for further international partnerships

Next steps

If you are shortlisted as a finalist, you will be invited to participate in a virtual panel judging day between 30th October - 10th November 2023 (date TBC).

You will be required to prepare a 5-minute virtual presentation which will be delivered online to a panel of approximately 5 judges. There will then be a 10 to 15 minute question and answer session. If you are successful in reaching this stage, more information will be shared with you regarding the specific details.

Useful Contacts

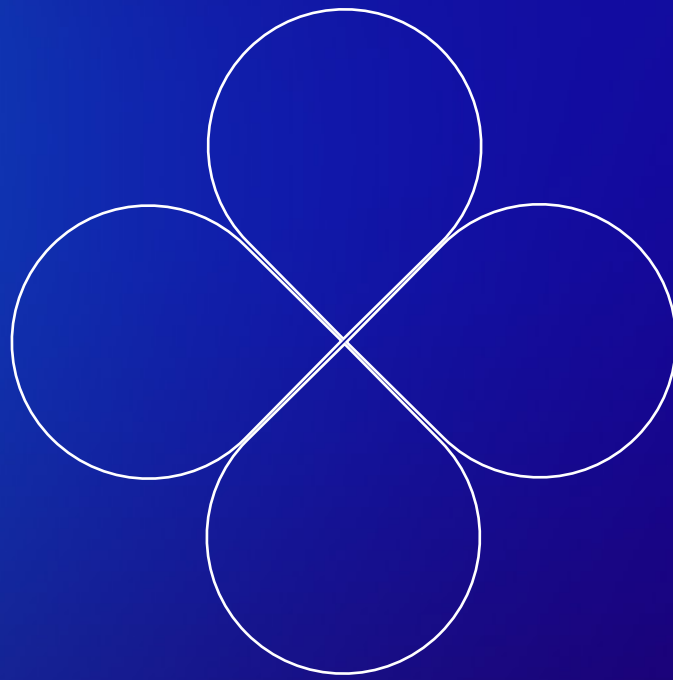
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Good Luck!