

COMPETITION REGULATIONS

GRAND PRIX OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

for the most innovative product/service/solution presented at
Labs Expo 2026 – Laboratory Equipment and Technology Fair

§ 1.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. These regulations (hereinafter referred to as the **“Regulations”**) set out the rules and conditions for the competition to award the **GRAND PRIX OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES** (hereinafter referred to as the **“Award”**) for the most innovative product/service/solution (hereinafter referred to as the **“Competition”**) presented during the Labs Expo 2026 – Laboratory Equipment and Technology Fair to be held on 18–19 March 2026 in Poznań (hereinafter referred to as the **“Event”**).
2. The organisers of the Competition are Nowy Adres sp. z o.o., with its registered office in Warsaw, ul. Sienna 75, 00-833 Warsaw, KRS: 0000977994, and the Polish Academy of Sciences, with its registered office in Warsaw, pl. Defilad 1, 00-901 Warsaw (hereinafter referred to as the **“Organisers”**).
3. The aim of the Competition is to select the most innovative product, service, or solution presented at the Event by exhibitors, submitted to the Competition in accordance with the Regulations, and to grant the Award or a distinction.
4. The Competition will take place from 1 February to 19 March 2026.

§ 2.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

1. Only exhibitors who have confirmed participation in the Event with the organiser, Nowy Adres sp. z o.o., with its registered office in Warsaw, are eligible to take part in the Competition (hereinafter referred to as **“Exhibitors”**).
2. To participate in the Competition, an Exhibitor must:
 - a) take part in the Event as an Exhibitor;
 - b) submit one product, service, or solution for the Competition by 28 February 2026 via email to akonstantynowicz@nowyadres.pl. Submissions made after this deadline will not be considered;
 - c) present the submitted product, service, or solution at the Exhibitor’s stand during the Event on 18 March 2026.

§ 3.

COMPETITION RULES

1. Submission to the Competition:
 - 1) each Exhibitor may submit one product, service, or solution;
 - 2) the submission must be sent via email to the address specified in § 2(2)(b) of the Regulations;
 - 3) the submission should include a completed registration form, which is attached to these Regulations;

- 4) the submitted product, service, or solution must be available for review by Event participants at the Exhibitor's stand on 18 March 2026.
2. By submitting a product, service, or solution, the Exhibitor agrees to abide by these Regulations.
3. The Competition consists of two stages:
 - 1) stage one – submission of candidates for the Award; submissions must be sent to the Organiser, who will conduct a formal and substantive verification of all entries.
 - 2) stage two – the Competition Jury selects the winner(s) from among the submitted and verified candidates and grants the Award or distinctions.
4. The contact person for Competition-related inquiries is Ms Agnieszka Konstantynowicz, a representative of the Event organiser, Nowy Adres sp. z o.o.
5. Competition participants may request clarification of the Regulations or the Competition announcement by contacting Ms Agnieszka Konstantynowicz via email at akonstantynowicz@nowyadres.pl.
6. The method of selecting the Competition winner:
 - 1) to evaluate submissions from the Exhibitors and select the winners, the Polish Academy of Sciences will appoint a Competition Jury (hereinafter referred to as the "**Jury**"), consisting of the President of the Polish Academy of Sciences and representatives of the Academy with relevant expertise in the Competition's subject areas;
 - 2) the Jury will convene before the start of the Event at a time and in a manner determined by the Jury;
 - 3) the Jury's meeting will be held in a closed session, without the participation of third parties;
 - 4) the Jury will assess submissions based on its substantive knowledge in the relevant fields, taking into account criteria such as innovation, quality and the significance of the submitted products, services, or solutions for the industry;
 - 5) the Jury will make decisions by voting.

§ 4.

COMPETITION RESULTS

1. The Jury will select the Competition winner, i.e. the Award recipient, and may also grant up to three distinctions.
2. In the event of a tie, the decision on selecting a single Award recipient and/or distinctions, or awarding *ex aequo* placements, rests with the President of the Polish Academy of Sciences.
3. The Jury's verdict regarding the Award and/or distinctions is final and not subject to appeal.
4. The Jury reserves the right not to grant the Award and/or distinctions and to declare the Competition void if it determines that none of the candidates meet the Competition criteria or if fewer than three submissions are received.

§ 5.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS AND AWARDS

1. The Competition results will be announced on 18 March 2026 during the Exhibitors' Evening held as part of the Event.
2. The Competition winner will receive a commemorative diploma and a statuette, while those awarded distinctions will receive commemorative diplomas prepared by the Organiser – the Polish Academy of Sciences.

§ 6.

PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

1. To ensure the proper organisation and conduct of the Competition in accordance with the Regulations, the Organisers jointly administer the personal data of Exhibitors submitting their participation in the Competition.
2. Exhibitors participating in the Competition may request the exercise of their rights as specified in Articles 15-22 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation – GDPR), by contacting any of the joint administrators.
3. The joint administrators have not designated a common contact point for data subjects.

§ 7.

FINAL PROVISIONS

1. These Regulations take effect on the date of their publication and remain valid until revoked. They will be published on the website of the Event organiser, Nowy Adres sp. z o.o., with its registered office in Warsaw – <https://labsexpo.pl/pl>.
2. The Organisers reserve the right to amend these Regulations.
3. Participants are responsible for the content submitted through the registration form and, in this regard, release the Organisers from any liability towards third parties whose rights may have been infringed by the submission.
4. In matters not covered by these Regulations, decisions are made by the Organisers.
5. Any issues not covered by these Regulations are governed by the provisions of the Civil Code.

Annex no. 1: application form for the COMPETITION – GRAND PRIX OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES for the most innovative product/service/solution presented at Labs Expo 2026 – Laboratory Equipment and Technology Fair

Annex no. 1

**APPLICATION FORM
FOR THE COMPETITION – GRAND PRIX OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**

for the most innovative product/service/solution presented during Labs Expo 2026 – Laboratory Equipment and Technology Fair

Exhibitor data:

Name and surname of the person submitting the application:
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Name of the product/service/solution submitted to the competition:
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Description of the submitted product/service/solution (up to 10,000 characters including spaces):
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Attachments may include photos and brochures/folders related to the product.

I consent to the processing of my personal data provided in this application form by the Competition Organisers for the purpose of participating in the Competition. I understand that I can withdraw my consent at any time by explicitly informing the Organisers and that withdrawing consent for the processing of personal data for the purpose of participating in the Competition results in the cancellation of the application. By signing this form, I accept the Competition Regulations. The Regulations are available at: www.labsexpo.pl

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Date and signature of the person submitting the application

Information clause of the Polish Academy of Sciences

1. The joint administrator of personal data is the Polish Academy of Sciences, headquartered in Warsaw (00-901) at Pl. Defilad 1. Contact details: P.O. Box 24, kancelaria@pan.pl, tel. +48 22 182 61 82.
2. The joint administrator has appointed a Data Protection Officer, who can be contacted at the address provided in point 1 or via email at iod@pan.pl.
3. Personal data (as provided in the application form) will be processed in connection with participation in the Competition based on the applicant's consent. Providing this data is a condition for participation in the Competition.
4. Personal data may be shared with entities authorised under the law and with entities providing administrative and organisational services to the joint administrator. The data will be stored only for as long as required by the act of 14 July 1983 on the national archival resource and archives.
5. In accordance with applicable legal provisions, individuals referred to in point 1 have the right to request access to their personal data, rectify it, delete it, restrict its processing, withdraw consent and have their data transferred. They also have the right to lodge a complaint with the President of the Personal Data Protection Office at ul. Stawki 2, 00-193 Warsaw.

Information clause of Nowy Adres sp. z o.o.

1. The joint administrator of personal data is Nowy Adres sp. z o.o., address: ul. Sienna 75, 00-833 Warszawa. NIP:527-23-85-577, REGON 015242444. The company is registered with the District Court for the Capital City of Warsaw, XII Commercial Division of the National Court Register, under KRS number 0000977994.
2. The joint administrator has appointed a Data Protection Officer, who can be contacted regarding matters related to the processing and protection of personal data at iod@nowyadres.pl or kontakt@nowyadres.pl, or in writing to the joint administrator's registered address.
3. The joint administrator processes personal data of Competition participants in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, repealing Directive 95/46/EC (GDPR), the act on personal data protection of 10 May 2018 (UODO) and other applicable legal provisions.
4. The purpose of data processing is to enable participants to take part in the Competition. The legal basis for data processing is the consent given electronically. Providing personal data is a requirement for participation in the Competition.
5. Providing personal data is always voluntary.
6. Personal data may be shared with entities supporting the joint administrator in fulfilling the purposes of data processing, such as providers of administrative and organisational services, as well as, if necessary, authorised state authorities.
7. Personal data will be stored for the period necessary to fulfil the purpose specified in point 4 and for the duration required by applicable archival regulations.
8. At any time, persons whose data is processed have the right to access their data and obtain a copy, rectify (correct) their data, request that their data is deleted or its

processing is restricted, request that their data is transferred, lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority and object to the processing of their data.