



Innovative and Entrepreneurial University of the Year

Submission template

African Awards

# About this document

This document has been designed to support the preparation of your entry for the Triple E Awards.

**Key recommendations:**

* Avoid pure “marketing language” but provide a critical evaluation
* Provide clear examples, data and further evidence. Note that you can upload up to 10 pictures during the submission of your entry.

**Checklist:**

[ ] The submission has been prepared in English language

[ ] I responded to all sections of this template

[ ] My responses do not exceed the character/word limits

[ ] I have my organisation’s logo (horizontal logo format) at hand to upload during the submission process (you may also upload your logo in an additional format, for example, squared or vertical logo)

[ ] I have selected one picture that I will upload as the cover image of my entry

[ ] I have selected up to 10 additional pictures (in .jpg or .png format) that can be uploaded together with the information in this template

**How to submit:**

* Visit <https://submission.triple-e-awards.com>
* Create an account
* Click on the “Submit your Entry Now” button
* Select the award category you would like to submit your entry to (Step 1)
* Copy the information from this document into the online form (Step 2)
* Upload the cover picture for your entry (Step 3)
* Upload up to 10 pictures for your entry (Step 4)
* Submit your entry by clicking on the respective button (you can view, edit and delete your entry in the entry overview on the submission landing page)

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| Award description |

**When filling out this template, keep the description of the Award in mind:**

*“The Innovative University Award acknowledges an academic institution that has exemplified outstanding achievement in conceiving and implementing pioneering approaches to generate novel ideas, methodologies, products, services, or solutions, each bearing significant positive impact and value. This university transcends traditional boundaries of inventorship, technology transfer, and commercialization. It has cultivated an institutional culture that fosters innovation and transformative change, not only in education and research but also in public service. This culture of innovation permeates various facets of university life, potentially encompassing clinical care, athletics, the arts, and auxiliary operations, thereby establishing a comprehensive ecosystem that nurtures and propagates ground-breaking advancements.”*

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| Basic data |

Submission title   
*Insert the name of the nominee (e.g. name of the university, name of the individual, name of the initiative etc.).* (max 100 characters)

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Summary   
*Provide a captivating and concise overview of the achievements or qualities that make the nominee stand out, effectively engaging the reader's interest and curiosity.* (max 300 words)

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Organisation(s) affiliated with the entry   
*E.g. the university that employs the nominee for an individual award, or universities that jointly developed and implemented an initiative. In case you apply for an institutional award, please insert the university name again.* (max 150 characters)

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| [Insert here] |

Background data

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| **Type of University** *For example, comprehensive university, university of applied sciences, technical university, art school, etc.* (max. 150 characters) | [Please insert here] |
| **Number of students** *Total number of students including part and full-time, and bachelor, master and PhD students* (max. 7 characters) | [Please insert here] |
| **Number of academic staff** *Full time equivalent (FTE)* (max. 6 characters) | [Please insert here] |
| **Annual university budget** *Please insert the budget and currency.* (max. 20 characters) | [Please insert here] |
| **Foundation year** *Please insert when your university, initiative, ecosystem, alliance, research project/stream etc. was established (depending on your category).* (max. 4 characters) | [Please insert here] |

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| Evaluation questions |

Innovation in Teaching and Research

Evaluate the university's approach to fostering innovation in its teaching methodologies and research endeavours. Focus on how the university incorporates cutting-edge technologies, interdisciplinary approaches, and novel pedagogical strategies to enhance learning and research outcomes. (max. 450 words)

[Please put your response here]

Implementation of Innovative Practices and Policies

Assess the effectiveness of the university in implementing innovative practices and policies across its operations. This includes administrative processes, campus management, student services, and other areas where innovative solutions have been applied to improve efficiency, accessibility, and overall institutional performance. (max. 450 words)

[Please put your response here]

Impact of Innovation on Student and Faculty Development

Outline the impact of the university's innovative environment on the development of its students and faculty. Consider how the institution supports and nurtures creativity, entrepreneurial thinking, and problem-solving skills, preparing students and faculty to make significant contributions in their fields. (max. 450 words)

[Please put your response here]

Community and Industry Engagement

Examine the university's engagement with the wider community and industry in promoting and implementing innovative solutions. This includes partnerships with local businesses, government, and other organizations to drive innovation, as well as the university's role in contributing to regional or national innovation ecosystems. (max. 450 words)

[Please put your response here]