Terms and Conditions: NextGen Cup Challenge

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2. Eligibility
Children (persons under the age of 13) are not eligible to use the Site in any way. You may use the Site only if you are over 18 years of age, an emancipated minor, or if you possess legal parental or guardian consent, are fully capable of forming a binding contract with IDEO, and are not barred from using the Site under applicable law. If you are between the ages of 14 and 18, you may only use the Site in conjunction with and under the supervision of your parents or legal guardians. Users may not submit any information about or identifying children in any way, and IDEO has the right to discontinue access to the Site in the event a user does so. In any case, you affirm that you are over the age of 13. If you are under 13 years of age, do not use the Site. If IDEO learns that you are under 13 and your personally identifiable information has been collected, then we will delete your account and all personal information associated with it.

3. User Contributions
Upon registering on the Site, you may enter a challenge or competition on the Site (a “Challenge”), participate in an alliance (an “Alliance”), or create an event for an OpenIDEO chapter (an “Event”). These and other features of the Site permit you to upload or otherwise submit, your own content, research, evaluations idea, expression of ideas or comments, and any and all other participation in the Challenge and activity on the Site (your “Contribution(s)”).

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4. Organizers
“Organizers” are Users who help manage our Challenges and Alliances. If you are an Organizer, you acknowledge that you have read and agreed to the Organizer Agreement sent to you by IDEO. If you are interested in becoming an Organizer please contact sshigeoka@ideo.com.

5. Challenges and Alliances
Challenges and Alliances on the Site will be set, moderated, administered and managed by IDEO together with Closed Loop Partners, managing partner, and Starbucks and McDonald’s, founding partners, who together act as a sponsors of the Challenge or Alliance (the “Challenge Sponsor” or “Alliance Sponsor” respectively) as well as certain Organizers. The Challenge Sponsors or Alliance Sponsors are often identified on the Site as “sponsor” together with their names and
logos. This Challenge is further governed by separate challenge conditions (the “Challenge Rules”) which, in the event of conflict, shall have precedence over this TOU.

Unless explicitly stated in the Challenge Rules or in any Alliance related guidelines, no compensation is due to you or anyone else for any use, inadvertent, intentional or otherwise, of that Contribution, related Contributions or Contributions derived from your Contribution.

6. Chapters and Events
Chapters bring people together around social and environmental challenges in more than 30 cities worldwide. Chapters allow the OpenIDEO community members to connect with their local community, create, browse and attend events, access resources tailored to their local area, share inspirations, ideas, and questions, and get help or help others in their pursuit of social and environmental change.

While IDEO provides the online access for Chapters, Chapters are generally community-managed by Organizers. As such, while Users may find information about and RSVP to attend Chapter events on the Site, IDEO does not organize any activity or event under any individual Chapter. If you create an event and submit it to an Organizer, the Organizer has the discretion to approve or reject your event. For more information on the criteria Organizers may consider, please refer to this page. If you have any questions about Chapters or events, please contact your local Chapter Organizer or sshigeoka@ideo.com.

Organizers may delete any reportedly offensive content related to a Chapter or event at their discretion. Finally, IDEO does not assess or guarantee the quality or safety of any events or activities organized under any particular Chapter and your decision to participate in any Chapter is entirely at your own risk.

If you create an event you may be granted access to the names and email addresses of users who RSVP for your event as well as their comments and information related to their posts and previously attended events. You agree not to use this information for any reason other than to organize the event and to notify attendees of any changes or updates to the event. Violation of this provision may cause IDEO to suspend your access to or permanently ban you from the Site.

IF YOU ATTEND AN EVENT ORGANIZED BY A CHAPTER OR EVENT ORGANIZER YOU DO SO AT YOUR OWN RISK AND WAIVE ANY ACTION AGAINST IDEO RELATED TO SUCH EVENT INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY CLAIMS OF PROPERTY DAMAGE OR BODILY INJURY.

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Users are granted the use of Contributions as stated in the TOU, and the use of any content contained in the Contributions will be entirely at your own risk, for which neither IDEO nor its Designees shall be liable. It shall be your own responsibility to ensure that any content from the Contribution you wish to use or develop is suitable for your specific requirements.

While IDEO endeavors to ensure that this Site is available at all times, IDEO and its Designees shall not be liable if, for any reason, this Site is unavailable at any time or for any period.

8. Communications with the Site Administrator
The Site has the following means of communication to IDEO as administrator of the Site:

‘Contact Us’ and ‘Give us your feedback’ enables you to send an email directly to the administrator of the Site.

‘Report’ is available for every comment, Contribution and My Profile and allows any User to point out content, Contributions, postings or messages that the User regards as offensive or damaging and allows IDEO to decide the course of action. IDEO, in consultation with a Designee as necessary, has the right to remove content it considers offensive to Users, and/or suspend a User’s registration.

Should three Users report the same content, Contributions, postings or messages as offensive or damaging, such content, Contribution, posting or message will be immediately “unpublished” from the Site and IDEO will contact the User and decide the course of action as above, including removing the content it considers offensive or republishing such content in the event it determines it is not.
An email address is provided at the end of this TOU for questions about this TOU, the Privacy & Cookie Policy and the DMCA Procedure.

You will receive email messages (the “Notifications”) from the Site to the email address in your My Profile for the purpose of (i) informing you of your and other User’s activities relating to Challenges that you are following, and (ii) sending you an email informing you of new Challenges and other related matters. You can opt out of the former Notifications in My Profile (defined below), and the latter by using the “unsubscribe” facility in the email.

9. Use Restrictions
By using the Site, you agree to the following:

IDEO may retain and use the personal information that you register on the Site. Each User has a profile (“My Profile”) which is self managed. As part of My Profile, IDEO can derive a profile of you (the “Design Quotient” or “DQ”) based solely on your use of the Site.

Your DQ is derived from your Contributions and other User’s feedback on your Contributions, and your applauding of other User’s Contributions using the “Applaud this” button (“Applaud”). You can access your DQ at all times on the Site.

Your My Profile page i) is created upon registering on the Site (first name, email address, location, username and password), ii) can be edited, personalized and customized at will by you, and iii) includes your DQ.

A functionality exists within the Site to acknowledge the Contributions of other Users to an idea, or invite other Users to contribute to an idea (the “Team”) thus recognizing that other Users can, to a limited extent, share in the idea and its journey on the Site. You consent to other Users adding you as a member of a Team for an idea and you acknowledge that you will receive no authorship in the idea. (You will receive a Notification if you become a member of a Team and will have the option of opting out of the Team.)

You further acknowledge that, other than any DQ points earned, you will not be entitled to any reward for Users which may be part of the Challenge Rules or an Alliance. Your Contribution on this Site is i) entirely voluntary, non-confidential and gratuitous; ii) visible to all other Users, and iii) retained and used by IDEO for the purposes of the Site.

You place no restrictions on your Contributions and grant permission to IDEO and the its Designees to process and evaluate your Contribution(s) along with other Users. You do not limit or in any way restrict IDEO’s, its Designees or User’s right to reproduce and/or publish your Contribution(s).

You will not receive any payment or reward for your Contribution. However, individual Challenges or Alliances may have rewards for Users which will be part of the Challenge Rules or, if applicable, any Alliance guidelines.

IDEO may approach you through the Site to further pursue any Contribution or invite you to contribute to Challenges.

IDEO undertakes:
Not to divulge your Contributions or DQ for marketing or advertising purposes for itself or third parties.

To act ethically and openly with all Users of the Site and to remove any Contributions that clearly may offend Users.

Not to copy video and photo files for purposes other than expressed in the TOU, Challenge Rules, or Alliance guidelines, and to treat audio, video and photo images as anonymous even if they contain names, identities or individuals that are identifiable.

To have the same arrangements in place with Challenge and Alliance Sponsors in the same way that IDEO sets, administers, moderates and manages Alliances and Challenges.

To operate the Site in accordance with the latest requirements with respect to our use of cookies and giving you the option not to store these on your computer.

10. Acceptable Use Policy
The Site enables you to submit, post, and share information and content with IDEO, Designees and other Users, as further described hereunder. You must be a registered User to submit any Contributions to the Site.

If you are a User and want to submit a Contribution to a Challenge or Alliance it must be in accordance with the Challenge Rules or any Alliance guidelines. Additionally, you agree to be subject to additional terms and conditions in any applicable Challenge Rules or Alliance guidelines.

With the exception of first and last name, it is not necessary for a User to disclose personally identifiable information publicly in order to fulfill the purpose of the Site and/or a Challenge. In fact, IDEO advises against such. It is each User’s decision as to whether they add personal information to My Profile or upload a photograph of themselves and to opt to make these visible to other Users as part of My Profile.

Unless expressly authorized in the Challenge Rules, Alliance guidelines or on the Site, you are prohibited from posting or transmitting any “sensitive” personally identifiable information over the Site, which may include, but not be limited to, any information about yourself or another person that may relate to health or medical conditions, social security numbers or national identifiers, credit cards, bank accounts, other financial information, other information concerning trade union membership, sex life, political opinions, criminal charges or convictions, religious or philosophical beliefs, racial or ethnic origin, or other sensitive matters.

You are also prohibited from:
  • using the Site to send or post harassing, abusive, or threatening messages;
  • transmitting through the Site any information, data, text, files, links, images, software, or other Materials that IDEO considers to be unlawful, harmful, threatening, abusive, harassing, defamatory, vulgar, obscene, pornographic, hateful, racially, ethnically or otherwise objectionable or which threatens our relationships with our Users, partners, customers or suppliers and Designees;
• attempting to conceal or misrepresenting the identity of the sender, User or person submitting the information, or impersonate any individual (real names, email addresses and other information must be used);
• disrupting the normal flow of the Site, including participating in negative dialogue on the Site or otherwise act in a manner that negatively affects other Users; or posting any unsolicited chain letters, advertising, promotional content, contests, or any other commercial or non-commercial solicitations;
• sending spam or other direct marketing communications or posting, transmitting or linking to unsolicited advertising, promotional content, or any other forms of solicitation or commercial content;
• intentionally or unintentionally performing or promoting any activity that would violate any applicable local, state, national or international law, including but not limited to any regulations having the force of law while using or accessing the Site;
• posting or transmitting executable programming of any kind, including viruses, spyware, trojan horses, easter eggs, or any other form of computer programming;
• posting Contributions or using the Site in such a way that damages the image or rights of IDEO, Designees, other Users, and third parties, including posting Contributions that breach the copyright (or other proprietary rights) of third parties; and
• from creating any frames at any other websites pertaining to any portion(s) of this Site.
• If you are using this Site on a public computer or are otherwise using a computer to which multiple people have potential access, you agree to follow good practice and ensure that you are sufficiently disconnected and logged off this Site and the computer system you are using to prevent unauthorized Contributions.
• Although we are not obligated to monitor access to or use of the Site or to review any Contributions, we have the right to do so for the purpose of operating the Site, to ensure compliance with this TOU, or to comply with applicable law or other legal requirements. We reserve the right, but are not obligated to remove or disable access to any Contributions at any time and without notice, including, but not limited to, if we, at our sole discretion, consider any Contributions to be objectionable or in violation of this TOU including this acceptable use policy. We have the right to investigate violations of this TOU or conduct that affects the Site. We may also consult and cooperate with law enforcement authorities to prosecute Users who violate the law.

11. Digital Millennium Copyright Act (“DMCA”) Procedure

Infringement Notification Procedures
It is IDEO’s policy to respond to notices of alleged infringement that comply with the Digital Millennium Copyright Act. In addition, IDEO will promptly terminate without notice the accounts of Users that are determined by IDEO to be “repeat infringers.” A repeat infringer is a User who has been notified by IDEO of infringing activity violations more than twice and/or who has had a User submission removed from an IDEO Site more than twice.

To file a copyright infringement notification with us, you will need to send a written communication that sets forth the items specified below (please consult your legal counsel or see Section 512(c)(3) of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act to confirm these requirements):

A physical or electronic signature of a person authorized to act on behalf of the owner of an exclusive right that is allegedly infringed.
Identification of the copyrighted work claimed to have been infringed, or, if multiple
copyrighted works at a single online site are covered by a single notification, a representative list of such works at that site.

Identification of the content that is claimed to be infringling or to be the subject of infringing activity and that is to be removed or access to which is to be disabled, and information reasonably sufficient to permit the service provider to locate the content. Providing URLs in the notice is the best way to help us locate content quickly. Information reasonably sufficient to permit the service provider to contact the complaining party, such as an address, telephone number, and, if available, an electronic mail address at which the complaining party may be contacted.

A statement that the complaining party has a good faith belief that use of the content in the manner complained of is not authorized by the copyright owner, its agent, or the law (for example, “I am under the good faith belief that the use of the copyrighted content that is identified herein is not authorized by the copyright owner, its agent, or the law.”). A statement that the information in the notification is accurate, and under penalty of perjury, that the complaining party is authorized to act on behalf of the owner of an exclusive right that is allegedly infringed (for example, “I swear, under penalty of perjury, that the information in this notification is accurate and that I am the copyright owner, or authorized to act on behalf of the copyright owner, of the copyright(s) that is (are) allegedly infringed by the aforementioned content.”).

To expedite our ability to process your request, such written notice should be sent to our designated copyright agent via email at copyright@ideo.com or via regular mail to the following address:

IDEO LP  
Attn: Legal Group (DMCA Notification)  
150 Forest Avenue  
Palo Alto, CA 94301

For clarity, only DMCA notices should go to the IDEO designated copyright agent. Any other feedback, comments, requests for technical support or other communications should be directed to IDEO through hello@openideo.com. You acknowledge that if you fail to comply with all of the requirements of this section, your DMCA notice may not be valid.

Please note that under Section 512(f) any person who materially misrepresents that content or activity is infringing may be subject to liability for damages (including costs and attorneys’ fees). Please also note that the information provided in this legal notice may be forwarded to the person who provided the allegedly infringing content.

Counter-Notification Procedures

The process for counter-notifications is governed by Section 512(g)(3) of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act. To file a counter notification with us, you will need to send a written communication that sets forth the items specified below (please consult your legal counsel or see Section 512(g)(3) of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act to confirm these requirements):
A physical or electronic signature of the user.

Identification of the content that has been removed or to which access has been disabled and the location at which the content appeared before it was removed or access to it was disabled. Providing the specific URL(s) of the content that IDEO has removed or to which IDEO has disabled access is the best way to help us locate content quickly.

Your full name, address, telephone number, and email address, and the username of your IDEO account.

A statement that you consent to the jurisdiction of Federal District Court for the judicial district in which your address is located (or any judicial district in which IDEO may be found if your address is outside of the United States), and that you will accept service of process from the person who provided notification under subsection (c)(1)(C) or an agent of such person.

A statement under penalty of perjury that the subscriber has a good faith belief that the content was removed or disabled as a result of mistake or misidentification of the content to be removed or disabled (for example, “I swear, under penalty of perjury, that I have a good faith belief that the content was removed or disabled as a result of a mistake or misidentification of the content to be removed or disabled.”).

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Please note that under Section 512(f) of the Copyright Act, any person who Materially misrepresents that content or activity was removed or disabled by mistake or misidentification may be subject to liability. Accordingly, if you are not sure whether certain content infringes the rights of others, we suggest you consult your legal counsel.

What happens next?

After we receive your counter-notification, we will forward it to the party who submitted the original claim of copyright infringement. Please note that when we forward the counter-notification, it includes your personal information. By submitting a counter-notification, you consent to having your information revealed in this way.
After we send out the counter-notification, the claimant must then notify us within 10 days that he or she has filed an action seeking a court order to restrain you from engaging in infringing activity relating to the content on IDEO. If we receive such notification, we will be unable to restore the content. If we do not receive such notification, we may reinstate the content.

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14. Termination
We may terminate your access to and use of the Site, at our sole discretion, at any time and without notice to you. You may request cancellation of your account at any time by sending an email to us at hello@openideo.com. Upon any termination, discontinuation or cancellation of the Site or your account, all provisions of this TOU which by their nature should survive will survive, including, without limitation, ownership provisions, warranty disclaimers, limitations of liability, and dispute resolution provisions.

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Any information related to your use of the Site for illegal purposes will be provided to law enforcement authorities. Save as provided in this TOU, you shall have no remedy in respect of any untrue statement (whether written or oral) made to you upon which you rely in agreeing to this TOU (a “Misrepresentation”) and IDEO shall have no liability to you other than pursuant to this TOU. Nothing in this TOU shall exclude or limit IDEO’s liability for any intentional Misrepresentation.

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18. General Provisions
This TOU, the Privacy & Cookie Policy, the DMCA Procedure, and any applicable Challenge Rules and/or Alliance guidelines constitute the entire and exclusive understanding and agreement between IDEO and you relating to use of the Site, and supersede and replace any and all prior oral or written understandings or agreements between IDEO and you regarding the same. If for any reason a court of competent jurisdiction finds any provision of this TOU invalid or unenforceable, such provision will be deemed omitted and the other provisions of this TOU will remain in full force and effect.

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Any notices or other communications provided by IDEO under this TOU, including those regarding modifications to this TOU, will be given: (i) by IDEO via email; or (ii) by posting to the Site. For notices made by email, the date of receipt will be deemed the date on which such notice is transmitted.

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19. Challenge Rules

Users participating in the NextGen Cup Challenge (“Challenge”), will—by virtue of his, her, or its online entry to the Challenge agree to the TOU as a condition of his, her, or its participation in the Challenge and NextGen Cup Circular Business Accelerator (“Accelerator”).

Intellectual Property Rights

Each User will retain intellectual property ownership—including rights, trademarks, service marks and/or logos—of all of his, her, or its Challenge submission ideas, including, but not limited to, methods, Materials, technologies, and other know-how related to the Challenge criteria and technical overview. Subject to the license contained herein, no transfer of intellectual property rights to any third party, including, without limitation, the Challenge Sponsors, any member thereof, or the Challenge managing entity the Center for the Circular Economy at Closed Loop Partners, will be required of any User as a condition of his, her, or its participation in the Challenge or the Accelerator.

Each User represents and warrants that it owns all of its intellectual property rights, free and clear of all encumbrances, and that its rights do not infringe on the intellectual property of any
third party. Each User will be required to indemnify the Challenge Sponsors and Closed Loop Partners, LLC ("Closed Loop") from any breach of these representations.

Each User agrees that, in the event that his, her, or its submission to the Challenge is a prize-winning solution, the Challenge will be allowed to publicize his, her, or its name and a description of his, her, or its winning solution. This publicity will not serve as an endorsement of any particular product or technology.

*Relationship of Users and Challenge Sponsors*

Challenge Sponsors at all times will have the right to separately engage in transactions with Users. Each User will agree, by virtue of his, her, or its online entry to the Challenge, to allow Challenge Sponsors to buy products or license technology from him, her, or it on the most favorable terms provided by such User to any other similarly situated purchaser under an agreement entered into within twenty four (24) months following a User’s entry into the Challenge.

*Use of Prize Money*

Each User, by virtue of his, her, or its entry to the Challenge, will acknowledge and agree that if his, her, or its submission to the Challenge is awarded prize money, he, she, or it will use that prize money towards achieving commercialization of his, her, or its product or technology, and will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause such commercialization to occur as soon as practicable.

*Closed Loop Partners Investment Right*

Neither Closed Loop nor any affiliate thereof is or will be required to make, or commit to make, any investment in any User or winner of the NextGen Cup Challenge or User or participant in the NextGen Circular Business Accelerator, nor will any User, participant in or winner of the NextGen Cup Challenge be required, as a condition to their entry into the NextGen Cup Challenge, to accept an investment from Closed Loop or any affiliate thereof.

Closed Loop Partners, Managing Partner of the NextGen Consortium, typically reserves the right to take equity in companies participating in the firm’s Circular Business Accelerator, NextGen Challenge participants will not be required to provide an equity stake, warrant, or other investment commitment. Challenge and Accelerator participants are still eligible for consideration for investment if they so choose.

**20. Contact Information**

If you have any questions about this TOU, please contact OpenIDEO at hello@openideo.com.

**21. Non-confidentiality**

Please do not submit confidential information as part of your application to the NextGen Cup Challenge. Challenge Sponsors, OpenIDEO and Closed Loop Partners will not keep your idea confidential, as your idea will be copied and distributed internally to many people within the NextGen Cup Consortium for evaluation. If you would like to keep your materials confidential, do NOT send them to us. WE WILL NOT REVIEW CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. Please note that
if you have preliminary discussions with Challenge Sponsors, OpenIDEO or Closed Loop Partners employees, they are not authorized to accept information on a confidential or restricted basis.