



X Festival of Innovation Projects "Sikorsky Challenge 2021: Ukraine and the World"

Date: August 12 – 14, 2021

Venue: Igor Sikorsky KPI, Kyiv, Peremogy ave., 37

Form of conducting: blended – in-person sessions and synchronous on-line mode

Main events of the Festival:

- Solemn events on the opening of the 10th-anniversary Festival "Sikorsky Challenge 2021: Ukraine and the World" with the participation of representatives of state authorities of Ukraine, representatives of innovation clusters of cities / regions and universities, members of international representations of the Innovation Ecosystem "Sikorsky Challenge", representatives of Ukrainian and international investment funds;
- International Defense Investment Forum of Ukraine;
- Thematic panel discussions;
- Exhibition of startup projects, breakthrough scientific and technical developments, including the latest innovation developments in the defense industry;
- The final of the Competition of Innovation Projects, which will take place in 6 sections:
 - section 1: Defense and security;
 - section 2: Industrial high-tech and space;
 - section 3: Green energy, hydrogen economy, ecology;
 - section 4: Biomedical engineering and human health;
 - section 5: Agricultural engineering;
 - section 6: Information technology, digital country;
- Negotiations between potential investors, high-tech companies, enterprises and teams of startup projects on further cooperation and signing of relevant agreements.

PROGRAM

1st day of the Festival: August 12, 2021

Time	Event
09.30-10.30	Registration of participants in in-person and on-line modes Acquaintance of guests and participants of the Festival with the exhibits of the exhibition of innovation projects
10.30-11.30	Solemn events on the opening of the 10th-anniversary Festival "Sikorsky Challenge 2021: Ukraine and the World"



	Welcome speeches: State leaders Presentation of the All-Ukrainian Innovation Ecosystem "Sikorsky Challenge Ukraine" (SCU), - Greetings from international SCU participants (USA, Israel, Australia, China, Poland, Portugal); - Presentation by the Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine Serhiy Shkarlet of the network of Innovation Clusters of Cities / Regions of Ukraine together with chairmen of City / Region councils, rectors of universities; - Mini-presentations of the best startup projects of regional Innovation Clusters; - Signing of memoranda / agreements on national and international innovation projects, investment agreements, agreements on the establishment of investment funds.
11.30-12.30	International Defense Investment Forum of Ukraine
	Chairman: Oleh Uruskyi, Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine - Minister for Strategic Industries of Ukraine (Ukraine)
	Participants: representatives of public authorities, investors, representatives of high-tech business, the scientific community
12.30-13.00	Break: Press conference, photo session, acquaintance with the exhibits of the exhibition
13.00-14.00	Panel discussion: Innovations in the field of defense and security
	Chairman: Yuriy Gusev, General Director of UkrOboronProm
	Participants: representatives of public authorities, defense companies, investors and representatives of funds.
14.00-15.00	Lunch break
15.00-16.30	Competition of finalist projects
	Introductory speech by the Chairman of the International Jury, presentation of the Jury members
	Section 1: Defense and security
	Pitches of 8 projects
	Moderator: Yuriy Gusev, General Director of UkrOboronProm (Ukraine)
16:30- 17.30	Break: Communication of jury members and investors with the authors of poster presentations
	Negotiations of potential investors, representatives of defense companies with teams of selected projects of Section 1



2nd day of the Festival: August 13, 2021

09.00-10.00	Registration of participants
10.00-11.00	Panel discussion: Capabilities of Ukraine for innovative breakthrough in the fields of industrial high-tech and space
	Chairmen:
	Volodymyr Taftay, Head of the State Space Agency of Ukraine (Ukraine)
	Vic Korsun, Chairman of the International Jury (USA)
	Participants: representatives of high-tech companies; investors; representatives of funds representatives of city / region Innovation clusters.
11.00-11.50	Competition of finalist projects
	Section 2: Industrial high-tech and space
	Pitches of 4 projects
	Moderator: Volodymyr Taftay, Head of the State Space Agency of Ukraine
11.50-12.10	Break. Communication of Jury members and investors with authors of poster presentations.
12.10-13.00	Continuation of Section 2:
	Pitches of 4 projects
	Moderator: Igor Peer, founder of Be Next IT (Israel)
13.00-14.00	Lunch break
14.00-14.45	Panel discussion: "Energy of the future"
	Chairmen:
	Emanuele Volpe, Director of Innovation DTEK (Italy)
	Serhiy Denysiuk, Director of the Institute of Energy Efficiency and Energy Management of Igor Sikorsky KPI (Ukraine)
14.45-16.00	Competition of finalist projects
	Section 3: Green energy, hydrogen economy, ecology
	Pitches of 5 projects
	Moderator: Mykola Kyzym, First Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine (Ukraine)
16.00-16.30	Section 4: Biomedical engineering and human health
	Pitches of 5 projects
	Moderators:



	Borys Todurov, Director of the Heart Institute of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine (Ukraine)
	Vitaliy Maksymenko, Dean of the Faculty of Biomedical Engineering of Igor Sikorsky KPI (Ukraine)
16.30-18.00	Negotiations of potential investors, representatives of defense companies with teams of selected projects of Section 3 and Section 4

3rd day of the Festival: August 14, 2021

Registration of participants
Competition of finalist projects
Section 5: Agricultural engineering
Pitches of 5 projects
Moderators: Serhiy Volodin, Director of the Institute of Innovative Bioeconomics (Ukraine)
Competition of finalist projects
Section 6: Information technology, digital country
Pitches of 5 projects
Moderator: Oleksandr Bornyakov, Deputy Minister of Digital Transformation of Ukraine (Ukraine)
Lunch break.
Negotiations of potential investors, representatives of defense companies with teams of selected projects of Section 5 and Section 6 .
Work of the International Jury and Organizing Committee: summarizing the competition
Closing Ceremony of the X Festival of Innovation Projects "Sikorsky Challenge 2021: Ukraine and the World":
- Announcement of the results of the Competition by the International Jury;
- Awarding diplomas to the teams of the best startup projects;
- Announcement of the results of negotiations between investors and startup project
teams;
- Speeches by guests and participants of the Festival. Photo session.