

National Enterprise Support Awards 2020

APPLICATION FORM

It is important that one consults the Guidelines before filling in the application form.

N.B. This competition is open to those organisations (see Guidelines 1.2.1)
which have an ongoing or recent initiative (see Guidelines 1.1.4)

PART A: GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Applicant's details

Name of participating organisation	
Section in which the organisation is competing (See Guidelines 1.2.1)	Section A* <input type="checkbox"/> <i>(Government Entities such as Ministries, Departments, Local Councils, Public Authorities and Entities and Public-Private Partnerships)</i> Section B <input type="checkbox"/> <i>(e.g. Public and Church Schools, Business Organisations, NGOs, Public Educational Institutions, University of Malta, Trade Unions and Professional Associations)</i>
Postal address	
Email	
Website	
Telephone	
Contact person (name and title)	
Contact person's telephone number	
Contact person's email	

* In Section A if the winner, the runner-up and the winner of a consolation prize (in the event that a consolation prize is awarded) is a Government Entity, the money will be given on the condition that they are given to a recognised charity of the winning organisation's choice.
This condition does not apply to Local Councils and to those who take part in Section B.

PART B: THE INITIATIVE THAT IS BEING SUBMITTED FOR THE COMPETITION

The submissions need to refer to ongoing or recent initiatives (that did not finish before 2016) that had influence on a local or national level and had incremental evolution on a period of at least 15 months.

1. Please tick the award category you would like to be considered for.

(Note: You can apply for one category only. In agreement, with the applicant, the Selection Committee may change the category if deemed necessary).

- 1 - Promoting the Entrepreneurial Spirit**
This recognises initiatives at local or national level that promote an entrepreneurial mindset especially among young people and women. *Examples: Events and campaigns to promote the image of entrepreneurship and entrepreneurs and a culture that encourages creativity, innovation and risk acceptance.*
- 2 - Investing in Entrepreneurial Skills**
This recognises initiatives at local or national level that improve entrepreneurial, managerial and employee skills. *Examples: Promotion of specific skills such as technical skills needed in the craft sector, language capabilities, computer literacy, mobility and mentoring schemes for entrepreneurs, entrepreneurship education in schools and universities.*
- 3 - Improving the Business Environment**
This recognises innovative policies at local or national level that promote enterprise start-up and growth, simplify legislative and administrative procedures for businesses and also implements the "Think Small First" principle in favour of small and medium-sized enterprises. *Examples: Measures to facilitate access to public procurement markets for SMEs, cut red-tape, support the transfer of business ownership, get new small businesses off the ground and help to promote the innovation potential of information and communications technology (ICT) and e-business.*
- 4 - Supporting the Internationalisation of Business**
This recognises policies and initiatives at local or national level that encourage enterprises and particularly small and medium-sized businesses to benefit more from the opportunities offered by markets both inside and outside the European Union. *Examples: Projects to build, maintain and support international business cooperation, information or match-making tools, support services or schemes that help SMEs go abroad.*
- 5 - Supporting the Development of Green Markets and Resource Efficiency**
This recognises policies and initiatives at local or national level that support SME access to green markets and help to improve their resource efficiency through, for example, green skills development and matchmaking as well as funding. *Green markets are those that improve human life and social equity, whilst significantly reducing environmental risks and ecological scarcities.*
- 6 - Responsible and Inclusive Entrepreneurship**
This recognises local or national initiatives by authorities or public/private partnerships that promote corporate social responsibility among small and medium-sized enterprises. This category will also recognise efforts to promote entrepreneurship among disadvantaged groups such as unemployed (especially long-term unemployed), legal migrants, disabled persons or people from ethnic minorities. *Examples: Social or non-profit enterprises serving societal needs through entrepreneurship.*

PART C: INFORMATION ABOUT THE INITIATIVE

This section deals with the initiative: how it is being/was implemented and its benefits.

1. Details of the initiative

Name of the initiative		
<p>If applicable, list all the public and private sector organisations involved in the initiative.</p> <p>In case of public-private partnership arrangement, is it:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A financial agreement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> - A formal agreement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> - An explicit support? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 		
Describe the details of the partnership agreement		
<p>Duration of the initiative (minimum of 15 months)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What date did the initiative start? - What date did the initiative finish? <p><i>(Note: It is possible that the initiative is still ongoing, thus in that case it wouldn't be possible to have a finish date).</i></p>		
Explain what is new and innovative about your initiative and how this isn't being done already.		
<p>What was the overall budget invested in this initiative?</p> <p>Separate and list any reciprocal or human resource investment</p>		
Did you receive European Union funding?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
	If yes, how much?	
	Which type?	

2. Description of the initiative

Provide a detailed description of the initiative, addressing the following key points: situation analysis; challenges; creative solution/business strategy; implementation, stakeholders' involvement, future implementation plan.
(Maximum of 500 words)

PART D: AGREEMENT WITH APPLICANT

As legal representative(s) for this initiative, I/we agree that the initiatives may be submitted for entry in the "National Enterprise Support Awards 2020" and in the eventuality that it is one of the winners, the Initiative could be considered as one of Malta's nominees in the "European Enterprise Promotion Awards 2020". I/we declare that the material submitted in the application is a true and correct reflection of this initiative.

Name(s) of Legal Representative(s)	
Title/Function	
Name of the recognised charity organisation that will benefit in case of winning (applicable only for Section A but excluding Local Councils)	
Date	
Signature(s)	

Note:

By completing this Application, Form, applicants give their consent to the processing of personal data to the extent necessary for the achievement of the purposes mentioned above.

All personal data is collected and processed in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 and all current Data Protection legislation and the Data Protection Policy of the Commerce Department which can be found on www.commerce.gov.mt.

PART E: CONTACT DETAILS AND INFORMATION

Please send the completed and signed application form to:

Selection Committee (Attn: Noel Bartolo)
National Enterprise Support Awards 2020
Commerce Department
Lascaris Bastions, Daħlet Ġnien is-Sultan
Valletta VLT 1933, Malta

or
Email – nesa.commerce@gov.mt
(*Note: Applications should reach the Commerce Department by not later than Friday, 17th April 2020 by noon.*)

Entry rules and Information

- By entering the National Enterprise Support Awards 2020, you agree that in the event your entry is nominated, you will accept to represent Malta in the European Enterprise Promotion Awards 2020 which will be held in **Germany, in November 2020**. In case you do not attend the EEPA ceremony you will not be eligible to participate in the next 2 editions of NESA.
- Eligible entities include ministries, departments, local councils, public authorities and entities, public-private partnerships, NGOs, trade unions, professional associations, public and church schools, public educational institutions, University of Malta and business organisations.
- Nominations of Maltese initiatives that have a cross-border element will be accepted as long as they are nominated jointly by all countries involved.
- Entries will be evaluated against the following criteria (see Guidelines 1.2.3):
 1. **Originality & feasibility:** Why is the initiative a success? What are its innovative aspects?
 2. **Impact on the local economy:** Provision of figures to substantiate success being claimed
 3. **Improvement of local stakeholder relations:** Has more than one interested party benefited from the implementation of this initiative? Why were they involved and what was their level of participation?
 4. **Transferability:** Could the approach be repeated elsewhere around Europe?
- There is no entry fee.
- For information regarding the prize fund, please refer to Guidelines 1.1.4.
- Closing date for the submission of the applications: *Friday, 17th April 2020 by noon*).

(*Note: The application forms can be sent electronically, by hand or by mail addressed to the Selection Committee as indicated above.*)