Eligibility and T&Cs for Stage 2: Santander

Eligibility criteria

- All applicants must be University of Aberdeen students or alumni who have officially graduated within 2 years of the date of submission.
- Applicants can be individuals or groups. There is no limit to a group size but any pitching at events is limited to 2 people.
- Throughout the process applicants must be legally residing within the UK.
- All businesses taking part in the competition must be registered UK companies.
- Applications that are currently in the idea stage must have all intentions of creating a UK registered company.
- All applicants must be at least 18 years of age.
- Students or alumni must own a material share in the business (if already in existence, or once it has been established) and be responsible for the direction and leadership of the organisation. This would normally include holding the title of CEO, Founder or Co-Founder.

Submission criteria

- The University of Aberdeen can submit a maximum of 2 entries into the competition. These entries must be as follows:
  - 1 x Technology business. This entry should have hardware and/or software as fundamental to their value proposition
  - 1 x Non-technology business. This entry should have a value proposition that is not primarily based around hardware and/or software.
- Please note that it is the partner university’s responsibility to make sure that their applications are submitted appropriately into the correct categories. Any application found to be outside of the stated categories may be disqualified.
- If the business is run by individuals from different universities then the plan can be submitted to Santander Universities on behalf of one partner institution only.
- Entries must be submitted to Santander UK by 5pm on 27th April 2018. Any late submissions will not be judged.

General terms

- Santander Universities (a division of Santander UK) reserves the right to withdraw any entry to the competition that is found to be in breach of any of the pre-established conditions and/or rules laid out in this document.
- At least one member of the business must be available to participate in all stages of the competition. Santander Universities reserves the right to remove the business from the competition if this condition is not met.
- Santander Universities will try its best to accommodate any requests to bring in items or prototypes to aid any presentations. If you wish to bring in additional material for the presentations then you must inform us in advance.
- The judges’ decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. Each stage of judging will consist of a minimum of 1 independent judge.
• Any use of, or reference to, Santander UK and/or Santander Universities needs to be signed off by Santander before being published live on the internet.
• Santander reserve the right to change or amend the individuals names on the judging panels and external partners/companies participating in any stage of the event.
• Santander UK and Santander Universities accept no responsibility for any intellectual property rights infringements (including issues relating to third party copyright, design rights, patents, trademarks or trade names) and the revelation of business ideas, processes or products attained during the normal course of the competition.
• All judges and Santander UK staff involved in the competition will be asked to sign confidentiality agreements to make sure Santander UK does its best to protect the businesses involved.
• No responsibility can be accepted for entries not received for any reason nor for entries that are lost, mislaid or illegible.
• Santander UK reserves the right to update or amend these terms and conditions without prior notice at any time.
• Santander reserve the right to amend the regional split of universities for the events in June as well as the right to amend the judging structure.
• Winners will be selected by the judging panel following completion of all finalist pitches. Santander UK will notify successful applicants in person of their success at the official awards ceremony.
• Applicants will be responsible for any costs incurred in the process of the competition unless otherwise agreed with Santander UK or stated in this document. Santander UK will cover travel costs up to £100 for all finalist businesses.
• Prize money will be paid into a UK bank account held in the name of either the business or the winning applicant(s).
• Any personal data relating to the winners or any other entrants will be used solely in accordance with current data protection legislation and won’t be disclosed to a third party without the applicant’s prior consent. We may however work with third parties to supply developmental support as part of the competition.
• Find out more about our data protection policy and how your data will be used by contacting us as santander.universities@santander.co.uk.
• All 6 winning businesses will receive a fully funded intern from Santander as part of the Santander Universities Internship Scheme. Please see https://talent.santander.co.uk/ for more information.
• The competition and these terms and conditions are governed by English law and any disputes will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England.
• By entering this challenge, applicants are indicating their agreement to be bound by these terms and conditions.
• Growth vouchers supplied by Talent Cupboard will be redeemable against the products and services listed on their website. All products provided will be supplied as per their product specifications and terms. See https://www.talentcupboard.com/projects/packs/website for further details. The Digital growth voucher is not cash redeemable.