

## **Guidelines for participation**

- Participant may be an individual or team. Team members must be Indian National.
- Participants should read the problem statement and supporting blogs published in the web page before registration.
- Participants are expected to provide a generic solution to the problem using AI / ML capabilities. NRL's problem statement should be treated as a test case and solution should be designed to be scaled up and customized for any refinery / process plant in the world with different configuration.
- Participants are expected to do a survey of existing solutions to the problem available in the market and benchmark their proposed solution.
- Online applications submitted through NRL iDEATION website will be considered for screening, evaluation and selection.
- Online submission of application will remain open for a limited time only.
- Participant can save his/her application as a draft as many time as he/she wants before submitting final copy of his/her idea(s)
- Applications with *Submitted* status will only be considered for evaluation.
- Selection of the winner may be based on multiple rounds of evaluation including presentation to Jury.
- Multiple sources of funding shall not be allowed to the winning start-up for working on the solution to this problem statement.
- The winning startup will be engaged to work on developing the solution of the problem at NRL. Funding to the start-up will be milestone based for implementation of their solution. Milestones will be decided by the Jury.
- No bought-out technology shall be considered except software and hardware platform provided by NRL.
- The IP rights generated during the process of developing the solution by the winning start-up shall be jointly owned by the start-up and NRL.
- The winning start-up, after successful implementation of the solution at NRL, will be able to build a business model to commercialize / productize their solution and implement at multiple client sites across the globe. The right of first refusal (ROFR) for next stage of funding for commercialisation / scale up will be with NRL.
- Decisions made in respect of this start-up challenge (whether in respect of organisation, management, timeline, rules, regulations and guidance or otherwise) by NRL iDEATION team are final and binding on all participants/ applicants.
- For any query please mail to <a href="mailto:savarna.borpuzari@nrl.co.in">savarna.borpuzari@nrl.co.in</a>