

**Provision on the “Operational Excellence” championship
held within the framework of “Productivity 4.0. Best practices” benchmark congress during the
IPW 2019.**

1. General regulations

This provision defines the goal, objectives, categories of participants and the order of conduct, as well as the conditions and criteria for determining the winners of the “Operational Excellence” Championship (hereinafter – the Championship) during the “Productivity 4.0. Best practices” benchmark congress (hereinafter – the Congress).

2. Championship goals and objectives

2.1. The goals of the Championship are:

- Adding to the knowledge and expertise of the participants, encouraging sharing and exchanging the best experiences and practices in the fields of lean management and operational excellence in various sectors of the economy and municipal and state administration.
- Discovering leaders and lean management experts among the participating MBA schools, companies and organizations.
- Contributing towards the professional career growth of the Championship participants.

2.2. The objectives of the Championship are:

- Conducting a multi-stage assessment of the participants, based on the use of simulation game techniques, allowing to access the true qualities and competencies of the participants.
- Developing participants’ proficiency in the sphere of lean management.
- Creating a communication platform for the participants to share and exchange experiences, facilitating their further development and spreading the best practices among the participants.

2.3. The Championship is based on the following principles:

- openness;
- objectivity;
- transparency.

3. Championship participants, registration fee

3.1. In order to take part in the Championship, the teams have to pay the registration fee for the Championship and the Congress participation fee.

3.2. The registration fee for the participation in the Championship amounts to 1500 euros per team.

4. Championship procedure, criteria for the evaluation of the participants

4.1. The Championship welcomes teams of 7 to 9 participants. The amount of teams participating is no less than 5 and no more than 10.

4.2. During the Championship, the participants will perform various tasks, that are spread over 3 stages:

- business process simulation (assessed based on quantitative and qualitative criteria);
- case solving (evaluated based on creativity, manufacturability and efficiency);
- leaders duel (the leadership and teamwork skills are evaluated).

4.3. According to the results of these 3 stages of the Championship, the First, Second and Third place winning teams will be determined.

4.4. The participants will be evaluated based on the following criteria: managerial efficiency, knowledge and skills relevant to process optimization and achieving operational excellence, human capital development, leadership qualities and teamwork skills demonstrated during the completion of the Championship tasks.

4.5. The Championship winners will be determined by an international panel of jury, consisting of 5 judges and lead by an Arbitrator.

5. Award ceremony, publication of the results of the Championship

5.1. Championship winners will be awarded with certificates and medals, respective to their ranking (First, Second or Third place).

5.2. All Championship participants will receive certificates of participation.

5.3. The results of the Championship will be published on the website, as well as on the official materials of the Congress, and will be sent out to the partners and media.

The Championship partners are welcome to allocate additional prizes for the winners and participants. Additional information will be available on the website of IPW 2019.