

Narwhal Challenge 2025 Regulations

Organized by Campus mondial de la mer

The **Narwhal Challenge**, organized by **Campus mondial de la mer**, aims to promote innovation and collaboration in the fields of maritime activities and marine bioresources. This competition offers participants the chance to discover the French market and engage with key players in the maritime ecosystem in Brittany, through site visits and professional meetings.

Article 1 - Objective

The Narwhal Challenge aims to showcase innovative projects in the fields of maritime activities and marine bioresources, while fostering exchanges with industry stakeholders. The winners will have the opportunity to undergo a "softlanding" in France and explore opportunities for collaboration and development in the maritime sector.

Article 2 - Eligibility Criteria

To participate in the Narwhal Challenge, candidates must meet the following conditions:

1. **Status:** candidates can be startups or established companies engaged in the field of droning of maritime activities or marine bioresources.
2. **Location:** participants must be able to travel to France between 13 and 16 October 2025
3. **Participation fees:** participation in the challenge is free of charge. The organisers will cover
 - a. travel expenses up to a maximum of **€500 inc. VAT** for one (1) person per winning organisation (refundable on presentation of invoice).
 - b. 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 3 dinners for one (1) person per winning organisation.
 - c. accommodation for 4 nights at a hotel selected by the organiser for one (1) person per winning organisation.
4. **Language:** presentations and interactions must be conducted in either English or French.

Article 3 - Application

Candidates must submit their application online through the [questionnaire](#) available on the official Campus mondial de la mer website. The application deadline is 23 June 2025

Article 4 - Selection of Candidates

The jury, composed of representatives from the following organizations:

- [Technopôle Brest-Iroise](#)
- [Brest Métropole](#)

- [Blue Valley - Pays de Morlaix](#)
- [Pôle Mer Bretagne Atlantique](#)
- [Technopole Quimper-Cornouaille](#)
- [Village by CA](#)
- [World Trade Center - CCI Finistère](#)

will convene after the closing of the application period to evaluate the applications.

The selection criteria will be based on:

- Innovation and relevance of the project to the field
- Potential for development and collaboration with French and European stakeholders
- Viability and socio-economic impact of the project

The results will be announced **at the beginning of July**. A maximum of 6 start-ups will be selected

Article 5 - Narwhal Challenge Program

The event will take place over several days in Brittany, France, with site visits and meetings with local experts. The immersion will take place across the Finistère region, with visits tailored to each winner based on a pre-approved program. This program will be published on the website and is subject to final approval by the hosting organizations, as well as to prevailing safety regulations at the time of the event.

Article 6 - Responsibilities of participants

Participants agree to:

- Adhere to the event dates and schedule
- Actively participate in presentations and networking sessions
- Ensure the quality of their presentations and respect confidentiality and intellectual property guidelines

Article 7 - Final provisions

Campus mondial de la mer reserves the right to modify this regulation at any time and to cancel the event in the event of force majeure.

By participating in the Narwhal Challenge, each applicant accepts the full terms of this regulation. The jury's decisions are final and not subject to appeal.

Article 8 - Contact

For any questions or additional information, please contact:

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