

Innovation, Tech & Culture Summer School

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SELECTION AND PARTICIPATION

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INTRODUCTION

These Terms (hereinafter referred to as “Terms”) apply to applicants (“Applicants”) and participants (“Participants”) in the Innovation, Tech & Culture Summer School (“Summer School”). Please carefully read the following Terms & Conditions of Selection and Participation (“Terms”) before applying to or participating in the Summer School, organized by ARIONA HELLAS S.A. (through ONASSIS ONX team) and ACE (Athens Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation) of the Athens University of Economics and Business (“Organisers”). By submitting an application, you acknowledge that you have read, understood, and unconditionally agree to all of these Terms.

If you do not agree with any of these Terms, please refrain from applying to the Summer School.

DESCRIPTION AND DURATION

1. Summer School is a 12-day Summer School, designed to empower emerging artists, creative technologists and entrepreneurs and inspire innovative thinking to disrupt social norms, business operations and traditional practices with the use of digital arts and GenAI tools.
2. The Summer School is organized by Onassis ONX, the global new media & digital culture Summer School of Onassis Foundation, and ACE (Athens Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation).
3. The Summer School is implemented in partnership with Tandon School of Engineering - New York University and the Department of Product and Systems Design Engineering – University of the Aegean. The partners of the program participate as tutors and mentors in the Summer School and can promote the program to their community.
4. The Summer School is organized in the context of European Digital Deal. This project has been co-funded by the European Union's Creative Europe program. Views and opinions expressed on this page are those of the author(s) only and do not necessarily reflect those of the European Union or the European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA). Neither the European Union nor the European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) can be held responsible for them. It is intended for emerging creators, young entrepreneurs and creative developers/technologists.
5. Participation to the Summer School will be in person.
6. The Summer School will be hosted at the premises of the Athens Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation of the Athens University of Economics and Business (Troias 2, 113 62, Athens Greece) and at Stegi Onassis (107-109 Syngrou Avenue 11745 Athens).
7. The Summer School will take place from 10-22 July, 2024, in the following slots:
 - a. W 10/07 – 17:00-21:00, Athens
 - b. F 12/07 – 17:00-21:00, Athens
 - c. S 13/07 – 10:00 – 19:00, Athens
 - d. M 15/07 – 17:00-21:00, Athens
 - e. W 17/07 – 17:00-21:00, Athens
 - f. F 19/07 – 17:00-21:00, Athens
 - g. S 20/07 – 10:00 – 19:00, Athens
 - h. M 22/07 – 14:30 – 20:30, Athens
8. The Summer School includes the following:
 - a. Expert guidance by Academia Member of 3 esteemed Universities (Athens University of Economics and Business, in partnership with the New York University Tandon School of Engineering and the Department of Product and

Systems Design Engineering of the University of the Aegean) and visiting lecturers.

- b. Expert mentoring and guidance for works-in-progress by tutors and guest speakers.
- c. Opportunity to develop your own project.
- d. Networking & Collaboration opportunities.

ELIGIBILITY & CANCELLATION OF PARTICIPATION

1. The Summer School is open to thirty (30) participants from different disciplines and backgrounds.
2. The Summer School is addressed to individuals over 18 years olds residing in Greece.
3. Prior experience in design, business administration and information and knowledge of design, AI or other tools is highly appreciated, though not required. Applicants must submit their CV and/or a sample of their previous works and demonstrate interest in participating in the Summer School.
4. There is no requirement for formal academic degrees of the Applicants and there are no age restrictions for Applicants.
5. The Organisers may cancel the participation of an individual in the Summer School at any stage if it is determined that the applicant is not eligible to participate, or the Terms are not met and Selection Criteria. In addition, participation may be cancelled at any stage for any of the following reasons: a) if the Terms, all of which are considered essential, are not met, b) if the Participants do not fully accept these Terms and the Privacy Notice, c) if for any reason it is not possible to contact the Participants at any time, d) if their conduct or actions of the Participants substantially impedes the smooth conduct of the Summer School.
6. The Organisers may cancel entries that are in any way in breach of these Terms, as well as entries with content that is illegal, pornographic, violent, misleading, threatening, abusive, defamatory, racist, or vulgar, or generally contrary to applicable law, including intellectual and industrial property law, morality, the right to privacy and public order.

APPLICATION AND PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Participation in the Summer School cumulatively requires:
 - a. that those interested in participating are eligible to participate, based on what formerly described
 - b. that those interested in participating will submit their application via the official portal of the Onassis Foundation website, through an online application until the 11th of June 2024, at 12:00 noon, UTC+2. Applications received by any other means and/or submitted after the deadline will not be accepted and evaluated.
 - c. that the applicant unconditionally accepts and follows these Terms and the Privacy Notice and consent for the collection and processing of their personal data in the context and for the purposes of the Summer School, as described in detail in the Privacy Notice
 - d. that the application will be filled in English, containing all the necessarily required information
 - e. the ability to communicate seamlessly with the applicant throughout the application period and during the Summer School
 - f. the commitment on behalf of the applicant for attending in person in person the 10-day Summer School, as detailed in section 2
 - g. the unconditional declaration of the applicant when submitting the Application Form that the material submitted through the Application Form are original, and constitute in their entirety their exclusive intellectual property
2. Each Applicant may submit only one (1) application. In the case of multiple applications, the first application only will be taken into consideration.

APPLICATION FORM

In the online application form, Applicants are asked to provide:

- Personal & Contact Details:
 - First Name*
 - Last Name*
 - Date of Birth
 - Email Address*
 - Phone number*

- Personal Info
 - Level of Education (currently enrolled or highest level attained) *
 - Field of Studies*
 - How many years of professional experience do you have? *
 - Current Occupation/Role*
 - City of Residency*
 - Personal or Business Website/ Social Media
 - Pronouns*

All applicants are asked to answer the following obligatory questions:

- **Why are you interested in participating in the Summer School? Do you have any specific idea that you plan to explore during and after the Summer School? ***
(max. 150 words) – 750 characters
- **Describe any previous projects or experiences where you have applied your skills in innovative or interdisciplinary contexts. *** (max. 100 words) – 600 characters
- **Attach here your short (max. 2 pages) CV/ Portfolio in English (pdf document)***
(Single file, PDF file format)
- **Are you committed to participating actively in all workshops, discussions, and collaborative activities throughout the entire Summer School (10-20 July)? ***
Notice: Full participation is a **prerequisite** for this year’s Summer School. By selecting no, your application will be reviewed but not accepted in this year’s Summer School.
Transportation & accommodation costs in Athens will not be covered.
Yes
No

(Questions marked by “*” are obligatory)

SELECTION PROCESS

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1. The selection for the Summer School will be done in two (2) phases.
2. **PHASE I: SCREENING**
 - 2.1 Here, each application will be received and initially reviewed by an Ariona team member. The reviewer reviews all applications in order to ensure that the eligibility criteria stated in the present Terms are fulfilled.

2.2 More specifically, the reviewer assesses (**eligibility criteria**):

- i. All required fields are correctly filled in.
- ii. The Applicant is committed to fully attend physically the Summer School
- iii. Applicant's commitment to actively participate in all workshops, discussions, and activities during the aforementioned time period.
- iv. Acceptance of the present Terms & Conditions and Privacy Notice of the Summer School.

3. PHASE II: SHORTLISTING

- 3.1 In Phase II, the chosen applications, including the requested supporting materials, will be reviewed in detail by expert members of the Ariona team and ACE team.
4. ARIONA is responsible to collect all submissions and give access to team members of ACE as evaluators. The final selection is made jointly, based on the selection criteria as described below.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Clarity of intent and motivation alignment with Summer School's objectives.
- Previous relevant experience (proven by submitted CV and/or portfolio)
- Feasibility and potential impact of how the applicant plans to apply the knowledge and skills gained from the Summer School in its current or future projects.
- Quality, creativity, and relevance of the submitted portfolio (if applicable)
- Overall potential impact of the applicant's participation on their work and contribution to the Summer School's community.

It is expressly stated herein that:

1. The criteria set out above shall all be taken into account jointly by the Organizers (i.e. Onassis ONX (Ariona) and ACE)
2. The Organizing team is under no obligation to communicate the reasoning behind its choices or with regards to proposals that are rejected.
3. Once the results have been announced, there shall be no re-evaluation of the submissions, and there can be no appeals.
4. Each selected participant will be informed **by June 19th, 2024**.
5. After the announcement of the selection results, selected Applicants must confirm their participation through completing an online participation form by the 21th of June, 12:00.

6. No or delayed completion of the form gives the right to the Organisers to consider the application as withdrawn.
7. In case a selected Applicant confirms his/her participation by any other means, the Organisers reserve the right to terminate participant's involvement in the Summer School.

ACCESSIBILITY, INCLUSIVITY AND FAIR SELECTION

1. Summer School is firmly committed to fostering a **diverse, inclusive, and equitable environment** where everyone is welcome to apply and participate. We strongly believe in the value of diversity and inclusivity for fostering innovation, creativity, and a positive community.
2. **Equal Opportunity:** We ensure equal opportunity for all applicants without regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, disability status, genetic information, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected under applicable law. Our selection process is designed to be transparent, objective, and free from bias.
3. **Fair Selection Process:** Our selection criteria are based on relevant qualifications, experience, skills, and other Summer School-specific requirements. We are committed to conducting a fair, transparent, and unbiased selection process to identify the most suitable candidates for our Summer School.
4. **Accessibility and Accommodation:** We strive to make our application and selection processes accessible to everyone. Applicants with disabilities are encouraged to apply, and reasonable accommodations will be made to ensure they can participate fully in the application and selection process.
5. **Continuous Improvement:** We are dedicated to continuously improving our practices to enhance inclusivity and equity. We welcome feedback from our applicants and participants on how we can better achieve these goals.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, CONFIDENTIALITY AND PUBLICATION RIGHTS

1. Applicants retain full ownership over their prior information and intellectual property rights. By submitting their application, Applicants represent and warrant that they hold ownership of or have legally obtained a relevant license (in writing) to use all elements provided/submitted as part of their application and that the provided materials and information do not infringe any intellectual or other property rights, including patents, of any other persons, companies, or entities. Elements of the application that are based on rights held by others, such as patents, must be marked as such in the application.

2. The participants bear sole and full responsibility towards the Organisers and any third party for the material they submit and for the accuracy of the information they declare.

In the event that any third-party claim is brought against the Organisers related to copyright or other intellectual property right infringement, the Participants are solely responsible and obliged to reimburse the Organisers for any amount they will be required to pay to the third parties as compensation, including the relevant legal costs and expenses of any kind.

3. The submission of the proposal does not constitute any transfer of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) to the Organisers. Intellectual Property developed by Participants during the Summer School is retained by the respective Participant, unless otherwise agreed to in writing.
4. The Organisers will discuss, evaluate, share and in general process the information that you provide solely for the purposes and in the manner that are identified herein, namely for the purpose of reviewing and selecting Participants to the Summer School under the present Terms & Conditions. However, please refrain from including any proprietary or confidential information in your application.
5. Your application to the Summer School does not create any kind of relationship between you and any of the Organisers, other than your agreement to this site's Terms of Use, and you won't receive any compensation for your application.

PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION

For information on the processing of personal data in the context of the Summer School, please refer to the Privacy Notice that is attached herein.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. By submitting their application form, Applicants agree to the present Terms, which form part of their submission.
2. The Organisers reserve the right to amend these Terms at any time in the future.
3. The Organizers reserve the right to change the dates and/or cancel the Summer School. In this case, there will be a relevant announcement on the Website, and the Organizers will make every reasonable effort to facilitate the needs of the accepted applicants/participants
4. You may withdraw your application at any time by informing us by email at any time by the 21st of June, 12:00.

5. The Organisers reserve the right to terminate a participant's involvement in the Summer School for failure to comply any with these Terms.
6. Participants of the Summer School might be subject to a formal ex-post impact assessment within five years after the end of the Summer School (July 2024). This is to determine the impact of the Summer School's outputs.
7. Information about the Summer School as well as news and updates will be provided exclusively through the Summer School's Website.

Dispute Resolution – Applicable Law

1. In case of disagreement, controversy or dispute regarding the interpretation or correct application of the terms contained herein, the Participants will address before any legal action to a three-member committee consisting of representatives of the Organizers, which will make an effort to compromise, amicably resolve the dispute.
2. Any controversy, dispute or disagreement that has not been resolved amicably during the above procedure and arises from or relates to these terms, shall be resolved exclusively by the courts of Athens (excluding any other jurisdiction even concurrent) in accordance with Greek law.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 11, 2024

Deadline for submission of all applications (no exceptions). All applications must be submitted no later than 12:00 noon (Coordinated Universal Time, UTC+2). The Open Call online platform will go offline after the specified time and no exceptions will be made for any applicant for any reason.

June 19, 2024

All selected Participants are informed by e-mail.

June 21, 2024

Participants must confirm their participation. Course Materials will be sent to confirmed participants.

July 10 – July 22, 2024

Summer School takes place in Athens.

INFORMATION AND COMPLAINTS

If you have any questions about the application or the Summer School, please email digital@onassis.org and/or Anastasia Mavrogianni, Innovation & Community Events Coordinator (amavrogianni@onassis.org) (Office hours: Monday to Friday, 10:00-18:00 UTC+2).