

How to apply in two steps



- Online application form Fill in the questionnaire to give us some general information
- Pitch deck At the end of the questionnaire you need to upload your pitch deck.

Deadline:

20th November 2023, 11:59 PM CET





How to convince Us



CUSTOMIZE YOUR PITCH DECK

Don't send a standardized pitch deck. Instead, tailor it based on our guidelines - this will increase your chances of success!

FOCUS YOUR MESSAGE

What problems are your customers struggling with and what solution do you offer?

TELL YOUR STORY

Use numbers and data to tell your story. Visualize the key facts and figures and give us clear examples.

KEEP IT SHORT AND SIMPLE

Don't let your message get lost – two slides per topic should be the maximum.



APPLICATION CRITERIA There are a few requirements for startups who want to apply



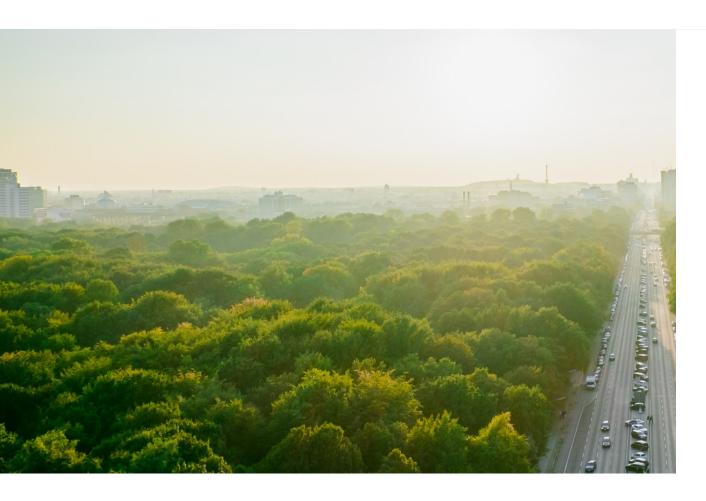
- Summary of your Idea
- Product / Service / Technology
- Team
- **Business Model**
- **Customers & Market**

- **Financials**
- Targets & Milestones
- **Current Status**
- **Contact Details**



1 Summary of your idea





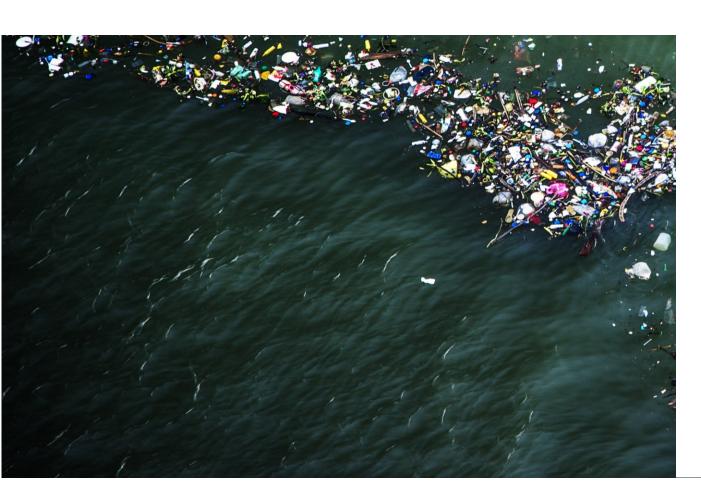
Introduce your business idea

- Which problem do you solve with your idea?
- What is the story behind it?
- How does your idea relate to the circular economy?



2 Product / Service / Technology





Describe your product, technology or service

- What do you offer?
- What is your USP?
- Do you have a demo, prototype or mock-up?
- What is the added value and benefit for potential customers?









Introduce your founder/s

Who are your founders and which professional background do they have

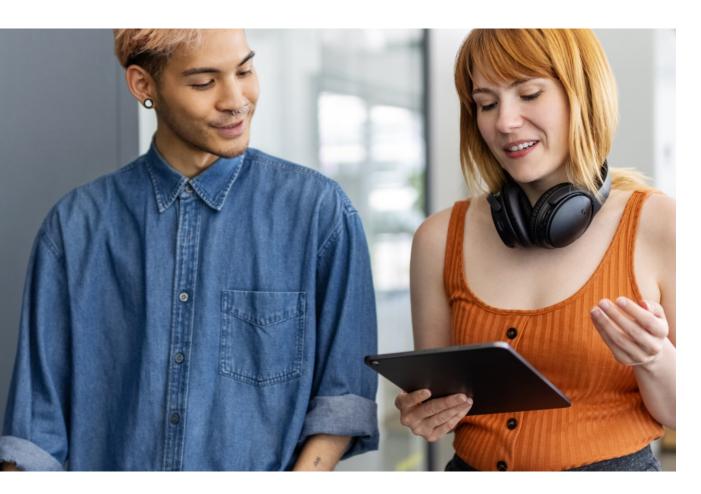
Explain us what makes your team unique

- What are the skills of your team members?
- Which further skills are needed?
- Which other resources are needed?
- Have you ever received any professional support or taken part in programmes (e.g. accelerator, coaching etc.)?



4 Business Model





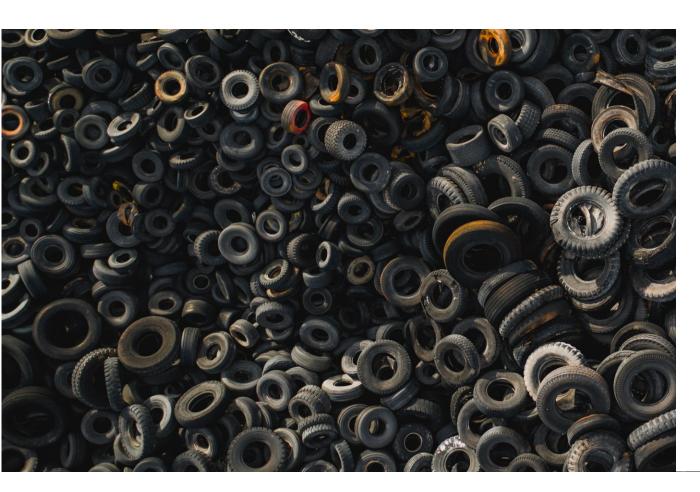
Explain your business model

- How will you generate profit?
- What sales and marketing channels do you have and what is your strategy?
- How scalable is your business model?
- Have you already earned money with your business?



CUSTOMERS & MARKET





Estimate your market potential

- Who is your target group?
- Who are your competitors?
- What are the risks and opportunities?
- Which legal restrictions do you have to face?
- Which legal restrictions prevent you from bringing your idea on the market or expanding into other countries?



FINANCIALS





State your financial performance based on customers/units, reasonable market penetration, realistic margins and scalability

- What investments are planned and needed?
- Have there already been any investments, grants or subsidies?



TARGETS & MILESTONES





Describe the milestones you have achieved

- What key performance indicators (KPI) did you define and which of them have you already achieved?
- What is your biggest success so far?

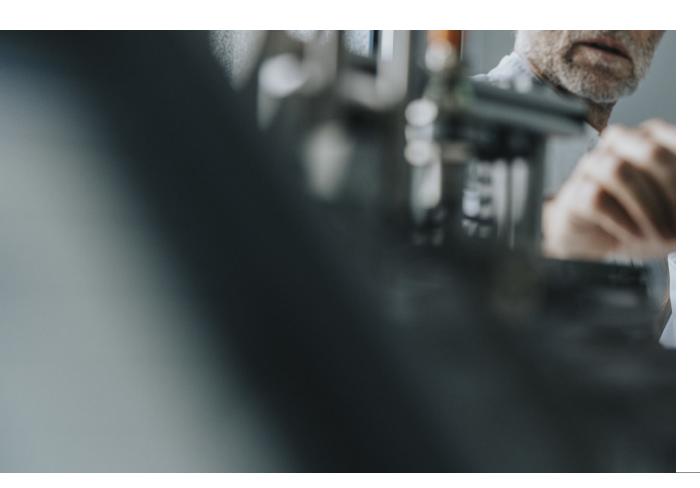
Tell us about your planned objectives

- What are your next steps?
- What are the challenges?
- What will you need to move forward?



CURRENT STATUS





Explain where you stand right now

- What startup stage are you in? (Seed, Startup, Growth, Expansion, Maturity)
- Do you have an elaborated business plan?
- Which legal form does your company have?
- When was your business founded?



CONTACT DETAILS





In case more information is needed, please provide us contact details of the person in charge

- Forename and surname
- Email address
- Phone number
- Address and country



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