COP26 CLIMATE LEADER COMPETITION

University of Sussex COP26 Climate Leader Competition Terms and Conditions

1. The competition

- 1.1 The competition is open to all students enrolled at the University of Sussex ("the University") at the date of launch ("Entrants").
- 1.2 Entrants must show outstanding leadership in the run up to and after the UN Climate Change (COP26) to be held in November 2021. Examples of providing climate leadership include but are not limited to:
 - (a) your personal contribution as an activist, influencer, organiser, or innovator;
 - (b) lobbying local businesses or organisations to make sustainable choices e.g. someone lobbied local supermarkets to persuade them stop using plastic period products and got them to support a pledge about this;
 - (c) leading climate activism or starting student-led campaigns e.g. a Sussex SU student-led campaign led the local Youth Strike for Climate marches;
 - (d) start a sustainability/climate focused society e.g. Leave No Trace and Scoop;
 - (e) encouraging others to sign up to pledges;
 - (f) raising awareness e.g through education, outreach, social media etc;
 - (g) engaging volunteers;
 - (h) forming partnerships with local charities and community groups;
 - (i) promoting corporate social responsibility around climate; and
 - (j) engaging in democratic processes like youth parliaments.
- 1.3 Three winning entries will be selected via a panel and announced at a live event in Spring 2022, further details will be announced.

2. How to enter

2.1 The competition will be open for entries from Monday 1 November 2021 (the "date of launch") until midnight on 1 February 2022 (the "Closing Date") inclusive.

- 2.2 Entrants must submit a fully completed Application form by the Closing Date online at https://student.sussex.ac.uk/experience/sustainability/competition. All competition entries received after the Closing Date are automatically disqualified.
- 2.3 The Application form is available via the link above and as a downloadable copy, together with further information, and these terms and conditions on the *competition* website.
- 2.4 The University will **not** accept responsibility for competition entries that are lost, mislaid, damaged or delayed in entry or submission, regardless of cause, including, for example, as a result of any equipment failure, technical malfunction, systems, satellite, network, server, computer hardware or software failure of any kind.
- 2.5 By submitting a competition entry, you are agreeing to be bound by these terms and conditions. It is your responsibility to ensure that your entry complies with any relevant data protection requirements and that your referee consents for their personal data to be shared in the application form.
- 2.6 For help with entries, please contact the sustainability team at sustainable @sussex.ac.uk or see https://student.sussex.ac.uk/experience/sustainability.
- 2.7 The competition entries will be shortlisted by a panel of communications and sustainability professionals (the "Panel") selecting the best three (3) entries based on the objective and terms in conditions 1.2 and 1.3.
- 2.8 The decision of the panel acting reasonably, and selection of the shortlist, will be final and no appeals will be allowed. Names of the panel can be viewed on the *competition* website.
- 2.9 Shortlisted Entrants will be notified by 01 March 2022. If you have not been contacted by this date, your entry has not been shortlisted.
- 2.10 Shortlisted Entrants' contributions to the community as a climate leader will be showcased at a live event on Campus in Spring 2022. The winners will be announced live at the event.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1 The competition is only open to all students enrolled at the University at the date of launch and are limited to one per student. Team entries consisting of more than one student are not permitted and will be disqualified.
- 3.2 The University will not accept competition entries that are:

- (a) untrue or inaccurate;
- (b) automatically generated by computer;
- (c) illegible, have been altered, reconstructed, forged or tampered with; or
- (d) are not original pieces of work.
- 3.3 Competition entries cannot be returned.

4. The prize

- 4.1 Following the decision of the Panel three cash prizes of £3,000.00 will be awarded to the three chosen Entrants.
- 4.2 Winning Entrants will be contacted by the University for personal payment details within 48 hours of the live event and prizes will be paid within twenty eight days (28) days of the live event.
- 4.3 In addition, the winning Entrants hereby agree with the University to promote and disseminate their experience of being a COP26 Climate Leader by way of celebratory posts with quotations or links to the content of their Application Form on the University's social media channels and a feature in a student news article on the Student Hub, also linked in the University 'Update for students'.
- 4.4 The University will publish the winning entry surnames and relevant schools of study and the winning entries on the University website. If you object to any or all of your surname, school of study or winning entry being published or made available, please contact the sustainability team at **Sustainable@sussex.ac.uk** prior to publication. In some circumstances, the University may still be required to provide the information and winning entry upon lawful request.

5. Limitation of liability

Insofar as is permitted by law, the University will not in any circumstances be responsible or liable to compensate any Entrant or accept any liability for any loss, damage, personal injury or death occurring as a result of entering the competition or taking up the prize except where it is caused by the negligence of the University. Your statutory rights are not affected.

6. Ownership of competition entries and intellectual property rights

- 6.1 The University does not claim any rights of ownership in your competition entry.
- 6.2 By submitting your entry, you agree that the University may, but is not required to, make your entry or further information that you provide available on its <u>website</u> and any other

media including social media platforms, whether now known or invented in the future, and in connection with any publicity of the competition or the winning entries. You agree to grant the University a non-exclusive, worldwide, irrevocable licence, for the full period of any intellectual property rights in the competition entry and accompanying details provided in the Application Form, to use, display, publish, transmit, copy, edit, store, reformat and sub-licence the competition entry and any accompanying details for such purposes.

7. Data protection and publicity

- 7.1 The competition will involve the processing of personal data of Entrants, including name, contact details, student number, course of study, year of study, and, for winning Entrants, payments details. See also condition 2.10 with regard to showcasing shortlisted entrants' contributions to the community as a climate leader in Spring 2022, and condition 4 with regard to announcement and promotion of winning entries.
- 7.2 The competition will involve the processing of personal data of Referees, including name and contact details. Personal data will be processed in accordance with the UK data protection legislation and the University's Data Protection Policy. See also condition 2.5 with regard to referee consent for the inclusion of their personal data.

8. General

- 8.1 If there is any reason to believe that there has been a breach of these terms and conditions, the University may, at its sole discretion, exclude you from participating in the competition.
- 8.2 The University reserves the right to hold void, suspend, cancel, or amend the prize or the competition where it becomes necessary to do so.
- 8.3 These terms and conditions shall be governed by English law, and the parties submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.