



## THE CROSSROAD OF INNOVATION

*JCI is excited to announce that for the first time in JCI's history, we will be hosting the JCI World Public Speaking Championship virtually during the 2020 JCI World Congress!*

*As enterprising young leaders, we will rise to overcome the current challenges the pandemic is presenting and transform them to an exciting new online speaking format!*

### PRELIMINARY ROUND | WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Contestants should reference the Public Speaking Toolkit, which provides an overview of the criterias that judges will be looking for and assessing when viewing these speeches.
- Speeches must be between 5 and 7 minutes in total time. Speeches lasting less than 5 or more than 7 minutes will be disqualified.
- Preliminary contestants will be pre-recording their speeches and submitting the recorded video for the judges to view! Videos must be submitted by 10 October 2020 to Events Manager Maren Eriksen-Russo at meriksen-russo@jci.cc.
- Videos must be submitted in a single take, no editing. We recommend using a timer as you record your speech, or if your area allows you to record your speech in front of an audience, to ask for a timekeeper.
- By submitting recorded speeches to the competition, all persons concede and permit JC to use footage of speeches at any time. JCI will incorporate all recorded speeches into the 2020 JCI Online World Congress, during the week of November 3-7.
- Three esteemed judges, per area will be selected with the assistance of the Vice Presidents chairing the Public Speaking event. These judges will view submitted video speeches, provide their scores and choose a winner from each area to move forward into the Final Public Speaking World Championship round.
- The first round of preliminary judging will begin on 17 October 2020 with the announcement of the winners from each area to take place no later than 20 October.

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### CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND | WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Final Championship contestants from each of the four areas will compete in the final round live and in front of judges on Zoom Meetings, on the 24 or 25 of October.
- The final round will be recorded for the inclusion in the 2020 World Congress. By agreeing to take part in the final public speaking round, all persons concede and permit to be recorded, allowing JCI to use the footage of speeches at any time. JCI will incorporate the recorded final competition round into the JCI RISE VIP Online Congress Program, during the week of November 3-7.
- The JCI Public Speaking Championship winner will be announced during the JCI Awards Ceremony on 6 November 2020.



#### ***When will the public speaking topics be available?***

The public speaking survey will be made available to members beginning in the last week of September! Members will have the chance to voice their opinions on their favorite topics, and the announcement of the selected topics will take place on 4 October.



#### ***When will my recorded speech need to be submitted for the preliminary rounds?***

Videos must be submitted by 10 October 2020 to Events Manager Maren Eriksen-Russo at [meriksen-russo@jci.cc](mailto:meriksen-russo@jci.cc). Recorded videos will be compiled and judges will view these speeches during a private Zoom meeting. A recorded version of the meeting, with all speeches, will be made available for viewing during the online World Congress program!



#### ***Can I edit my video?***

All videos must be submitted in their unedited form in order to be eligible for the competition. This means that your video should be recorded in one take, without any cuts, additions, special effects, audio changes or music.



#### ***How will the final round of competition work?***

The final round of competition will take place on either the 24 or 25 of October, depending on the timezones and schedules of our final four contestants! These participants will compete in real time on a Zoom platform where judges will be able to view your speech as you present, with a timekeeper providing you with time updates. This private Zoom call will be recorded and made available for viewing during the Online World Congress program in November.