

FUTURE ENGINEERS START HERE

Terms and conditions

“Future Engineers Start Here” – a meviy Student Engineering Challenge

These Terms and Conditions (the “Terms”) govern participation in “Future Engineers Start Here” (the “Program”), a pilot educational and manufacturing-support challenge for engineering students, organised by *MISUMI Europa GmbH* a MISUMI Group (“Organizer”). By submitting an application, an applicant confirms that they have read, understood, and agree to be bound by these Terms in full. Applicants who do not agree to these Terms should not apply.

1. Program overview

“Future Engineers Start Here” is a pilot programme through which the Organizer’s meviy platform offers free access to manufacturability feedback and Computer Numerical Control manufacturing support to engineering students in in European Union, European Economic Area, United Kingdom and Switzerland (collectively, “Eligible European Countries”). The Program has two purposes:

- To give students first-hand experience of professional manufacturing feedback on a real, self-designed engineering component — feedback that engineering students in EU typically only receive through rejected drawings, rather than through direct explanation.
- To introduce students to the meviy platform, the instant-quotation manufacturing service already used across MISUMI Group's aerospace, automotive, and industrial customer base.

The Program is the European pilot of an education-support model that MISUMI Group has run in Japan since June 2025, where student teams already use meviy for competition and research components. This is the first time the model has been offered to European students.

Participation is free. No purchase, 2D drawing, or company account is required to apply.

Applicants submit a 3D CAD model of a real engineering project for review. Entries are judged against the published criteria set out in Section 4. Three prize tiers are awarded in the form of manufacturing credit vouchers, redeemable on the meviy platform (see Section 6 for full details):

Placing	Prize	Form
1st place	€1,500	meviy manufacturing credit voucher
2nd place	€750	meviy manufacturing credit voucher
3rd place	€500	meviy manufacturing credit voucher

The Program runs for approximately six weeks. Indicative dates are set out in Section 3. The Organizer may amend the scope, duration, or content of the Program at any time; see Section 8.

2. Eligibility

To apply, an applicant must, at the time of application:

- Be officially enrolled as a student at an accredited university or higher-education institution located in the Eligible European Countries.
- Be officially enrolled in their final year of undergraduate degree programme, or be enrolled in a bachelor, or master’s degree programme, in mechanical engineering, manufacturing engineering, robotics, or a closely related discipline.
- Be able to provide proof of their enrolment status. This status is self-declared at the point of application. The Organizer may request evidence of enrolment (for example, a student ID or written confirmation from the applicant's institution) at any stage, including before finalising results. The Organizer may verify that the eligibility requirements continue to be met before finalising the results. If an applicant no longer meets the eligibility requirements at that stage, the Organizer may disqualify the application.

An applicant may apply as an individual, or as the authorized representative of a university engineering society, robotics club, or similar student team (“Student Organization”) submitting a joint entry. In the case of a joint entry, each individual member of the Student Organization whose work or contribution is included in the Application shall satisfy all eligibility requirements set out in this Terms. See Section 7 for the rule on one application per applicant or organisation.

This pilot is being run in partnership with a limited number of university engineering societies and robotics clubs.

Employees of MISUMI Group companies, and their immediate family members, are not eligible to apply.

The Organizer reserves the right to verify eligibility at any stage of the Program and to decline or withdraw an application that does not meet these criteria.

3. Application period & method

Timeline

Phase	Dates
Applications open	1 October 2026
Applications close	1 December 2026, 23:59 CET
Judging period	Mid-December 2026
Results announced	Mid-December 2026

The Organizer may extend, shorten, or otherwise adjust these dates at any time; see Section 8. Any change to the timeline will be published on the Program landing page.

How to apply

Applicants shall submit their application via the official Program landing page. The application form, together with all information and materials submitted in connection with the application, is collectively referred to as “Application”. The Application shall include:

- A complete the application form, providing accurate contact details (name, institution, email address, and any other information requested).
- A 3D CAD model (for example, in STEP format) of a real, self-designed engineering component or project.
- A short written description of the project, the design intent, and the manufacturing challenge or feedback being sought.

No 2D drawing, company account, or prior manufacturing experience is required to apply. Applicants shall represent and warrant that they have all rights, licences, permissions, and authorisations to submit the design files. Applicants shall further represent and warrant that the files do not contain any confidential information belonging to a third party (for example, an employer or research sponsor) that the Applicants are not authorised to disclose.

4. Selection criteria

Entries are evaluated by two judges from the meviy engineering and product team, against a published 100-point scoring rubric set out in the table below. An “Entry” consists of the 3D CAD model, the short written description of the project and its design intent, and any other materials submitted as part of an Application for judging.

Scoring dimension	Points available
Technical core (manufacturability, feasibility, and design intent) • Scoring dimension 1 — manufacturability engagement • Scoring dimension 2 — technical ambition & distinctiveness • Scoring dimension 3 — real-world relevance	70 of 100
Human dimension (communication and engagement with the process) • Scoring dimension 4 — curiosity & spirit of challenge	30 of 100

Each judge scores every eligible entry independently. Before any results are announced, the Organizer confirms that each of the top three ranked entries meets the eligibility criteria in Section 2 and complies with these Terms. Judging decisions are made at the Organizer's sole discretion and are final. The Organizer does not enter into correspondence about individual scores.

5. Selection results

- Winners are notified directly, using the contact details supplied in their application, in mid-December 2026.

- Results are also published on the official Program landing page and may be shared on meviy's social media and PR channels.

Winners must respond to confirm acceptance within 7 *working* days of notification, and shall provide any further information reasonably requested by the Organizer to process the prize (for example, confirmation of enrolment or voucher redemption details). If a winner does not respond within this period, the prize may be forfeited and the Organizer may select an alternate winner from the ranked entries.

Winners may be invited to provide a short testimonial about their experience of the Program. Providing a testimonial is optional and is not a condition of receiving the prize. Where a testimonial is provided, the Organizer will only use it in marketing or PR materials with the winner's separate, explicit permission.

6. Prizes and vouchers

- Prizes are awarded as meviy manufacturing credit vouchers: €1,500 for first place, €750 for second place, and €500 for third place.
- Vouchers are valid for 90 days from the date of issue. Unused credit expires at the end of this period and is not extended, refunded, or reissued.
- Vouchers have no cash alternative and cannot be exchanged, in whole or in part, for cash or any other benefit.
- Vouchers are personal to the meviy account of winning applicant or winning team and are non-transferable to any other individual or organisation.
- Purchasing with voucher is subject to meviy's End User Licence Agreement, the Organizer's General Terms and Conditions and to any separate voucher redemption terms provided to the winner at the time of issue.
- Any products manufactured using voucher credit are subject to the standard warranty terms of the manufacturing provider. Winners should review and accept the applicable warranty terms before placing an order using their voucher.

7. Important notes and application rules

The following rules apply to every application submitted to the Program:

- One application per applicant or organisation. Each individual applicant, and each participating Student Organization may submit only one application. Multiple applications from the same applicant or Student Organization will be considered invalid, and only the first valid application received will be considered.
- Accurate contact information is the applicant's responsibility. If the application form contains errors, or if the contact information provided is incorrect, out of date, or unreachable, the applicant's eligibility, selection, or right to receive support may be invalidated or cancelled.
- No transfer or resale. Vouchers and any products designed and/or manufactured through the Program may not be transferred, resold, or distributed to any third parties.
- Changes to the Program. The content, eligible participants, scope of support, and duration of the Program may be changed at any time, without prior notice, due to operational or other circumstances. See Section 8.
- Academic approval required. Students shall obtain approval from their academic advisor or another responsible faculty member before submitting an application.

8. Organizer's rights and changes to the Programme

The Organizer reserves the right, at its sole discretion and at any time, to:

- Cancel, suspend, extend, or otherwise amend the Program, including its dates, eligibility criteria, judging process, or prizes, for operational, legal, force majeure or other reasons where it is reasonable and necessary.
- Amend these Terms. Where reasonably practicable, the Organizer will publish an updated version of these Terms on the Program landing page in advance of any material change taking effect.
- Substitute a prize of equivalent value where a voucher prize cannot be awarded as described, for reasons outside the Organizer's control.

The Organizer will not be liable to any applicant for any change, cancellation, or suspension of the Program made in accordance with this Section.

9. Disqualification

The Organizer may disqualify an applicant or entry, at any stage, where it reasonably believes that the applicant has:

- Not been eligible as an applicant anymore under Section 2.
- Provided false, inaccurate, or misleading information in their application.
- Submitted more than one application, in breach of Section 7.
- Submitted a design that is not genuinely the applicant's own work, or that infringes the intellectual property rights of a third party.
- Otherwise breached these Terms, or engaged in conduct that is fraudulent, unlawful, or damaging to the Organizer's reputation.
- Not confirmed an acceptance to win and receive a prize within 7 working days of notification. In this case, the prize may be forfeited and awarded to another entrant.

10. Intellectual property in submitted materials

Applicants retain ownership of all intellectual property rights in the CAD files, designs, and other materials they submit.

By submitting an application, an applicant grants the Organizer a limited, non-exclusive licence to review the submitted materials for the purposes of judging and administering the Program. The Organizer will treat submitted CAD files and project descriptions as confidential, and will not use them for any commercial purpose beyond the Program without the applicant's separate, explicit consent.

Where the Organizer wishes to reference a specific applicant's project or design in marketing or PR materials, it will seek the applicant's separate written permission before doing so. Notwithstanding the above, Applicants who win the prizes agree to disclose information listed in Section 5 and 11.

11. Data protection and privacy

The Applicant assures that the personal details provided by such Applicant, in particular first name, surname and e-mail address, are true and correct. By submitting the Application, the Applicant expressly agrees that the Organizer may collect, store, and process the necessary data for the purpose of administrate the Program, including assessing eligibility, judging entries, contacting applicants about the questions and outcome, and issuing prizes. In case that the Applicant shares the personal information of other members of the Applicant's Student Organization for the purpose of this Program, the Applicant warrants that such member gives their consent and will provide the relevant consent documents upon request. All data will be processed in accordance with the applicable data protection regulations. Applicants' personal data will not be passed on to third parties or made available to them for use without their consent. An exception to this is MISUMI Group companies for the purpose of administrate the Program. In the event of winning 1, 2, or 3rd place, the winner agrees to the publication of their name, university/institution, project name, short description of the project, place, and prize on the landing page and advertising media managed by the Organiser. This includes the announcement of the winner on the Organizer's landing page, website and its social media platforms. The participant can obtain information about their data stored by the Organizer at any time, object to the use of their data and request its deletion. A simple letter or e-mail to the Organizer is sufficient for this purpose. Once consent has been withdrawn, the participant's personal data collected and stored will be deleted immediately.

12. Severability clause

Should any provision of these Terms be or become invalid in whole or in part, this shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of these Terms. The invalid provision shall be replaced by a legally permissible provision that comes as close as possible to the economic intent and purpose of the invalid provision. The same applies in the event of a loophole in these conditions of participation.

13. Liability

The Program is provided on a genuine best-efforts basis. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Organizer will not be liable for any damages and/or losses including but not limited to direct, indirect or consequential arising from an applicant's participation in the Program unless such damages were caused intentionally or through gross negligence by the Organiser (its bodies, employees or vicarious agents). Any feedback provided in relation to an Entry is for informational and educational purposes only, is non-binding, and does not constitute a guarantee of manufacturability, production feasibility, suitability for a particular purpose, safety or regulatory compliance. No rights or claims arise solely from the feedback or the results of the Program. Nothing in these Terms limits or excludes any liability that cannot lawfully be limited or excluded, including liability for death or personal injury caused by negligence, or for fraud.

14. Governing law and jurisdiction

These Terms, and any dispute arising out of or in connection with the Program, are governed by the laws of Germany, excluding the UN Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG). The parties agree that any disputes arising in connection with this agreement shall be submitted exclusively to the competent court at the Organizer's registered office without prejudice to any mandatory consumer-protection rights an applicant may have under the law of their country of residence.

15. Acceptance of terms

By submitting an application to the Program, the applicant confirms that they have read and understood these Terms, agree to be bound by them in full, and confirm that the information provided in their application is accurate and complete to the best of their knowledge.