

MILIPOL INNOVATION AWARDS

COMPETITION RULES 2025

Organized by



Article 1 – Principles and objectives of the Competition

As part of the biennial and international MILIPOL trade event that will be held from Tuesday 18 to Friday 21 November 2025 at the Paris-Nord Villepinte Exhibition Centre (*hereafter the “Show”*), COMEXPOSIUM Security, a limited liability company with capital of € 1 089 471, registered the Nanterre Trade and Companies Register under N° 401 138 029, and with registered office located at 17 quai du Président Paul Doumer, 92672 Courbevoie Cedex (*hereafter “COMEXPOSIUM Security”*), France, is organizing the **MILIPOL INNOVATION AWARDS 2025** competition (*hereafter the “Competition”*) to reward exhibiting companies offering innovative products, services, solutions or business models for the homeland security.

The registration of participants implies their unreserved acceptance of the clauses of these competition rules and the decisions rendered in the context of the Competition.

Article 2 – Entry terms and conditions

2.1 Participation in the Competition:

The Competition is free of charge and reserved for exhibitors and sponsors of the Show, who may presented one or more products, services, solutions or business models (hereinafter the “Products”). A call for entries published in France and abroad, is available to companies complying with the following requirements (hereinafter the “Participants”):

- To be an exhibitor or a sponsor of the Show,
- Not to be a judging panel member,
- To agree with these rules without restriction or reservation,
- To complete the entries **by 22 September 2025** at midnight (French time zone),
- Any Products submitted must:
 - Have been released or officially announced between 17 November 2023 (closing date of Milipol Paris 2023) and 17 November 2025 (the day before the opening of Milipol Paris 2025),
 - At least, have prototypes which can be presented to the judging panel,
 - Belong to one of the categories mentioned in Article 2.3 of these rules.

2.2 Terms of participation in the Competition:

Registration to the Competition will be done online from the Exhibitor Area space on the Milipol website: www.milipol.com. Each Participant may then create his account and complete the information requested in the online form.

In the event that the Participants are finalists, they shall prepare and provide in their registration file, a text in French and English of a maximum of 350 characters (including space), a visual of the Product(s) concerned and a logo of their company in high definition.

Entries must be completed and validated **by 22 September 2025** at midnight at the latest, in the required format on the COMEXPOSIUM Security's online platform, on the website www.milipol.com.

The registration of the entries will be finally validated by clicking on "Finalize this Application."

An acknowledgement of receipt confirming that his participation has been taken into account will be sent by post or e-mail to any Participant who has duly registered.

Any entry which fails to comply with the following requirements will be disqualified.

2.3. Categories of the Competition: 5 categories

- Cybersecurity & IA (fight against cyberthreats and cybercriminality solutions)
- Individual equipments / first responder protection (materials, textiles, fabrics & accessories)
- Drone & anti-drone systems, robotics
- Crisis management (emergency population warning systems, crisis management, command & control)
- Corporate Social Responsibility or Sustainable Development Goals.

The Participants may submit one or more Products. There are no restrictions on the number of entries per Participants. However, any company that submits more than one Product must complete one registration form for each Product.

The same Product can be submitted in two different categories maximum.

Article 3 – Competition schedule

- Deadline for complete entries deposit: **22 September 2025**, midnight (French time zone)
- Deadline Evaluation by the judging panel: **from 6 October to 27 October 2025** midnight (French time zone)
- Announcement of Finalists: **31 October 2025**
- Announcement of laureates and awards ceremony: **18 November 2025**, during the Show

Article 4 – Judging panel’s composition and decisions

The judging panel is composed of international experts recognized in their field (hereinafter the “Judging Panel”).

The Judging Panel will assess all of the Participants on the following criteria:

CRITERIA	MARK*
Innovative nature of the Product submitted	10 Points
Market opportunity	8 Points
Quality of argument	2 Points

* 20 is the best mark

The deliberations of the Judging Panel are strictly confidential. All the Judging Panel’s decisions shall be final and no appeals against the decisions may be made. The Judging Panel shall not be required to give their reasons for rejecting an entry. Under no circumstances a refusal decision may give rise to the allowance of compensation.

Important: The Participants undertake to provide only true and accurate information to the Judging Panel. In particular, they agree to avoid any omission or inaccuracy that could lead the Judging Panel to make the wrong decision. In the event of a documented failure to comply with this requirement, the Judging Panel reserves the right to withdraw the award already granted and to inform the media of the reasons for such withdrawal.

Also, the Participants commit not to contact the Judging Panel directly and/or communicate them any element concerning their Product(s) outside the Internet platform provided.

Article 5 – Finalists and Laureates announcement

Only 3-4 finalists per category according to the criteria (see Article 4).

Project with the highest rating by category will be Laureate.

COMEXPOSIUM Security undertakes to notify by e-mail all finalists of their selection before the 31 October 2025, prior to the official announcement. The Participants unselected will also be informed.

Under no circumstances any finalist notified and officially announced shall withdraw his application.

The official announcement of **the 5 laureates** will be made on the 18 November 2025 during the Show.

A special prize may also be awarded to one of the candidates, at the sole discretion of the members of the jury or COMEXPOSIUM SECURITY.

The finalists commit themselves to speak (5 minutes) on the day of the award ceremony, on the Innov’Arena of the Show.

Article 6 – Awards

6.1 - Any Products nominated as a finalist may be presented by a printed document and/or an animation throughout the Show.

6.2 - On the other hand, laureates will receive from COMEXPOSIUM Security a “2025 MILIPOL INNOVATION AWARDS” trophy for his/her category.

Participants who have received an award may mention it in their own advertising.

Any trade or advertising reference to an award received in the Competition must specify the exact title "MILIPOL INNOVATION AWARDS", the year of the award, and the category of the winning innovation.

Rewards may not have amenity value or approval in any way whatsoever.

Article 7 – Intellectual property of Products

Each Participant certifies that the Products presented comply with the safety standards imposed by the regulations in force and accept the full responsibility for any defects in the aforesaid Products, for which COMEXPOSIUM Security or the Judging Panel cannot be held liable.

The Participants shall acknowledge and respect all of regulations in force during the Show, whether enacted by the public authorities or by COMEXPOSIUM Security, in order that COMEXPOSIUM Security cannot be held liable.

In view of the international dimension of the Show, the Products presented at the Competition come from multiple countries and are intended to be marketed worldwide.

The Participants undertake that their Products comply with the legislation of their home country or of countries where they want to market these Products.

Consequently, COMEXPOSIUM Security or the Judging Panel could not be accused of promoting innovative products non-compliant with the French or European legislation.

In participating in the Competition, Participants shall guarantee that they hold all intellectual property rights relating to the presented Products in the Competition, or in the special case where the Participant is not the manufacturer but the distributor, have been duly authorised by the intellectual property rights holder relating to the presented Product, to present the aforesaid Product as part of the Competition. COMEXPOSIUM Security and the Judging Panel cannot be held responsible therein, in particular in the event of a dispute with another exhibitor or visitor.

Participants shall also guarantee COMEXPOSIUM Security that the elements transmitted are original, and have borrowed no original element or one protected by any intellectual property rights. In this respect, Participants shall hold COMEXPOSIUM Security harmless as regards any action for infringement or any action arising from claims of copyright concerning the elements transmitted.

It is the Participant's responsibility to ensure that their industrial property rights have been protected and that the corresponding patents have been filed, if need be. They are reminded that, under articles L611-11 and L611-13 of the French Intellectual Property Code, in order to be valid, an application for a French patent must be filed within six months of the date on which the invention is first publicly disclosed.

COMEXPOSIUM Security disclaims all liability for any commercial or non-commercial use which may be made of Products submitted in the context of this Competition that could constitute a violation of the Participant's rights.

The elements presented by the Participants during the Competition are sent to COMEXPOSIUM Security under the Participant's sole responsibility. The Participants declare that the elements do not breach any intellectual property rights or indeed anyone's rights. Each Participant shall guarantee to release COMEXPOSIUM Security and the Judging Panel from any civil or criminal liability it might incur as a result of the use of these elements of any kind whatsoever provided by the Participant as part of the Competition and compensate COMEXPOSIUM Security for all damages it may suffer.

Article 8 – Permissions – Image Rights

8.1 - The Participants grant expressly COMEXPOSIUM Security permission to use the names of the Products presented, as well as their descriptions and pictures (animated or not), and in generally all of the elements submitted by the Participants in the Competition, for all communication purposes related to the Competition , the promotion of the Show or the MILIPOL network, as soon as the Finalists official announcement will be published.

These authorisations shall be granted for France and abroad for 5 (five) years from the date they were entered in the Competition, and apply to all media, including paper, magnetic, optical, digital, computer, web, (including the social networks), telematic, electronic, film, video cassette, CD-ROM, DVD, or other media, known or unknown at this time, now or in the future.

8.2 - The Participants give their prior consent to the use of their name, address and photographs in any promotional activity related to the Competition and the Show, without this giving rise to any right other than the award.

Moreover, the results of the Awards and the name of the Laureates may be communicated to the media and will be the subject to a specific promotion within the Show.

8.3 - The Participants expressly authorize, free of charge, COMEXPOSIUM Security and/or any third party designated by COMEXPOSIUM Security:

- to take photos and/or make films during the Show or the official award ceremony, if it wishes, representing the Participants as well as the members of their team and the Products.
- to use these images freely on any media, notably for the advertising purposes in the internet, in France and abroad and for a 5 (five) year period from the opening of the Show .
- to cite and reproduce free of charge their brand, or company name, as a commercial reference for the needs of its communication, on any media (notably internet), in France and abroad, for a 5 (five)-year period, from the agreement of these Rules.

Article 9 – Personal data protection

The personal data collected for each Participant, both when they entered the Competition and, as the case may be, to enable delivery of the trophy, will be collected and handled in accordance with regulations governing the protection and collection of personal data.

The collected data will be transmitted solely to COMEXPOSIUM Security. They may be communicated to the service providers and subcontractors that COMEXPOSIUM Security may use for the purposes of organizing and/or managing the Competition.

Because the data collected about each Participant for the Competition are needed to allow his/her entry and awarding of any prize he/she may have won, a Participant's choice to exercise his/her right of withdrawal before the end of the Competition will result in the complete cancellation of his/her entry in the Competition.

Each Participant has the right to access and correct his/her data and, if applicable, delete them, oppose their processing, erase them or limit their processing, as well as a data portability right, that they may access at any time by electronic or postal means, sent to the following addresses: COMEXPOSIUM SECURITY – MILIPOL INNOVATION AWARDS 2025 – 17 quai du Président Paul Doumer, 92672 Courbevoie Cedex or mail to: privacy@comexposium.com. Lastly, each Participant will have the right to file a complaint with CNIL (French Data Protection Authority).

Personal data are kept for the duration of the Competition and then for a period of 5 years from the last expression of interest by the Participant. The data necessary to establish the proof of the said relationship, those necessary for the execution of these rules and those necessary for COMEXPOSIUM Security to comply with its legal and regulatory obligations to which it is subject, shall be kept in accordance with the provisions in force.

Article 10 – Modifications

COMEXPOSIUM Security reserves the right to shorten, extend, postpone, or cancel the Competition at any time, without notice and with no obligation to justify its decision, and to change part or all of the terms and/or conditions of the Competition's implementation in the event of a force majeure event or another event outside its control, without the possibility of it being held liable or of claiming any compensation as a result of any such changes.

COMEXPOSIUM Security will make its best effort to notify the Participants of any such change as soon as possible.

All Participants will then be considered as having accepted the modification, as a consequence of their entry in the Competition, as of the date on which the modification takes effect.

Article 11 – Languages of the Competition

The Competition Rules are published in French and English. In the event of a contradiction between the original French text and the English translation thereof, only the French text shall prevail.

Article 12 – Consultation of the rules

The full text of the rules is available on the platform dedicated to the Competition on the website www.milipol.com. The rules may also be obtained free of charge by writing to the following address: COMEXPOSIUM Security – MILIPOL INNOVATION AWARDS 2025 – Pierre STRIL – 17 quai du Président Paul Doumer – 92672 Courbevoie Cedex.

Article 13 – Disputes – Governing law and assignment of jurisdiction

By entering this Competition, each Participant unconditionally and unreservedly accepts these rules.

If one or several stipulations in these rules should be declared null and void and/or non-applicable, the other clauses will retain their full force and reach.

The Participants unreservedly accept that the simple fact of entering the Competition makes them subject to French laws, namely concerning any disputes that might arise as a result of the Competition or that are directly or indirectly associated with it, and this without prejudice to any rules regarding legal conflicts that may exist. COMEXPOSIUM Security and the Participant will attempt to come to an amicable resolution to any disagreements stemming from the Competition. In the absence of an agreement, the dispute will fall under the jurisdiction of the Nanterre Commercial Court.

In the event of a proven breach in these rules, COMEXPOSIUM Security shall be entitled to exclude the Participant of the Competition, without the Participant being able to claim any compensation and without prejudice to any compensation that COMEXPOSIUM Security may claim.

All disputes and complaints relating to the Competition must be formulated in writing and sent to COMEXPOSIUM Security by post, no later than December 1, 2025.

No written or telephone requests will be answered regarding the interpretation or the application of these rules, the mechanisms and terms of the Competition, or the selection of the finalists or laureates.