

Annual Gala

& INNOVATION AWARDS

The Innovation Awards is a contest for French-American companies based in Florida, organized by the French-American Chamber of Commerce Florida in partnership with the French Foreign Trade Advisors (CCEF Floride Caraïbes).

The purpose is to highlight entrepreneurs with innovative visions.

On April 16th, the Jury will select up to 4 nominees in each category and the winner will be announced during FACC's Annual Gala on May 26th 2019.

Among the 4 winners (1 in each category), one will be selected as "Top Winner" for a very special gift. Entry submissions begin on February 26th and end on April 9th 2019.

ELIGIBILITY

- The project/ company must operate in the Floridian market
- Have an innovative product, service or concept
- At least one executive must be fluent in both French and English
- Meet the criteria of the chosen category

CATEGORIES

#1

START-UP 2019



- Company officially launched after January 1st, 2017
- Product or service are commercially viable with a demonstrated ability to generate revenues
- Have an impact on the local community

#2

ENVIRONMENT 2019



- Have a product, service or concept environment focused
- Need to have at least one official environmental label (ex: Reduce your carbon foot print)
- Qualifying innovation must be in operation at the time of the application.

#3

DIGITAL 2019



- Have a product, service or concept based on digital technologies (ICT).
- Be part of a tech initiative such as French Tech, Tech Committee, etc.
- Qualifying innovation must be in operation at the time of the application.

#4

ART DE VIVRE 2019



- Successful implementation of a product around lifestyle and/or gastronomy.
- Impact on the French-American business relations.
- Product or service that is commercially viable with a demonstrated ability to generate revenues

THE JURY*

President of the Jury:
Honorary Jury:

Alain Ouelhadj, Président FACC Florida
Elisabeth Gazay, President CCE Florida & Caribbean
Patricia Bona, Vice-President FACC Florida & Member CCE

#1

START-UP 2019

Waterdiam (winner 2018),
FACC Board Directors : Gary Birnberg, Jacques Brion, Severine-Gianese-Pittman,
Olivier Sureau and honorary jury members part of CCE Florida & Caribbean

#2

ENVIRONMENT 2019

C-Green (winner 2018) ,
FACC Board Directors : Marcela Arbelaez, Raphael Bolzan, Steven Edelstein, Serge
Massat, and honorary jury members part of CCE Florida & Caribbean

#3

DIGITAL 2019

Datakalab / Vibe Agency (winner 2018),
FACC Board Directors : Jean-Paul Barre, Maxime Sambourg, Christophe Poilleux,
Frederick Woodbridge, and honorary jury members part of CCE Florida & Caribbean

#4

ART DE VIVRE 2019

Arkup (winner 2018),
FACC Board Directors : Antonio Ellek, Michele Mataillet, Hubert Surville, and
honorary jury members part of CCE Florida & Caribbean.

* Jury members may change

PRIZES



Pitch



**Mentor
ship**



- The FACC Innovation Trophy
- One year of mentorship by a member of the French Foreign Trade Advisors
- One advertising email blast sent to FACC 5,200 contacts
- Interview published in the newsletter of the Consulate General of France in Miami, E-toile
- Social media mentions (Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn) and Media Coverage
- 2-3 minutes pitch presentation during the gala on May 16th
- Pre-qualification for "les Trophées CCIFI" 2020 (worldwide competition through the French Chambers of Commerce abroad)

For the "Top Winner 2019" sponsored by the French Foreign Trade Advisors

- \$3,000

HOW TO APPLY

- Application must be submitted by the applicant or by a third-party.
- Only one application per innovation will be accepted.
- Applications that are incomplete or unsigned will not be considered
- Information contained in the application will remain confidential used solely for purposes of the award selection.
- A short description of the nominees may be used for promotional purposes of the event.
- All finalists must consent to their name and profile information, to be published in marketing materials associated with the event.
- In case of a third-party, a support letter needs to be send along with the form.

Fill the application form

Submit your application with the form and a PNG logo before April 9th, 2019

-> to events@faccmiami.com

APPLICATION FORM

1. Company Name
2. Date of Creation
3. Type of Business
4. Contact Name
5. Title
6. Email Address
7. Phone number
8. Is the company a subsidiary?
9. If yes, please specify the name of the headquarters
10. Submitting for
 - ☐ Start-up 2019
 - ☐ Environment 2019
 - ☐ Digital 2019
 - ☐ Art de Vivre 2019
11. Date
12. Signature

13. Name of innovation being considered in this application

14. Description

15. Launch date

16. Current distribution channels and volume in South Florida

17. What are the profits, outcomes and successes resulting from this project?

18. What did inspire the innovation?

19. Who is the target market?

20. How does this project benefit the South Florida community?

21. How does this project help foster good French-American relations?



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