



TRADA 75th Anniversary Member's competition rules and Application Form

ELIGIBILITY

This competition is open to all companies and individuals who are in Corporate or Professional membership of TRADA and who have paid in full all due membership subscription payments.

In applying to participate in this competition, member companies must commit to remain in membership throughout 2009 and pay subscription payments that are due in 2009 promptly within 30 days' receipt of the notification for payment.

COMPETITION RULES

- The maximum amount available for any individual project is £25,000. This means that up to three projects will be funded under this Competition. If there are insufficient applications of adequate quality that satisfy the competition requirements, TRADA reserves the right to re-allocate any unspent sum from the £75,000 competition pool to other projects that it decides to fund.
- The duration of the project should be less than one year and should be completed by 31 December 2009.
- All projects are to be undertaken as a collaborative venture between the company and TRADA Technology. TRADA funding will be passed to TRADA Technology who will provide research services to the agreed value to the project in accordance with the project programme. The company is expected to commit its own resources to the project to a value at least equivalent to TRADA's.
- Each project is to be driven by the member company, who will set the timescales and programme. The programme will define the outputs from the project.
- Agreement will be reached between TRADA Technology and the member company before the project starts regarding ownership of resulting IPR (Intellectual Property Rights), recognising that the member company may want to protect any commercial advantage over its competitors, whilst at the same time TRADA will want to ensure that the application of its research funds benefits its wider membership as a whole. Given the likely size of projects, possible models could be that a) the company has exclusive access to results for an agreed period before publication, or b) the company retains exclusive access to full results but a more general summary is made available to the wider membership.

IF AN APPLICANT WISHES TO RETAIN SOLE ACCESS TO ANY RESULTS OR TO LIMIT ACCESS TO OUTPUTS IN ANY WAY, THIS MAY BE PERMISSIBLE AND SHOULD BE DECLARED ON THE APPLICATION FORM.



All applicants are required to commit to participating in a one-day Seminar to be held in the Autumn 2009, at which they will be expected to present a summary of the project and its outcomes.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications should be made on the enclosed one-page Application Form, which should be sent to: Dr. Hugh Mansfield-Williams, TRADA Research Co-ordinator, TRADA Technology Limited, Stocking Lane, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks, HP14 4ND or emailed to: hmansfield-williams@trada.co.uk to arrive not later than Friday 14 November 2008.

All applications will be reviewed against the Evaluation Criteria and a shortlist put forward to the TRADA Board for consideration and approval at its meeting on 2 December 2008. Successful applicants will be notified by Friday 5 December.

TRADA Technology will contact all successful applicants and enter into dialogue to develop the project programme and plan, followed by contract negotiations, as soon as it is practical to do so. TRADA Technology will not start work on any project until a contract has been signed by both parties.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The main aim of this competition is to promote the engagement in research amongst TRADA members. Consequently, it is expected that individual companies who put forward projects will do so for their own business benefit and this is to be encouraged. However, in addition, each project will also be expected to deliver some generic output that furthers the appropriate use of timber in construction, and as such can demonstrate a clear benefit to the general membership or wider timber industry

- The project should have a clear aim that provides a commercial benefit to the member and more general benefits to the wider TRADA membership and/or the timber industry.
- The member should propose a sound technical approach to the project, showing their contribution and what they expect TRADA Technology to do.
- The project should be innovative in its use of timber or timber products



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Please summarise the project on this form. Additional information in support of an application may be included on additional pages (max. three additional pages allowed)

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| Company Name and Address: | |
| Contact person: | Name: Tel: Email: |
| Funding sought from TRADA (max £25,000): | |
| Project Aim: | |
| Description of the Project (including the technical/ commercial challenges that the project seeks to overcome): | |
| Key Tasks to be undertaken by: Applicant: TRADA Technology: | |
| Project Outcomes: | |
| How will the successful completion of this project make a difference to your company? | |
| How will the successful completion of this project benefit the wider membership/Timber industry? | |
| Identify any restrictions that you would like to place on the dissemination of results from this project: | |

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