ReDefine

Application Guide & Instructions

How to fill in the application form & what we're looking for!

The **ReDefine Next 100** program brings together selected young leaders from diverse fields including (but not limited to) **humanities, social sciences, engineering, medicine, computing science, art and the natural sciences**. Top young leaders identify the issue they perceive to be the **paramount global challenge in the future**. GARI will put the selected candidates into diverse international teams, that incorporate innovative ideas from various respective fields and propose a way to address a global challenge.

Teams will be invited to Prague for a five-day-long workshop in September 2019, where they will refine their work with the guidance of high-level mentors. At the end of the ReDefine September program, GARI will choose the best teams/projects, with the most innovative and applicable idea and invite them back for the November programme as well as to present at **The Next 100 Symposium**.

ReDefine Next 100 challenges young leaders to think outside the box, and look at the world through the lens of opportunity, promoting the use of technology and innovation to address global challenges.

Calling young people all over the world!

Welcome to the online application process for the ReDefine Next 100 youth program for the Next 100 Symposium 2019 (N100 2019)!

The Global Arena Research Institute (GARI) is looking for extraordinary young people (aged 18-35) from across the world, with proven commitment and engagement, to represent innovation and the future. Young people are 'movers and shakers' in their communities and countries, and are key to solving the universal challenges outlined by GARI and the N100.

Debate with global leaders, actors and stakeholders at the Next 100 Symposium!

The winning ReDefiner teams will present at the Next 100 Symposium and speak on a high-level panel discussion along with key leaders in the field. Team members will have the opportunity to present challenging ideas to the audience and engage with key global actors, including governments and international organisation delegations.

Each panel addresses one of the N100 topic areas, which you can read about here. The top ReDefiner teams will be chosen to speak on one of these N100 Areas.

In addition to speaking in the symposium's highest-level debates, members of the top three teams will have the opportunity to participate in other sessions to help shape the agenda of N100.

Application form 2019: https://goo.gl/forms/utxg93eDujBHpQJK2

Fees and Scholarships

Applicants who are selected can then apply for a partial or full scholarship. Applicants can fund their own participation or seek a sponsor on their own.

Fees:

Travel to and from Prague: train or bus from nearest European city; or flight from your nearest international airport

Accommodation & Board: grouped accommodation in Prague; lunch and coffee breaks during the working days

Programme fee: mentoring, workshops and all activities during the programme weeks.

Basic Scholarship:

- ❖ ReDefine N100 programme fee

Partial Scholarship:

- ❖ Accommodation and board for the September and possibly November programme week;
- ❖ ReDefine N100 programme fee

Full Scholarship:

- ❖ Travel to and from applicant's country of stay;
- ❖ accommodation and board for the September and possibly November programme week;
- ❖ ReDefine N100 programme fee

Not Covered by GARI:

- ❖ Visa and visa-related costs
- ❖ Travel to and from the nearest international airport; nor travel to and from the Prague airport
- ❖ Per Diems

How to apply

DEADLINE: April 31st, 2019

- Go to our N100 website on the ReDefine page and click on the button APPLY;
- On the application form, please complete all the fields. In order to be evaluated, your application has to be complete and submitted before the deadline. Late applications will not be accepted.
- **Applications and proposals must involve the field of technology and innovation.** Applications not involving this element will not be considered. Be bold and original!

INSTRUCTIONS:
Instructions for individual questions on the application form can be found in the next section of this document.

Please prepare your answers in advance and copy them into the form when ready, as you will not be able to use this form as a working document or save any of your work before submitting it officially. The essay questions can be found in the next section of this document.

The character limits serve as an orientational amount, however, some questions have set minimum or maximum character counts. Please note that answers that are extremely short will not be considered sufficient to respond to the question (answers of less than 1,000 characters).

Do not copy & paste (multiply) the same paragraphs just to make up the character count, these answers will not count and your application will be disqualified.

When applying, think about the areas of the Next 100 Symposium you are interested in and knowledgeable of. You must feel comfortable and knowledgeable about the topics of your choice and they must relate closely to your interests and expertise. We will be choosing applicants and grouping them based on this and if you are part of the winning team and go to the N100, you will be on a panel and speak about these topics.

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- Do not copy & paste paragraphs just to make up the character count, these answers will not count and your application will be disqualified.

Application Stages

1. **Application** stage - You will be required to fill out the application form and submit it online. You can submit a short video to go along with your application. We recommend that you do submit a video.

2. **Evaluation** stage - top young people will be chosen and notified in **June**

3. **Mentoring** stage

   a. You will be placed into groups of 3-5 people

   b. You will be required to go through some mentoring of the ReDefine program online

   c. You will be required to communicate and plan with your group online and long-distance to prepare your group project

   d. You will be required to submit your draft project before you come to the ReDefine N100 program in September

4. **September programme - 6-12. September -** stage, which will take place in Prague in September. Groups will meet in-person and work on their group projects with mentors, developers and experts. Groups will receive seminars on public speaking, project development, presentation skills, pitching skills and more. Groups will be required to develop their projects in depth.

5. **Finalisation & Evaluation** stage, where groups will complete their projects online and submit them for review. An evaluation panel will review and evaluate the final projects and decide on the top projects that will be presented at the Next 100 Symposium.

6. **November programme - 14-22. November -** will bring the top projects/groups to Prague again to complete their projects and present them at the Next 100 Symposium.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- Applicants must be between 18 and 35 at the time of the program (September - November 2019)

- Students of higher education (Bachelor, Masters, PhD) or individuals who have left their formal education no later than 5 years prior to applying.

- Applications are open to young adults from all around the world, without restriction of nationality, however, they **must have access to a good internet connection** to attend the mentoring sessions and work collaboratively on the teams.

- Applications must be submitted in English. The candidate must have mandatory intermediate, or preferably high level of English, and be able to speak clearly and comprehensively in English.

- Applicants must be able to travel to and participate in ReDefine Next 100 2019 in Prague (Czech Republic) from September 6 - 12 and November 14 - 22.

Evaluation criteria

We will evaluate your application based on 5 criteria:

1. Your passion, experience and potential in innovation & technology and how it can be applied in your chosen field/topic of engagement/project.

2. A passion for innovative, cross-disciplinary critical thinking

3. Your knowledge of your chosen topic and the relevance of your active engagement. We encourage candidates to show how their activities have had an impact or to articulate the potential impact of their proposed project.

4. Your role as a representative of an organisation, other youth or community, and your leadership experience or potential.

5. The originality of the idea and depth of suggested solution to challenge.

Tips for the Application Form

Be innovative: GARI's goal and the objective of the ReDefine program is to find *innovative* and *cross-disciplinary* ways of looking at the world, its challenges and our future. We are specifically looking for applicants who demonstrate: an interest or passion for technology and how we can use advancing developments in technology for improving our understanding and practice in politics, civil society, medicine, space exploration, accomplishing the Sustainable Development Goals, education, economy, business, and many other disciplines.

Be original: We are receiving hundreds of applications. How will yours stand out? What is interesting and original about you and your ideas?

Be motivated: We do not accept applicants whose motivation is *only* to "gain experience," or "travel to Europe." We evaluate applications based on credit and your passion for work, and to shape a future that will make people and innovation prosper.

DO NOT plagiarise. DO NOT submit false or inaccurate information.

★ We're looking for cross-disciplinarity, innovative/new approaches, and out-of-the-box thinking.
★ We're looking for ideas that bring together both the fields of technology (data science, innovation, digitalisation, AI, Machine Learning, etc.) and the fields of the social sciences (economy, politics, society, environment, natural sciences, etc.)
★ Submitting a video is not mandatory, if you don't want to, it won't disqualify your application, however, we recommend you do, as it most certainly will help it.
★ Be original. We are looking for unicorns.

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Applicant Profile Section

- ❖ **Student or Working.. I am/have** -

    - ➢ **enrolled student at a university:** currently studying at a university, and will be studying at a university in September/November 2019
    - ➢ **pursuing a career & finished university:** you are no longer enrolled in a university OR will no longer be a student in September/November 2019, **&** are employed/pursuing a career (do not tick this if you are underemployed)
    - ➢ **both studying at university and pursuing a career (this does not include a job to make money on the side, eg. work at a restaurant or as a receptionist**): you are (or will be in September 2019) an enrolled student at a university **as well as** an employee or pursuing a career,
    - ➢ not studying and am not pursuing a career

- ❖ **Highest Degree Achieved/Currently enrolled in** - please choose which level you have completed or are currently enrolled in. If you're no longer a student and last studied as a Masters student that please tick "Masters". If you are still enrolled and currently studying at a university as a Masters student, please tick that.

- ❖ **University name** - Please state the official name of the university you are currently enrolled in or the last University you attended if you are no longer a student. Please type after this: the city, state and country of that university, separated by commas (eg. University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK)

- ❖ **Degree Pursued/Pursuing** - What is/was the title of your degree? (for example: "International Relations" or "Engineering")

- ❖ **Choose 4 areas of your greatest interest** - You should have at least minimal experience in these areas or a strong interest with compelling knowledge

Application Questions

❖ **Why should you be chosen as a Next 100 ReDefiner?**
This is your personal statement, where you outline elements from your CV. This is where you should describe your ambitions, skills, experience that will make you stand out for the ReDefine N100 program. What makes you a ReDefiner? Why should we choose you and not someone else? We want you to convince us you are the best candidate for this program by describing your achievements. (minimum of 3,000 characters)

❖ **What does "innovation" mean to you in 2019 and beyond?**

Briefly, tell us what "innovation 2019 and beyond" means to you as a concept in practice and as an opportunity. (maximum 2,000 characters)

❖ **What do you perceive as the greatest challenge & opportunity of the future?**
What innovations have there been and are being developed that you perceive to be paramount to tackling global or local issues? What opportunities do we have now, rather than before, to approach and shape the future? What do you perceive to be the greatest challenge facing us? We are looking for innovation and a future-looking perspective. We want our ReDefiners to know the issue they are describing well, including the progress and development of the issue. If you are talking about hunger/climate/AI ethics/education/etc, what are the latest developments and attempted solutions? Is there room for innovation? Why is this issue going to be a challenge in the next 100 years? Not "why has your issue been a challenge in the past." (minimum of 3,000 characters)

❖ **How would you use & apply innovative approaches as a project/endeavour/idea for transforming those challenges into opportunities?**
APPLICATION AND PROPOSALS MUST INVOLVE THE FIELD OF INNOVATION, and ideally elements of technology. Be bold and original! What makes your idea innovative? Is it using technology to tackle the issue? What makes your approach worth the ReDefine Next 100 program? This must be an original new project written specifically for this ReDefine Application. Proposals for projects that have been written prior to this application, or that were written for other purposes and applied will not be considered! (Minimum of 4,000 characters)

❖ Be bold and original!
❖ This must be an original new idea written specifically for this ReDefine Application. Proposals for projects that have been written prior to this

application, or that were written for other purposes and have been started will not be considered!

❖ **Submit a 2-4 minute video answering "How can innovative approaches transform challenges into opportunities in the future? (across disciplines) -** Please paste the link to the video and make sure access is open, and a password is not required. We recommend uploading the video on YouTube and pasting the link to it below. This must be an original video filmed specifically for this ReDefine application. Videos for projects that have been filmed prior to this application or that were filmed for other purposes will not be considered. This is not mandatory, if you do not wish to submit a video, it won't disqualify your application, however, we recommend you do, as it most certainly will help it.

Submission Checks

Do you need a scholarship to take part in the ReDefine N100 programme 2019?

Global Arena Research Institute wishes to provide as many full or partial scholarships as possible, however, this is dependant on funding received from outside sources. If you are chosen into the next round, you may need to apply for a full or partial scholarship. Only a limited amount of partial and full scholarships are available.

- ❏ No, I can fund my travel, accommodation, and programme fee myself.
- ❏ No, I can find a sponsor to cover my travel, accommodation, and programme fee.
- ❏ Yes, I would like to apply for a partial scholarship (covers accommodation and the programme fee).
- ❏ Yes, I would like to apply for a full scholarship (covers travel, accommodation, and programme fee).

Confirm the following

To be considered, you must check ALL the information below and it must be honest and true. We check every application for plagiarism. You have to confirm that this is your work, and not that of your colleague, teacher, friend, parent or anyone else. You must be able to come to Prague (hold a passport with more than 6 months to the expiry date).

- ❏ All in the information provided is true and original
- ❏ I did not plagiarize (copy/use ideas that do not belong to me)

❏ I hereby confirm that I am available to attend the ReDefine Next 100 program in Prague between 6-12 of September 2019, and if chosen, again between 15-22 of November 2019.
  ❏ Only applicants that can take part in the full program will be considered. You need to be available to attend online mentoring sessions and access content and information online! If you have a full-time job, you need to confirm that you will be able to dedicate the required time to the ReDefine program.
❏ I give my consent to GARI to process this information for the purposes of the ReDefine Next 100 program
  ❏ In follow-up communications from the Next 100 and ReDefiners team.
  ❏ To share with the Program Board for selection of successful applicants.
  ❏ If your application is successful, to include in promotional materials, including booklets, website posts and App content.
  ❏ To connect you with mentors and individuals who can help your project.
  ❏ To share with host organisations for registration at events you attend.
  ❏ To form part of our anonymised statistics on the impact of the Redefiners Program and The Next 100 Symposium.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

❏ Facebook
❏ Opportunity Desk
❏ University
❏ Someone told me
❏ GARI (www.globari.org) or Next 100 Symposium Website

Please let us know how you found this opportunity - Which university? Which institution? Was it a ReDefiner? Someone that applied in 2018?

This is important for us to know for marketing purposes, future scouting for ReDefiners and to learn how effective our partners are in disseminating the call.

Tick

❖ I would like to receive updates about GARI

Projects & Events
Research news
Traineeship postings
Next 100 Symposium speaker and programme announcements
ReDefine Next 100 global youth programme updates

❖ I would like to receive updates about N100 Symposium and the ReDefine N100 Global Youth Program

Speaker updates
Programme updates
Partner updates
Opportunities

❖ Subscribe to GARI's digest "Last Week on Earth"

Up-to-date developments in the realms of research, innovation, technology & the social sciences (politics, the economy, finance, development, business and more)
The state of research and innovation in Europe
Latest trends in emerging technologies and how politics can keep up
Suggestions for a progressive way forward
Technology & Social Sciences jokes

Need more help?

● You will find updated information on the Next 100 Symposium website's [ReDefine N100 page](#).

ReDefine N100 Website: https://www.next100symposium.org/redefine-n100

2019 Application Form: https://goo.gl/forms/utxg93eDujBHpQJK2

● You can make changes to a submitted form, however, if our evaluators have already processed your application the new changes will not be considered.
● Don't forget that you should submit a completed form before 31 of April 2019 at 23:59 pm/midnight (Central European Time).
● Should you encounter any errors, please contact RDapplications@globari.org.
● We wish you the best of luck in the application, and we look forward to reviewing your proposal.

Good luck!