

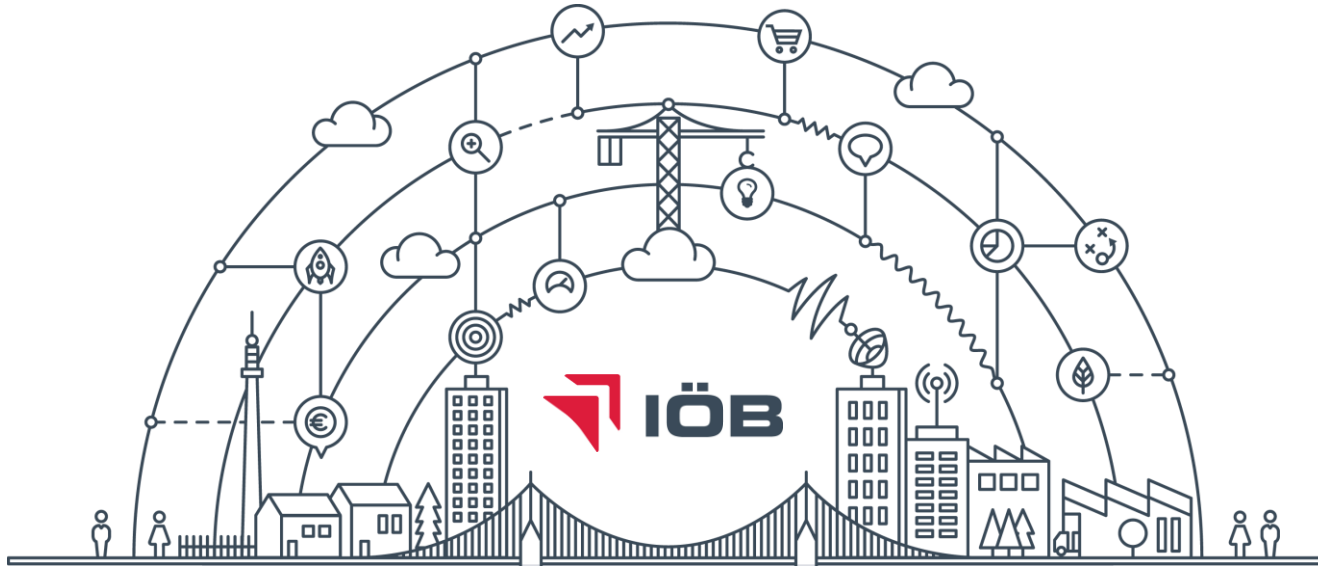
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Operational side: Instruments used within the  
innovation procurement network

PPPI Service Center

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# **Innovation Challenges**

**Overview for interested parties**

# Innovation Challenges

## www.ioeb-innovationsplattform.at

## Innovation Challenges

# Wir verbinden öffentliche Auftraggeber mit innovativen Unternehmen

Innovationen sind mehr als kluge Ideen. Sie sind Produkte und Dienstleistungen, die uns besser machen. Die IÖB-Innovationsplattform stellt sie ins Schaufenster und nutzt sie, um Herausforderungen des öffentlichen Sektors zu lösen.

**IHR MEHRWERT**



# PHASES OF A CHALLENGE

## PREPARATION

Defining Challenges & Visions; nominating a jury & defining criteria

## CALL FOR IDEAS

Companies post ideas and solutions to the innovation platform

Time frame:  
4-10 weeks

## COMMUNITY-PHASE

Jury screens company contributions, asks for clarification when needed

Time frame :  
approx. 2 weeks

## JURY ASSESSMENT

Jury assesses all contributions and decides on the winning solution(s)

Time frame :  
approx. 1 week

## INNOVATION DIALOGUE

Winners are invited to debate their solutions and details of their concept. Availability of the product, approx. Cost. etc.

Time frame :  
approx. 40 minutes  
per solution

## Win-Win-Situation

# Added value of an innovation challenge

### Public procurer

- Market overview and proposed solution for your problem
- Different solution approaches
- Knowledge of the possibilities and limits of procurement
- Impulse for the project & positioning as innovation pioneer
- Support from the PPPI Service Center

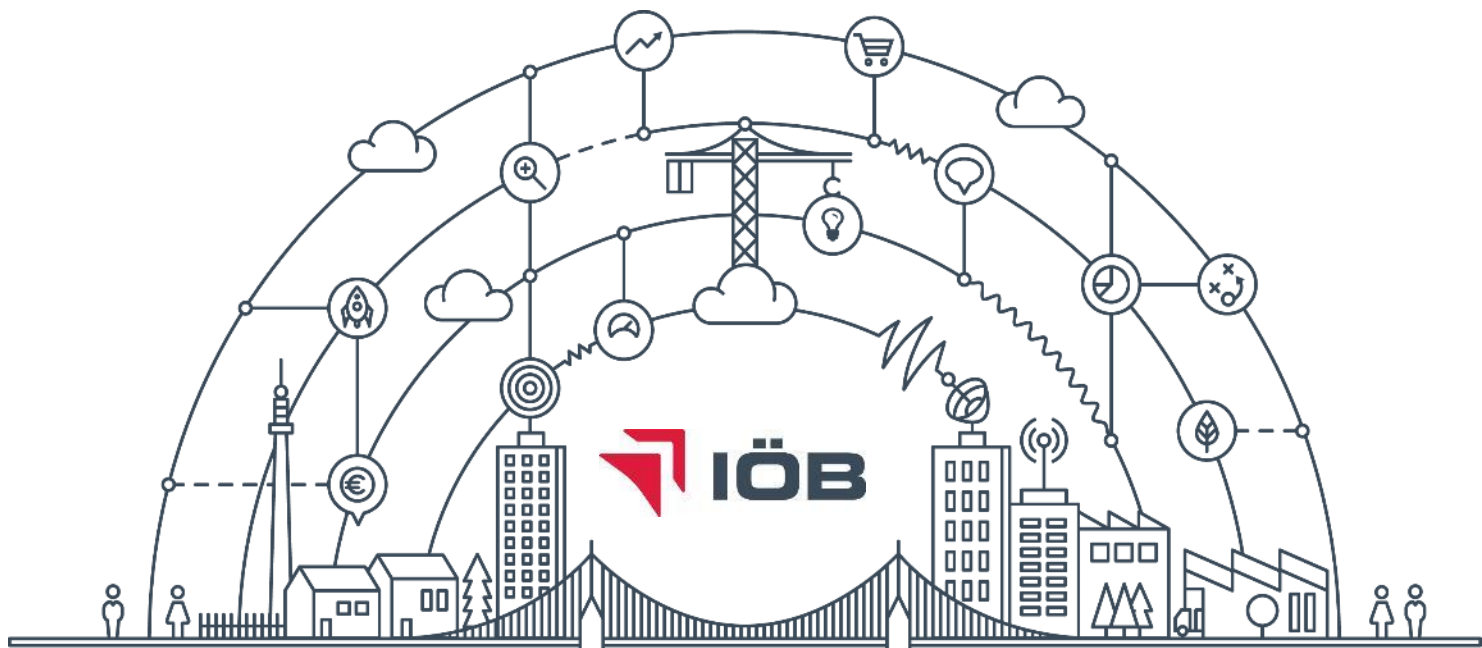
### Innovative companies

- Establishing contact with procurers
- Publicity for newly developed products
- Can create understanding for new approaches
- Can react to demand in time
- Exchange with potential customer
- Profit from fair expenditure

Take part!

## Please be aware

- A challenge on [www.ioeb-innovationsplattform.at](http://www.ioeb-innovationsplattform.at) is not a tender procedure. It is an instrument for market research and market engagement. **It offers public contracting authorities** a way to gather the information they need to decide upon further steps in an intended procurement project. **It offers possible providers, co-operation partners, bidders** a channel to make their specific approaches visible and to make sure public authorities know about their innovation before the narrowing the requirements.
- If not clearly stated otherwise (e.g. in a situation where direct awarding is applicable): Your online contribution to a challenge shall not be a formal offer / tender. A challenge will not decide upon the awarding of a contract – further and formal procedures complying with [Bundesvergabegesetz 2018](#) will be necessary.
- A challenge is never a prerequisite for participation in a tender that it might lead to. Contributors of the challenge will not have any unfair advantage in a tender.
- Read our platforms terms of use for a comprehensive understanding: <https://www.ioeb-innovationsplattform.at/nutzungsbedingungen/>
- Knowing the possibilities and limitations, **please balance your time and effort – and amaze us!**



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