

## DEVOTIO AWARDS – PARTICIPATION RULES

1. DEVOTIO Awards, organized by Conference Service Srl, on the occasion of DEVOTIO - International Religious Products and Services Exhibition, is a project dedicated to DEVOTIO exhibitors who are regularly registered. Participation is free of charge.
2. Product entries must be for a maximum of 2 (two) products per category. Please complete a registration form for each of the chosen categories.
3. To apply for one or more categories among those specified in the registration form, the exhibiting company must fill in the registration form in its entirety, including all the relevant information illustrating in detail the Concept and the reasons for which the company applies to the chosen Awards category, in order to provide the jury with all the necessary elements for evaluation. The Organizer reserves the right to reject registration forms that, in its sole discretion and unchallengeable judgement, are not in accordance with the format.
4. Applications without the registration form or any missing element requested in the registration form will be excluded.
5. DEVOTIO Organization reserves the right, after consulting with the applicant, to change the "Category" to which the company has chosen to apply by filling in the registration form, if not appropriate.
6. **Registrations must be sent no later than January 10, 2024.** Applications must be sent by e-mail to [info@devotio.it](mailto:info@devotio.it). Entrants who wish to submit projects in a different way (ie. WeTransfer) are requested to previously write to [info@devotio.it](mailto:info@devotio.it).
7. The materials sent will be selected by the Organizer at its sole discretion. Only the selected finalists will be submitted to the judgment of the jury, composed as indicated at art. 21 of this regulation, who will vote the winners of each category.
8. The application in a category cannot be withdrawn once the company has been nominated among the selected finalists.
9. The Organizer may require to selected finalists (in some cases) to provide additional product information and supporting documents.
10. Once nominated among the selected finalists, the Exhibiting Company shall display on the stand at DEVOTIO 2024 the products / technologies / services applied for the contest, to allow possible live evaluation by the jury.
11. Participating in the contest does not guarantee individual or corporate rights to use DEVOTIO AWARDS name, logo or images without the express written approval of the Organizer of DEVOTIO – Conference Service Srl. Only winners will be granted permission to use DEVOTIO Awards logo.
12. The Organizer reserves the right, at its own discretion, to exclude any application at any time and for any reason, if an inappropriate entry is found (including false or inaccurate information declared upon application).
13. No project / material received will be used for commercial purposes.
14. All members must be aware that their participation in the contest may be publicly spread. When deemed necessary or appropriate, the participant should file a patent application before the registration. Otherwise, according to the rules of DEVOTIO, each applicant will be solely responsible for ensuring any form of intellectual property protection for their product / service / technology. The Organizer is not responsible for the infringement or violation of the intellectual property of the projects after the application in the contest or the consequent advertising and promotion.
15. The Organizer will not be responsible for the proof of originality of the products or the copyright protection of the projects. Each participant remains the exclusive copyright owner, and is the solely responsible for their own design.
16. In the event of a dispute of any kind, the Organizer reserves the right to disqualify participants and / or to withdraw an award. All decisions regarding DEVOTIO Awards made by the Organizer are final and binding.
17. When registering for DEVOTIO Awards, the participant guarantees: (a) that all the details provided are true and accurate; (b) to possess all the necessary rights and licenses required by this regulation (c) to be the copyright owner of the photographs and/or the images sent and the author of the aforementioned (or to have obtained the consent of the creator of these contents for the use of the images); (d) that exercising the rights granted to DEVOTIO in this regulation does not violate the rights of third parties; also undertakes to fully compensate the Organizer (Conference Service srl) in the event of any loss, obstacle, damage, cost or unexpected expense resulting from the violation of one of these guarantees.



18. **Selected finalists will be announced on January 31st, 2024** on DEVOTIO website ([www.devotio.it](http://www.devotio.it)) and through the exhibition communication channels. Selected finalists will receive a notification by email from the Organization.
19. **Winners will be announced on Sunday February 11, 2024** at BolognaFiere, further details will be announced. The Organizer will communicate the details of the awards ceremony to the winners. The winners will receive the Awards trophy and benefit from the communication activities carried out by the Organizer to promote the Award, the winners and the Event.
20. The judges will consider any participating product rewardable even outside the criteria of the selected category and at their complete discretion, based on their relevant experience and expertise.
21. The winners will be decreed on the basis of the judgment of the jury appointed by the Organizer and composed of international experts of the religious sector and associations who will judge on February 11, 2024. Judges' decisions are final and binding and no objection or discussion will be accepted.
22. The Organizer (Conference Service Srl) is not responsible for any cost or debt participants will incur during the evaluation of the products.
23. At the discretion of the judges or the Organizer, any participant caught threatening or attempting to target the judgment of a member of the jury or the DEVOTIO Awards team will be excluded from the contest.
24. Each Participant grants the DEVOTIO Organization, Conference Service Srl, a worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use the images and materials related to the products submitted to the Award, including the rights to view, use, public display or exhibition, broadcast and republication in any media.

