



The Global LEAP Awards

NOMINATE A BEST-IN-CLASS ELECTRIC PRESSURE COOKER

Underserved communities disproportionately bear the burden of unsafe and inefficient cooking mechanisms, resulting in poor human and environmental health outcomes. Electric pressure cookers present a more energy-efficient, cost-effective clean cooking solution to communities around the world.

Accelerating commercial markets for e-cooking technology

Worldwide nearly three billion people rely on traditional fuels, such as wood or coal, to cook daily meals. Exposure to household air pollution from burning wood, charcoal, coal and kerosene is a leading risk factor for diseases. Furthermore, emissions from household cooking are a significant source of ambient air pollution and a major contributor to climate change.

Appropriately-designed and energy-efficient electric pressure cookers (EPC) can provide underserved communities, including off- and weak-grid areas, with modern energy cooking services, allowing for faster cooking times and a cleaner cooking environment. The environmental, health and gender benefits of EPC technologies have the potential to be as transformative for cooking as the LED was for lighting.



Nominate off- and weak-grid appropriate electric pressure cookers by 27 March 2020!

The Global LEAP Awards uses a competition-based approach to drive innovation in early-stage technologies. Previous rounds have focused on solar water pumps, cold chain, e-waste, and other products for underserved markets.

By providing clear and actionable signals about the quality and energy performance of off-grid appliances, the Global LEAP Awards enable companies, investors, and policymakers to make faster, better-informed decisions.

The 2020 Global LEAP Awards **Electric Pressure Cooker Competition** will recognize high-quality, energy-efficient, and affordable electric pressure cookers that are appropriate for use in underserved markets, including weak-grid areas where grid connections are intermittent and of inconsistent quality, as well as areas where energy comes from off-grid systems such as standalone DC solar home systems and renewable mini- or micro-grids [AC or DC].

Global LEAP Awards evaluates eligible products on their **quality and durability, design, energy performance, and price**. We test in accredited test laboratories according to internationally-accepted test methods, and an expert panel of judges identifies the Winners.

Manufacturers and distributors are encouraged to nominate products at globalLEAPawards.org.

The Global LEAP Awards

Benefits to Winners and Finalists

- Opportunity to find potential investors through the [Efficiency for Access Coalition Investor Network](#).
- Participate in a [global promotional campaign](#), including opportunities to interface with distributors and investors in key markets.
- Up to [\\$200,000 USD in prize money](#) will be available for winning product(s) based on their performance during laboratory and user experience testing. The products recognized by the Global LEAP Awards offer a strong balance of price, energy efficiency, performance, and reliability.

“Thank you so much for organizing such an amazing competition. We are really happy and proud to learn the result. I am genuinely impressed with the length the Global LEAP Awards goes to create a fair and transparent competition.”

Geraldine Tsui Yee Lin
Global Product Manager, Grundfos

“I am impressed with the rigor in Global LEAP Awards testing process and report. I have not seen anything done to this level before.”

Toby Hammond
Managing Director, FuturePump

Impacts



Appliance Manufacturers can differentiate their products in the marketplace and increase sales.



Utilities, mini-grid developers/operators and off-grid energy companies can more easily identify and procure super-efficient, high-quality appliances.”



Investors can identify the most promising companies in an early-stage, dynamic global market.



Policymakers and Donor Organizations will benefit from clearer information about appliance quality and efficiency, features that help the market grow.

Contact



globalLEAPawards.org

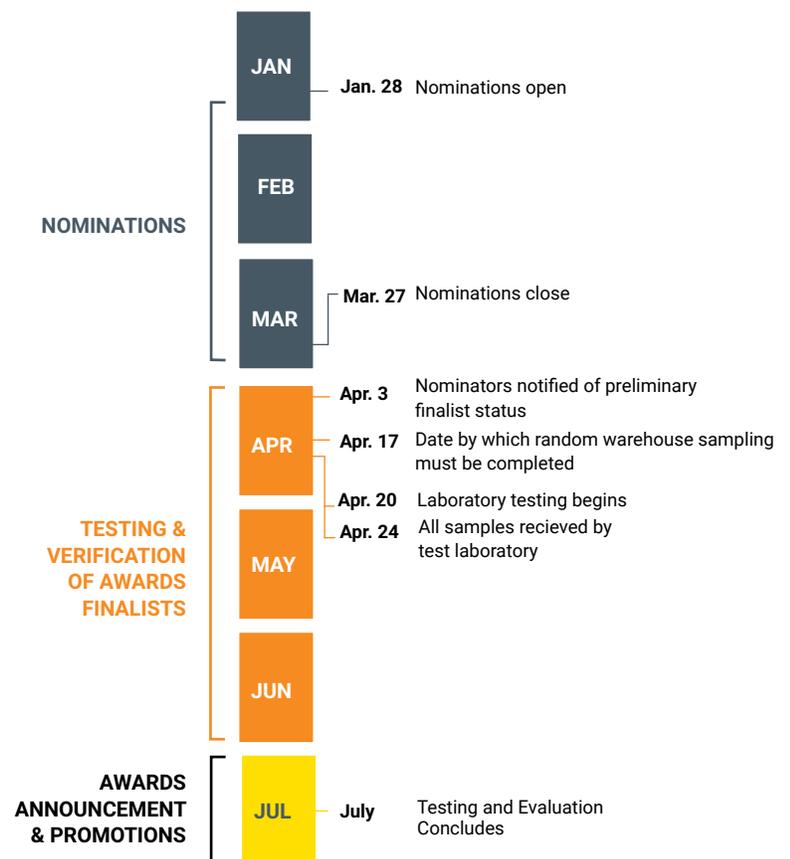


info@globalLEAPawards.org



[@LEAP_Awards](https://twitter.com/LEAP_Awards)

Timeline



Please note that the timeline is subject to change due to constraints in shipping products to the test laboratory. All preliminary finalists will be notified of changes, if necessary.



The Global LEAP Awards is a program under the Efficiency for Access coalition and is sponsored by UK aid and Modern Energy Cooking Services (MECS).

