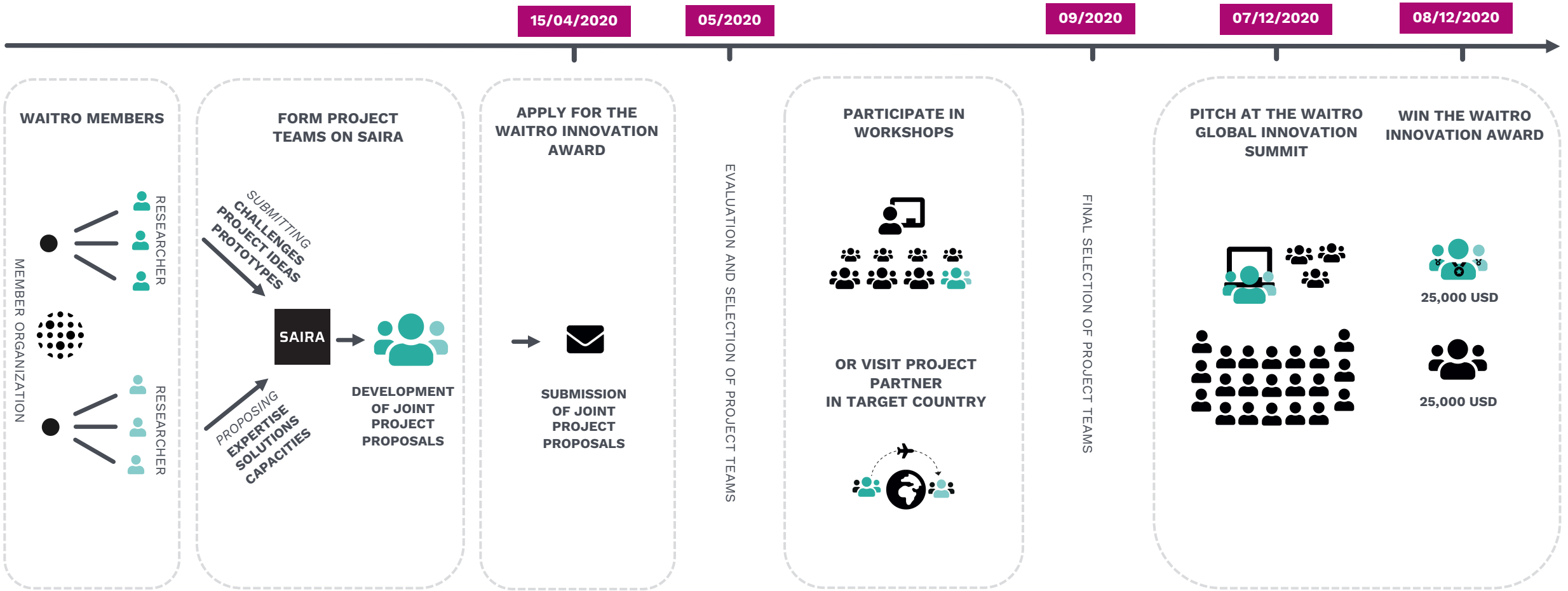


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## THE WAITRO INNOVATION AWARD

WAITRO ACCELERATES INNOVATIVE PROJECT IDEAS TO SOLVE GLOBAL CHALLENGES. TWO PROMISING PROJECT TEAMS RECEIVE THE WAITRO INNOVATION AWARD AND 25,000 USD SEED-FUNDING.

## WAITRO MEMBERSHIP

THIS OPPORTUNITY IS OPEN TO ALL RESEARCHERS WORKING AT WAITRO MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN GLOBAL COLLABORATION.

## FORMING PROJECT TEAMS

SAIRA® IS WAITRO'S OPEN INNOVATION PLATFORM THAT FACILITATES THE FORMATION OF PROJECT TEAMS. RESEARCHERS FROM MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS SIGN UP AS RESEARCHER AND/OR LOG IN ON SAIRA. RESEARCHERS FIND THEIR TEAMMATES BY UPLOADING WATER-RELATED CHALLENGES AND/OR PROJECT IDEAS OR PROPOSING SOLUTIONS AND EXPERTISE TO ALREADY UPLOADED CHALLENGES AND IDEAS FROM OTHER RESEARCHERS.

[WWW.SAIRA.ECO](http://www.saira.eco)

## DEVELOPMENT OF PROJECT PROPOSALS

PROJECT TEAMS (CONSISTING OF AT LEAST TWO MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS FROM TWO DIFFERENT COUNTRIES) DEVELOP JOINT PROJECT PROPOSALS.

## APPLICATION FOR THE WAITRO INNOVATION AWARD

PROJECT TEAMS APPLY FOR THE WAITRO INNOVATION AWARD USING THE *APPLICATION FORM GUIDE* FROM THE WAITRO INTRANET:

[WWW.WAITRO.ORG/REGISTER/](http://www.waitro.org/register/)

DEADLINE: 15<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2020

## EVALUATION AND SELECTION OF PROJECT TEAMS

THE WAITRO EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE WAITRO SECRETARIAT WILL CONDUCT AN ELIGIBILITY CHECK. A SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD WILL SELECT THE PRE-FINALISTS. PRE-FINALISTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN MAY 2020.

## CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

PRE-FINALISTS WILL BE INVITED TO WORKSHOPS TO FURTHER DEVELOP THEIR PROJECT PROPOSALS. FOR SOME PROJECT TEAMS, FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS IN TARGET COUNTRIES WILL BE ORGANIZED (EXPENSES WILL BE COVERED BY WAITRO).

DATE: JULY – AUGUST (TBD)

PLACE: TBD

## FINAL SELECTION OF PROJECT TEAMS

AFTER THE WORKSHOPS AND FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS, THE SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD WILL INTERVIEW PROJECT TEAMS TO SELECT THE FINALIST PROJECT TEAMS.

## WAITRO GLOBAL INNOVATION SUMMIT

SELECTED PROJECT TEAMS WILL BE INVITED TO PITCH THEIR INNOVATIVE PROJECT PROPOSALS AT THE WAITRO GLOBAL INNOVATION SUMMIT 2020 IN PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA (EXPENSES WILL BE COVERED BY WAITRO). TWO PROJECT TEAMS WILL BE AWARDED 25,000 USD.

DATE: 7 - 8 DECEMBER 2020

PLACE: PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA

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