



Pioneers 2071:
Questioning the Next 50 Years

Letter of Invitation

On behalf of the KAIST students and faculty, we invite you to an upcoming online conference **PIONEERS 2071: Questioning the Next 50 Years**.

The purpose of the conference is to provide undergraduate students with the opportunity to explore potential global crises that may happen over the next 50 years and propose possible solutions with policies, technology, and innovative ideas.

We will present three scenarios of potential crises as follows, and applicants will choose one topic they would like to explore:

Division 1: Environment: Pollution and Climate Change

Division 2: The Next Outbreak: Pandemic

Division 3: Education, Economics, and AI

Applicants form a group of four to eight participants and register as a team. Each team must come up with original ideology, policies, and innovative ideas to resolve the issues described in the scenario in preparation for the conference. At the conference, teams present their ideas and debate how each other's proposals may or may not be effective in resolving the crisis and making the world a better place.

Awards and Prizes

The winners of each division are given the following awards:

Grand Award (Top 1 team): \$3000

Gold (2 teams): \$2000

The second-place winners of each division are given the silver award:

Silver (3 teams): \$1000

Registration Dates: Dec 14, 2020–Jan 15, 2021 (GMT+9)

Conference Dates: Feb 2–7, 2021 (GMT+9)

Registration Link: <https://pioneers.kaist.ac.kr/register>

*The scenario and other materials required to complete your proposal will be sent via email starting from January 4th, as soon as your participation is confirmed. To ensure sufficient time to complete the proposal, we recommend you to register early.

Dates and Deadlines

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
DECEMBER						
13	14 Registration Opens	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		
JANUARY						
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Registration Closes	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Proposal Submitted by Participants	23
24	25 Result of the Preliminary Announced	26	27	28	29	30
31						
FEBRUARY						
	1	2 Conference Day 1	3 Conference Day 2	4 Conference Day 3	5 Conference Day 4	6 Conference Day 5
7 Conference Day 6	8	9	10	11	12	13

Debate Schedule:

Day	1 (Feb 2)	2 (Feb 3)	3 (Feb 4)	4 (Feb 5)	5 (Feb 6)	6 (Feb 7)
Time (GMT+9)	Scenario 1 main stage	Scenario 2 main stage	Scenario 3 main stage	Day off	Final	
00:00-08:00						
08:00-12:00	Debate 1-1	Debate 2-1	Debate 3-1		Debate 1 final	
12:00-16:00	Debate 1-2	Debate 2-2	Debate 3-2		Debate 2 final	
16:00-20:00	Debate 1-3	Debate 2-3	Debate 3-3	Result Announcement -main stage	Debate 3 final	
20:00-24:00					Result Announcement -final	

■ : Voting period for main stage
 ■ : Voting period for final

*The number of debates is subject to change depending on the number of applicants.

Please note that each team attends only two days of the conference based on the scenario that they choose. We will consider the time zone each team prefers when scheduling the rounds for debates. For further information, visit pioneers.kaist.ac.kr. Contact us via email at kaistua@gmail.com with any inquiries.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference in February!