

2025 AECT-NATO ACT Design & Development Competition Timeline

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Phase 1: Abstract

- April 4, Friday (10:00 - 11:00 AM US EDT) – NATO ACT and the Design & Development Competition Coordinating Committee will host the orientation webinar
- May 5, Monday (11:59 PM US EDT) – Deadline for Phase 1 questions
 - Note: Responses to questions will be shared via the competition microsite
- May 19, Monday (11:59 PM US EDT) – Deadline for Phase 1 submissions
- Finalists will be notified by Monday, June 16

Phase 2: Proposal

- June 17 to August 10 – The teams work with their mentors to create their proposals
- July 28, Sunday (11:59 PM US EDT) – Deadline for Phase 2 questions
 - Note: Responses to questions will be shared with all teams
- August 11, Monday (11:59 PM US EDT) - Deadline for Phase 2 submissions

Phase 3: Finalist Presentations

- September 8, Monday – Up to three finalist teams will be notified
- October 20-25, 2025 – AECT's [Annual Convention](#) (in person)
 - TBD: Presentation schedule and events
 - Note: The finalist presentations will occur in person; there will not be a virtual option in 2025

Find and review all competition information, guidelines, Q&A forms, and submission links as they are made available here:

<https://aect.connectedcommunity.org/aectnatoactdesigndevelopmentcompetition/aect-dd-competition/home>.