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IMAPS-UK Photo & Illustration Competition

The IMAPS-UK Photo & Illustration Competition (**IPICo**) is the first open competition intended to illustrate and highlight the 'beauty' and fascination of electronics packaging. Whatever it is you might be working on within the field, there will always be something that is eye-catching and interesting to others.

ℹ️ About the Competition

IPICo aims to capture these fascinating moments so they can be appreciated by the wider community — and perhaps spark interesting ideas and discussions.

This competition welcomes the contributions of electronics professionals, researchers and students from all levels and ages.

🗓️ Competition Period

The competition will open with the celebration of the next iPOWER 6 Conference on the 28th of November 2024 in Gaydon, and shall be open for **three months**, closing on 28th February 2025. Results will be announced at the next MicroTech 2025 Conference on the 20th of March 2025, in Leicester.

Start 🚀	November 28th, 2024 **(iPOWER 6)**
End	February 28th, 2025
Results	March 20th, 2025 **(MicroTech 2025)**
Mural Publication	TBC

✅ Eligibility

In order to participate, you must meet at least one of the following simple requisites:

1. Be involved in the electronics packaging industry in some way, i.e. industry, RTO, academia, start-up…
2. Have graduated from education in the past three (3) years by the start-date of the competition, OR
3. Be an active student enrolled in full-time education
4. Be a member of iMAPS organisation — membership for students is free of charge 😊 🆓
5. Be a resident of the United Kingdom, or associated with a UK organisation

The IMAPS may ask for evidence of this during the submission process.

📝 Rules

Entering the competition is free of charge to anyone who wishes to participate. In order to enter the competition, you must meet the eligibility criteria (*), and make at least one submission according to the following rules:

1. All submissions must be original work, taken by the entrants. No third party may own or control any materials the submission contains, and it must not infringe upon the trademark, copyright, moral rights, intellectual rights, or rights of privacy of any other entity or person
2. IMAPS takes no responsibility or liability in case of any infringement
3. Violators will be removed from the contest
4. The submission must be related to electronics packaging. This could be, for example (not limited to): the internals of a package, a design concept, an assembly, failure-related, process-related, etc.
5. Any single participant is allowed up to 3 entries (submissions)
6. Entries will not be accepted unless submitted via the official contest channel. Entries not submitted through the proper channel will be deleted.
7. Entries will be judged by the judges appointed by the Organising Committee. All decisions are final. The Organising Committee reserves the right to disqualify any entry that is deemed inappropriate or does not conform to stated contest rules.
8. You must adhere to the deadlines of the competition
9. Your submission will be open-sourced under the Creative-Commons **CC BY-NC-SA** License

   💡 ***This will allow authors to get attribution for their work, while allowing the wider community to share with others and make it available for non-commercial purposes.***

10. Participants should follow the Competition Dates provided. The Organising Committee reserves the right to make amendments to these dates based on the best interest of the participants.
11. Winners of the competition will be notified via email provided during registration, no later than one (1) month following the end of the competition
12. IMAPS reserves the right to publish every, or any of the entries on our website. The entry/entries may be published on the open access section of the IMAPS-UK website and other IMAPS-UK publicity with the entrant and their affiliation being acknowledged

Submission Requirements:

1. The submissions must either be a (1) a high-resolution image, or (2) a high-resolution, mute mini-clip with a maximum length of 3 seconds
2. The accepted file formats are PNG, JPEG, AVI, MKV, GIF
3. The photo or video must be in its original state and cannot be altered in any way
4. The maximum file-size is 5 MB
5. The photo or video can be taken using any imaging device. For instance, a smartphone camera, a professional camera, an infrared camera, a microscope, an X-RAY machine, an SEM, or any interesting combination of these!
6. The submission must be accompanied by a title, a short description (up to 10 words), the entrant's name, and affiliation
7. Entries should be submitted via e-mail to: office@imaps.org.uk

(*) In case of exceptional circumstances outside the outlined criteria, the Organising Committee reserves the right to include or exclude participants, based on the aims of the competition and the mission of iMAPS-UK.

👩‍⚖️ Judging Criteria

All submissions will be assessed by up to five judges (minimum of three), to be appointed by the Organising Committee.

The judges will base their assessment of the submission on quality, originality and relevance to electronics packaging.

🏆 Prizes

The following prizes will be offered to the top three entries (*), in cash-equivalent vouchers:

🥇 1st Prize: £450

🥈 2nd Prize: £300

🥉 3rd Prize: £150

(*) These prizes will be issued through an electronic gift voucher to the entrant on receipt of approval to publish their entry on the IMAPS-UK website (www.imaps.org.uk) and other IMAPS-UK publicity. Each participant may be granted only one prize, regardless of the number of entries.

📧 Contact

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or suggestions!

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The IMAPS very much looks forward to your contributions and participation...

You are officially challenged!

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