

# Pitch Deck Guideline & Checklist

**You don't have to submit the perfect deck — just a clear one.**

We want to understand what you're building and why it matters. To make things easier, here's what we're looking for — with suggested minimum info and optional extras (max. 12–15 slides total):

## 1. Cover Slide

- ✓ Startup name, logo
- ✓ Contact details & website
- ✓ Founding year & location

## 2. Problem

- ✓ What challenge are you addressing?
- ✓ Why is this either relevant for HR / Global People Mobility / Workforce Innovation or why is your solution creating a relevant public value?

## 3. Solution

- ✓ What exactly does your solution do?
- ✓ What's the key innovation/ What's the difference compared to other players on the market?

## 4. Target Group & Use Case

- ✓ **Minimum:** Who is already using your solution — or who are you actively targeting?
- ✓ **Optional:** Real use case, specific buyer role, or rollout context (e.g. HR Ops in mid-sized orgs)

## 5. Market & Opportunity

What's the general market or problem space you're operating in? You don't need detailed figures (TAM/SAM/SOM) — a rough sense of scale or trend relevance is enough.

- ✓ **Minimum:** 1–2 sentences explaining who benefits from your solution
- ✓ **Optional:** Key growth trend, pain point or segment insight (no TAM slides required)

## 6. Traction & Validation

- ✓ **Minimum:** What's your current status (e.g. MVP live, pilot in progress, first paying users)?
- ✓ **Optional:** Key KPIs, retention data, client quotes or pilot outcomes

## 7. Business Model

- ✓ **Minimum:** How do you currently deliver your solution (B2B SaaS, license, embedded tool, etc.)?
- ✓ **Optional:** Pricing logic, customer lifecycle, or monetization plan

## 8. Team

- ✓ **Minimum:** Who are the founders?
- ✓ **Optional:** What's your background/personal story? Skills/experience relevant to your solution

## 9. Vision / What's next?

- ✓ **Minimum:** What's your next step in development or growth?
- ✓ **Optional:** Long-term goal, product roadmap, internationalization plans

## 10. Optional: Ask & Goal

- ✓ Why do you want to be part of the PeopleTech Award?
- ✓ What are you currently looking for? (e.g. partnerships, funding, visibility)

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## Format & Submission

- PDF file (max. 10 MB)
- English preferred
- Submit via our application form
- Deadline: 14.09.2025