

TVET YOUTH CHALLENGE INITIATIVE 4th EDITION CALL FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS

I. BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Youth and Culture in collaboration with the Ministry of Education through Rwanda Polytechnic, UNDP and TVET Higher learning institutions are organizing the fourth edition of the TVET YOUTH CHALLENGE at school level, an initiative aimed to attract and support innovative ideas in TVET Higher learning institutions to address faced developmental challenges in communities and positively impact the community by using students' practical knowledge.

It is from this background that IPRC KITABI as one of TVET Higher learning institutions is launching a call for project proposals for TVET YOUTH CHALLENGE COMPETITION 2023.

II. OBJECTIVE OF THE COMPETITION

The overall objective of this competition is to instill the entrepreneurship spirit among students and support promising projects while connecting practical studies acquired in school to problems in our communities and inspire innovations

III. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The eligibility criteria are the followings:

- Being Rwandan aged between 16-30 years,
- Being IPRC KITABI students from year 2 and year 3,
- Having a running project or a proven feasible prototype that is embedded with technologies that modernize agriculture, health, trade, tourism, governance and business or service systems among others,
- Having Demonstrated entrepreneurship, eagerness and commitment to develop the presented project to the market,

Also the project must be:

- Innovative and Unique,
- Financial and technically stable,
- Responsive to the existing needs or problems,
- Affordable to local communities,
- Tested by relevant sample of potential customers/users

IV.AWARDS

Among the awards, winners will be given cash prizes, awarded applicants will have an equal opportunity to join the Youth Connect incubation program for mentorship and coaching services. Cash prizes at school level are set as follows:

- 1st Place: 1,500,000 Rwfs
- 2nd Place: 1,200,000 Rwfs
- 3rd Place:1,000,000 Rwf s

Note: Those three winners will be invited in a five-day boot camp to enhance their capacity in business and financial management of their prototype and have a chance to compete for TVET YOUTH CHALLENGE 2023 fourth edition at national Level.

V. Application Process

The fulfilled application form (Available in Career development and guidance office) ,a copy of national Identity Card and a copy of student card must be submitted via IPRC KITABI email : info@iprckitabi.rp.ac.rw with a copy to suwimanimpaye@iprckitabi.rp.ac.rw note later than 20th September ,2023 .For any support regarding the application ,do not hesitate to contact Mr Serge UWIMANIMPAYE, Business Incubation Specialist on 0788268848.

Done at KITABI on 08th September 2023

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