International ICT Innovative Services Awards 2024
(InnoServe Awards 2024)
REGULATIONS

➤ **About the InnoServe Awards**

The International ICT Innovative Services Awards (InnoServe Awards) has 29th year history in 2024. It is an annual global competition centered around information and communication technology, welcoming students from across the world. The objective of the InnoServe Awards is to provide a platform for students to present their information management projects as part of their graduation requirements; while at the same time, promoting academic-industry collaboration by integrating academic training and practical experience. To date, more than ten thousand teachers and students from over one hundred universities and colleges have participated in the contest which has become the largest and the most significant contest of its kind in Taiwan.

➤ **Contest Organizers**

- **Organizers:**

    Administration for Digital Industries, moda

    Department of Information and Technology Education, Ministry of Education

    Chinese Society of Information Management

- **Hosting Organization:** Taipei Computer Association

➤ **Important Dates**

May 1 (Wednesday)	Application opens (9:00 GMT+8)
September 11 (Wednesday)	Application closes (23:59 GMT+8)
Before October 1 (Tuesday)	Announcement of Finalists
November 2 (Saturday)	InnoServe Awards Final and Awards Ceremony

➤ **International Exchange Category (IC)**

1. This category is designed for international teams, all teams are expected to develop and build prototypes of '**innovative ICT applications**,' such as **smart manufacturing, blockchain, 5G, IoT, AI, big data, open data, cloud applications, mobile applications, AIoT, cybersecurity, XR, e-commerce, green-tech/substantiality, sport-tech, Generative AI, e-mobility and more.**

2. Requiring all documentations and presentations to be in **English**.

➤ **Eligibility**

- The contest is open to all students currently enrolled in undergraduate, postgraduate, or PhD program at accredited colleges or universities worldwide.

- Each team may consist of up to 8 eligible students and must have at least 1, but no more

than 2 mentors.

- If the team have won another ICT-related contest award(s) in the past, please provide the proof for reference.
- The InnoServe Awards Committees have the rights to cancel the participation qualification, disqualify the awarded winners, and revoke the prizes and certificates, if the team meets the following circumstances:
  - Participants MUST maintain their students' qualification until November 2, 2024.
  - Products are commercialized are NOT allowed to participate in the contest.
  - All the concepts, contents and program of the project shall not be involved in any plagiarism or infringement of copyrights or other laws.

➢ **Required Submission Documents**

All applications must be submitted at InnoServe online portal and uploading the following type of documents:

Description of Information System Form	The description must be submitted in MS Word format (.doc or .docx), written in **English**, and limited to 5 pages, 12-pt. (with a maximum file size of 4MB).
A copy of student ID card	All participants need to provide eligible student cards with both sides and including the expiration date.
3-minute Presentation Video	1. The video must be presented in **English** by at least one team member; any video exceeding 3 minutes in length, presented by mentors, or lacking oral description will not be included in the assessment. 2. Please upload your video to YouTube with privacy settings set to '***Unlisted***' and provide the URL at online register form.
Proof of your student's status document (If necessary)	If your Student ID card does not display an expiration date, please provide an official confirmation of your student status from your school or department. If you encounter difficulties obtaining the official confirmation, you may alternatively provide an enrollment payment confirmation.

➢ **Assessment Process**

1. 1st Stage Assessment: The judge panel will evaluate the project system form and the 3-minute video presentation from registration teams.
2. Live Final Stage: Qualified teams are required to perform a live demonstration of their prototypes in **English** in Taipei, Taiwan, including a 6-minute presentation and a 7-minute Q&A session.

➢ **Judging Criteria**

Entries will be evaluated by a panel of judges representing the industry, government, and education sectors. The assessment will assign a score range review for each sector involved in your project, as outlined in the following list:

Judging Criteria	Scoring Range
Innovativeness	30%
Practicability	45%
Presentation Performance	15%
Document Integrity	10%

➢ **Prizes**

Award	Prize
1ˢᵗ Place	$120,000 NTD (Approx. $4,000 USD) with Award Certificate
2ⁿᵈ Place	$50,000 NTD (Approx. $1,750 USD) with Award Certificate
3ʳᵈ Place	$30,000 NTD (Approx. $1,000 USD) with Award Certificate
Best Innovation Award	Award Certificate

※ All cash prizes are provided per team and are tax excluded*.

➢ **Award Package**

1. The finals are required to perform a live presentation in Taipei, Taiwan on November 2, 2024. The Award Package is available exclusively for participating mentors and students from qualified teams, accommodating up to **2 people per team**.

2. Please note that expenses such as passport fees, visa fees, and personal expenses are not covered by the award package.

● **Subsidy**

Area	Teams from **Asia-Pacific Region** (including Australia and New Zealand)	Teams from **Europe and Americas**
Airfare Subsidy Amount	**USD $ 500*** per team	**USD $2,000*** per team
Hospitality	**Hospitality will be arranged for 2 people per team; charges will apply for the 3ʳᵈ person and beyond.** The hospitality includes: • Airport Shuttle: Round-trip between Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport or Taipei Songshan Airport and the hotel. • Accommodations: ONE standard twin room at the selected hotel for 3-nights in Taipei.	

	• Selected meals during the competition day and visiting day. • 4-days local transportation in Taipei (program schedule limited).

*In accordance with the Republic of China's Income Tax Act, 20% income tax must be withheld for monetary prizes or subsidy obtained by non-residents of the Republic of China or profit-seeking enterprises which have no fixed place of business within the territory of the Republic of China.

※Please note that the organizer reserves the right to make final modifications, changes, and interpretations to the InnoServe Awards Regulations and Awards Package.

➢ **Contact Us**

For more information about the InnoServe Awards, please visit the website at
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