

Official Rules

Youth Innovation Challenge for Peace

ENTRY IN THIS COMPETITION CONSTITUTES YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THESE OFFICIAL RULES

Youth Innovation Challenge for Peace- (the “Competition” or “Contest”) is designed to encourage people (the “Entrant(s)”) to share their ideas engaging youth in peacebuilding. They can submit ideas (the ideas). A judging team (the “Judges”) will be formed to evaluate the submitted entries. The Judges will select the best five (5) ideas as preliminary ideas for innovation. The five semi-finalists will be announced through a ceremony where they will present their innovative ideas and through web portals and social media. The semi-finalists will participate in a hackathon and mentoring stage to further develop their proposed ideas. Judges will choose the winning entries, and prizes will be awarded in accordance with these Official Rules (the “Rules”) of this competition listed here in after:

ATTENTION: We are inviting only your ideas for engaging youth in peacebuilding. You do not need to submit funding proposals.

ORGANISERS: United Nations Development Programme in South Sudan

CONTEST PERIOD: 3 months (6th August to 1st November 2016)

ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS CONTEST: South Sudan citizen or permanent resident of South Sudan, a group of South Sudanese citizens, or a youth-led organization located in South Sudan: applicants should be between the ages of 18 years to 34 years old. Female innovators/developers are encouraged to apply.

HOW TO ENTER: Interested persons should send their concept/ideas to:

The Country Director UNDP

Att: Community Security & Arms Control Project,

UNDP Compound, Plot no. 21, Ministries Road, P.O Box 410, Juba – South Sudan

Or via e-mail: innovation.ss@undp.org

By 6th September 2016.

ENTRY FEE: There is no entry fee for this contest.

COMPETITION: This innovation challenge intends to increase awareness of South Sudanese regarding the use of social innovation processes for public good in

collaboration with and guidance from UNDP. Following are the specific objectives of this competition:

1. To generate ideas on engaging youth in peacebuilding
2. To identify and award an innovative idea for youth engagement in South Sudan that is replicable, scalable and financially sustainable.

The competitors will work in collaboration with UNDP and other stakeholders to develop a concrete idea / solution. Applicants are expected to engage in ideation and think of innovative ideas that can be tested on involving the youth in constructive ways in peace building. The competition will judge ideas not funding proposals.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES: One per individual, group of individuals, or organization.

LANGUAGE: English

REQUIREMENTS:

1. **Nationality:** Citizen or permanent resident of South Sudan
2. **Age:** Youth from 18-34 years old; youth-led organizations with teams consisting of youth ages 18-34 years old are also eligible
3. **Location:** The Location of applicants should be in South Sudan
4. **Ideas for Peacebuilding:** Ideas developed should work towards promoting youth involvement and engagement on peace-related activities, or activities that help achieve stability in South Sudan.
4. **Target group:** Potential audience for the ideas created as part of the Youth Innovation Challenge for Peace are youth citizens and residents of South Sudan.

PUBLICATION OF RESULTS:

The winners, their ideas and their adaptation into existing projects and/or implementation will be featured in the UNDP communication platforms including social media and efforts will be made to publicize through mainstream media as well at the beginning of November.

JUDGING COMMITTEE:

A group of experts will evaluate the proposed ideas, select the five (5) semi-finalists to compete, and award the prizes in accordance with the Rules.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

The submitted ideas will be judged based on the following criteria:

- Completeness of required information
- Creativity and originality of idea
- Addresses the issue: does the idea engage youth in peace?
- Viable in the long-term and financially sustainable
- Number of youth and general population who could benefit

- Implementable and realistic
- Scalable and replicable
- Gender and social inclusion consideration

SELECTION OF WINNERS:

The list of five (5) pre-selected semi-finalist individuals/teams will be announced in a public event and using social media. Each one of the teams will develop their ideas further and will refine the idea through technical assistance and mentoring stages.

The selected semi-finalist teams will participate in a one (1) day social innovation hackathon, working with technical teams of UNDP, contest partners, and / or other experts of their choice in South Sudan. This work will continue after announcement of the semi-finalists.

The semi-finalists will present their ideas to the judging committee in a public event. An award ceremony will be organized to announce the winner of the competition publicly. Three prizes will be awarded to semi-finalists. These prizes are designed to pilot the concept ideas developed.

PRIZES ON OFFER:

Award ceremony will be organized to announce the winner of the competition publicly. The teams will be awarded with the following prizes to implement their ideas:

1 st Prize:	USD 10,000
2 nd Prize:	USD 6,000
3 rd Prize:	USD 4,000

In addition to the cash prize, the five (5) semi-finalists will receive development and mentoring by selected experts during the mentoring stage.

OTHER CONDITIONS:

The organizers of the contest reserve the right to change the details of these terms of reference, modify the desired results, timeframes and modalities of delivery to best suit the purpose of collaborative design of the intended product. Participants and innovators will be kept informed of the change through the websites in which these rules and ToR are advertised.

UNDP does not cover any expenses that may incur in relation to participation in the competition unless prior approval was granted in written form.

Except as is otherwise expressly provided in writing, UNDP shall be entitled to all intellectual property and other proprietary rights including, but not limited to, patents, copyrights, and trademarks, with regard to products, processes, inventions, ideas, know-how, or documents and other materials which the Innovator has developed for UNDP and which bear a direct relation to or are produced or prepared or collected in consequence of, or during the course of this competition.