

CALL FOR

ISNET'S OUTSTANDING AWARD PROGRAM ON IMPLEMENTING SDGS THROUGH SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Inter-Islamic Network on Space Sciences & Technology Réseau Inter-Islamique Des Sciences Spatiales Et De La Technologie

الشبكة البينية الاسلامية حول علوم و نكنولوجيا الفضاع

ABOUT THE AWARD PROGRAM

ISNET Secretariat would like to invite best practices/initiatives/ case studies from its member countries for its "Outstanding Award on Implementing SDGs through Space Science & Technology".

The award program shall focus on actions that not only enhance existing knowledge, but also brings about positive transformation to the context of the subject that is being studied, however small it may be. The conclusions and results of this type of action/initiative should lead to improvement of the studied context and the betterment of society as a whole.

We would request participants to reflect on what they have achieved in the past, and how we can further amplify the impact of our work for achieving SDGs.

SELECTION/ PRIZES

- The awards will be given to the initiative that holds the greatest promise for improving our understanding of harnessing space-based technology & applications for achieving the SDGs and puts forth clear, articulate and well researched policy implications to address relevant areas
- The 3 winning initiatives will receive cash prize worth US\$ 2,000, US\$ 1,500 and US\$ 1,000
- Winning entries will be uploaded on ISNET's webpage

ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open only to citizens or permanent residents of ISNET member states who are:-

- Senior undergraduates, post graduates and doctoral students
- Researchers from related scientific institutions
- Space technology enthusiasts

ENTRY CONTENT

- The content of entry must be in English language and at least include the following elements:
 - Abstract
 - Objectives and expected outcomes of the initiative
 - Interdisciplinary scope of the initiative
 - Likely impact of the initiative on SDG related needs (local and/or global)
- The word count should not exceed 2000
- For references please use the Harvard referencing style. Failure to properly acknowledge sources may constitute disqualification
- In case of lack of quality of submissions, the Jury reserves the right to extend the competition
- The file should be submitted in unlocked PDF document under 10 MB. The name of the file should be "IAP_Name_Country"

CONDUCT MODALITIES

- The said competition shall either be conducted completely online or if COVID situation improves, its final evaluation round may be held as special session during SUPARCO's upcoming International Conference on Space (ICS-2022)
- In case of on-site evaluation, the top 10x finalists shall deliver their presentations online and the judges shall evaluate the finalists on-site during ICS

REVIEW CRITERIA

The evaluation will be made based on originality, scientific content and detail, description of concept and impact, and writing quality. Each entry shall be evaluated by renowned experts on the subject. The shortlisted entries will be scored on a scale of 0-10 for each of the 3 criteria below for a maximum overall score of 30 points (similar to UN SDG Action Awards): -

Impact:

What kind of tangible impact has this initiative had? What are the direct benefits and to whom? – (0-10)

Approach:

How is this initiative new or transformative in comparison to what has been done before? Is it a breakthrough idea or process, or a whole new way to address an issue? Is it including those often left behind? (0-10)

Scalability/Replicability:

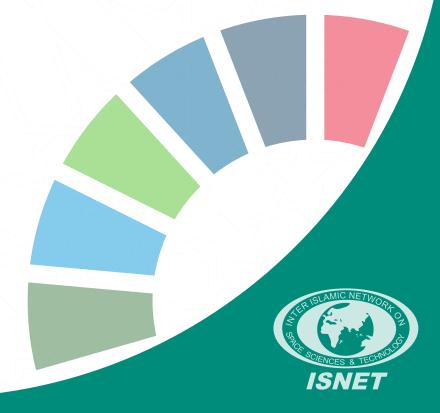
Does this initiative have the potential to scale up or be replicated to create a greater impact? (0-10)

DEADLINE

Submission needs to be emailed to

isnetsectt@gmail.com by

10 Feb 2022, 23:59 GMT



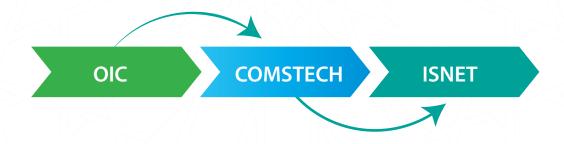
ABOUT ISNET

OIC's Standing Committee for Scientific & Technological Cooperation (COMSTECH) is responsible for promoting Science & Technology among OIC member states. Inter-Islamic Network on Space Sciences & Technology (ISNET) is one of its networks and was formed in September 1987.

Pakistan Space & Upper Atmosphere Research Commission (SUPARCO) hosts the network at Karachi, Pakistan.

Since its establishment, the Network has been tasked with the long-term function of promoting space sciences, space technology and its applications for peaceful purposes in OIC member states and to foster meaningful cooperation among them. It is an inter-state, non-political and non-profit self-governing agency.

At present, ISNET has a membership of 17 countries. The activities are carried out through the annual financial contribution of active member states.



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