Can YOU Change the World?

Show us how and you could win US$10,000!

The IEEE Presidents’ Change the World Competition recognizes students who develop unique solutions to real-world problems using engineering, science, computing and leadership skills to benefit their community or humanity.

Tell us how you have made a positive impact in the world and you could win US$10,000 plus a free trip to the 2009 IEEE Honors Ceremony in Los Angeles, California, USA.

For complete details and eligibility requirements, visit ieee125.org/ChangetheWorld

Prizes:

- IEEE Student Humanitarian Supreme: US$10,000
- IEEE Distinguished Student Humanitarian: US$5,000
- IEEE Exceptional Student Humanitarian: US$2,500
- IEEE Outstanding Student Humanitarian: US$1,000 (up to five awarded)
- People’s Choice (online vote): US$500
Submit Your Entry Today!

The IEEE Presidents’ Change the World Competition is your chance to show the world how you’ve made a difference in your local community or on a grander scale.

Can I enter the competition?
If you are a student and at least 18 years of age—then this is the competition for you. You can compete as an individual or a team, but there must be at least one IEEE Student Member on the team at the time of entry. Teams are not limited to the same country or region, but can be a global collaborative group.

Don’t forget to register early and let us know you are working on a project!

Can I have help?
The intent and spirit of the competition is for students to solve a problem. Students must play the primary role in the problem-solving; however, they may receive technical and financial assistance from others.

How do I enter?
Submit your entry using the online form at ieee125.org/ChangeTheWorld between 1 Sept 2008 and 28 Feb 2009. You’ll need to include:
• Project title
• Problem description
• Solution
• Impact on humanity or a community
• Team leader’s name and contact information as well as their college/university
• The names of other student contributors
• Any web addresses or links to photos to support your entry

What makes an entry a winner?
The winning entry will be selected based on the results achieved and their impact on humanity, or on a community.

Sustainability, reusability, transportability of the results to other parts of the world, entrepreneurship, originality, creativity and leadership are important, but secondary, evaluation factors.

Who makes the decision?
In short, IEEE’s members and for one of the prizes—the general public.

Entries will be reviewed by IEEE Regional Student Activities Committees by 30 March 2009 in 10 global regions. From there, the entries will be evaluated by a global judging committee and the top 15 finalist projects will be selected by 20 April 2009. The three IEEE Presidents (2008, 2009 and 2010) will then choose the prize winners from those top 15 entries by 10 May 2009.

What about the People’s Choice Winner?
The top 15 projects will be posted on the competition Web site and a public vote will be made for the winner of the People’s Choice prize.

How will you award the prizes?
One representative from each team/individual from the top three prize winners will be invited to receive their prizes* on 18 June 2009 at the 2009 IEEE Honors Ceremony in Los Angeles, California, USA. Roundtrip coach airline tickets for each winner to Los Angeles and a two night stay at a selected hotel in Los Angeles will be provided by the IEEE for winners, if individuals, or for one representative of each winning team.

All remaining prizes will be presented by a local IEEE representative.

*As permitted by law.

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