

## 2026 International ICT Innovative Services Awards (InnoServe Awards 2026) Regulation and Rules

### ➤ About the InnoServe Awards

The International ICT Innovative Services Awards (InnoServe Awards) 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 competition which has become the largest and the most significant competition of its kind in Taiwan.

### ➤ Competition 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

### ➤ Schedule

Date	Content
June 1 (Monday)	Application opens at 09:00 a.m.
September 11 (Friday)	Application closes at 09:00 a.m.
Before September 24 (Thursday)	Announcement of Finalists
November 7 (Saturday)	InnoServe Awards Final and Awards Ceremony

All times are in Taiwan time (GMT+8)

### ➤ International Exchange Category (IC)

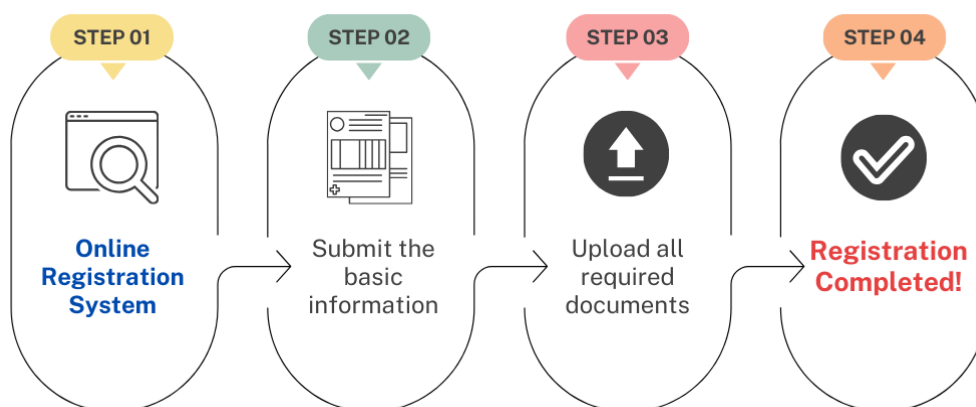
1. This category is required all documentations and presentations to be in **English**.
2. This category is designed for international teams with innovative ICT or computer technology projects. Eligible projects may focus on, but are not limited to, areas such as AI, AIoT, blockchain, cloud applications, cybersecurity, medical technology, mobile applications, open data, XR, e-commerce, green technology/sustainability, smart manufacturing, sport-tech, e-mobility, etc.

➤ **Eligibility**

1. The competition is open to all students currently enrolled in undergraduate, postgraduate, or PhD program at accredited colleges or universities.
2. Participants **MUST maintain their students' qualification until November 7, 2026.**
3. Each team may register for one project, consist of up to 8 eligible students and must have at least 1, but no more than 2 mentors.
4. If the team has won another ICT-related competition award(s) in the past, please provide the proof for reference.
5. Projects are commercialized are **NOT allowed** to participate in the competition.

➤ **Registration Steps**

All applications must be submitted at [Online Registration System](#).



➤ **Required Submission Documents**

<b>Description of Information System Form</b>	The form must use <a href="#">Appendix 1</a> and be submitted in MS Word format (.doc or .docx), written in <b>English</b> , and limited to 5 pages, Times New Roman 12-pt. (with a maximum file size of 4MB).
<b>A copy of student ID cards<sup>1</sup></b>	All participants need to provide eligible student cards with both sides and including the expiration date.
<b>3-minute Presentation Video</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>The video must be presented in English by at least one team member with prototype/slide illustration.</b></li> <li>2. Any video exceeding 3 minutes in length, presented by mentors, or lacking oral description will not be included in the assessment.</li> <li>3. Please upload your video to YouTube with privacy settings set to '<b>Unlisted</b>' and provide the URL at online register form.</li> </ol>

<sup>1</sup> **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. **1<sup>st</sup> Stage Assessment:** The judge panel will evaluate the project system form and the 3-minute video presentation from registration teams.
2. **Final Round:** Qualified teams must perform a presentation of their prototypes in **English**, consisting of a 6-minute presentation and a 7-minute Q&A session.

➤ **Evaluation Criteria**

Criteria	Weight
Innovativeness	30%
Practicability	45%
Presentation Performance	15%
Document Integrity	10%

➤ **Prizes**

Award	Prize
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b>	\$120,000 NTD with Award Certificate
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b>	\$50,000 NTD with Award Certificate
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b>	\$30,000 NTD with Award Certificate
<b>Best Innovation Award</b>	Award Certificate

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

➤ **Competition Rules**

1. Participating teams agree to abide by all competition guidelines and decisions made by the organizer, including evaluation criteria and results.
2. The participating teams retain the copyright to their submitted projects.
3. Teams agree to provide materials (descriptions, videos) and participate in interviews and photography, free of charge. The organizer may use the materials non-profit for promotion domestically and internationally.
4. The organizer reserves the right to disqualify teams and revoke awards, including prizes and certificates, under the following circumstances:
  - (1) Participants do not have their students' qualification until November 7, 2026.
  - (2) Projects have been commercialized.
  - (3) Submission of false or misleading information.
  - (4) Plagiarism, unauthorized use, or infringement of patents, proprietary technologies, copyrights, or other intellectual property rights.
  - (5) Conduct that disrupts the competition or unfairly impacts other teams.
  - (6) Violation of any competition rules or regulations.
  - (7) Submitting multiple entries from the same team or submitting the same project under different team names or members.

- (8) Failure to comply with registration procedures or incomplete submission of required materials.
- 5. After registration deadlines, team members may not be changed, nor may new members be added.
- 6. Prize recipients are subject to taxation according to Taiwan's tax laws (foreign nationals: 20%). Winners must complete all necessary tax forms before receiving the prize.
- 7. The organizer reserves the right to amend the competition rules and award package as necessary and will announce updates on the competition website. Participants are responsible for staying informed about any changes.

➤ **Award Package**

- 1. **The qualified finals are required to attend the final round presentation in Taipei, Taiwan on November 7, 2026.**
- 2. The Award Package is available exclusively for participating students and mentors from qualified teams up to **2 people per team\***.
- 3. Please note that expenses such as passport fees, visa fees, personal expenses and other expenses are not covered by the award package.
- 4. Subsidies:

Area	Teams from <b>Asia</b>	Teams from <b>Americas, Europe and Africa</b>	Teams from <b>Australia and New Zealand</b>
<b>Airfare Subsidies</b>	<b>USD \$ 500</b> per team	<b>USD \$1,000</b> per person; up to USD \$2,000 per team	<b>USD \$500</b> per person; up to USD \$1,000 per team
<b>Hospitality</b>	<p><b>*Hospitality will provide one double room per team for two people. Additional charges will apply for second room or for a third person and beyond.</b></p> <p>Other includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Airport Shuttle: Round-trip between Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport or Taipei Songshan Airport and the hotel.</li> <li>• Accommodations: one double room at the selected hotel for 3- nights in Taipei.</li> <li>• Selected meals during the competition day and visiting day.</li> <li>• 4-days local transportation in Taipei (program schedule limited).</li> </ul>		

➤ **Contact Us**

For more information about the InnoServe Awards, please visit the website at <http://innoserve.tca.org.tw/en> or email at [innoserveawards.ic1@gmail.com](mailto:innoserveawards.ic1@gmail.com)

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