



Call for Entries

Rationale:

As we face the new challenges brought about by the fast modernizing information and communication technologies (ICTs), we have to be more innovative and creative in terms of the services and initiatives that our eCenters could offer to the community where we operate.

In consideration of this context, the PhilCeCNet is redesigning the “i-Level UP pa MORE” component of our KEC to give it a twist and be more aligned with our theme of “eCenters of the Next Frontier”.

Contest Mechanics:

1. Open to all PhilCeCNet Members of good standing (last 3 years of membership fees fully paid)
2. Each eCenter can submit one project proposal only.
3. Entries should have the following characteristics:
 - Should focus on an innovative service/initiative/program that the eCenter can offer to the community where it operates
 - Should be based on the core business of eCenters: modern/digital ICTs.
 - Should address a major concern of the community
 - Should be replicable
 - Should be able to show indications of impact after one year of implementation
4. Entries will be judged based on the following criteria:
 - Innovativeness: 35%
 - Relevance/appropriateness to the problem/major concern that it will try to address: 35%
 - Replicability: 10%
 - Harnessing partnerships/networking: 10%
 - Sustainability: 10%

5. There will be three (3) categories of the award:
 - a. PCAARRD ICT Innovation Award for Agriculture and Aquatic Natural Resources where the entry focuses on the use of modern ICTs for agriculture, environment, fisheries, forestry, and natural resources
 - b. PLDT ICT Innovation Award for Education where the entry focuses on the use of modern ICTs for education and lifelong learning
 - c. QPL ICT Innovation Award for Countryside Development which is a more generic category which looks at the use of modern ICTs for community/manpower development
6. **Deadline for entries: 5 August 2019; 5:00 PM**
7. A panel of judges will be formed by PhilCeCNet to evaluate the entries based on the category of the award.
8. Finalists will be notified on **8 August 2019**.
9. The finalists will present their proposed projects for the final evaluation of the panel of judges during the 14th KEC. Each proponent will be given **only 5 minutes** to present/pitch the proposal.
10. Three winners will be declared, one for each category. Each winner will receive P50,000 to fund the implementation of the proposed project. PhilCeCNet will monitor the project implementation. The result of the project will be presented in the following year's KEC and will be evaluated again. Additional prize consisting of a laptop and P25,000 cash will be given to the best project. The conference fees of the 3 winners will be waived for the following year's KEC.
11. All the ideas contained in the entries will be licensed under Creative Commons (CC-BY-NC), meaning others can adopt the idea, the proponent will have to be acknowledged and the one who adopted it cannot sell it.
12. All entries must be emailed to: **philcecenet2014@gmail.com**
13. Entries (Paper format) should contain the following information:
 - Project Title
 - Project Rationale (Should include why the initiative is being proposed and the description of the community concern that it will try to address)
 - Objectives (Should be specific; measurable; time bound; attainable; and realistic)
 - Implementation mechanics (should include the project activities to be implemented to attain the objectives set; schedule of activities implementation; networks to be established; etc)
 - Monitoring and Evaluation (should include the concrete indicators to be considered as well as the milestones within the one year period)
 - Budgetary Requirements (how the P50,000 grant will be used)