



Trade Division
 Seychelles Ministry of Finance, Trade, Investment and Economic Planning

Essay and Video Competition on Intellectual Property 2020

Competition Entry Form

School			
Contact Details of the School			
Type of submission	<input type="checkbox"/>	Video	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Essay	
Title of video or essay			
Essay			
Name of student			
Video			
Name of team			
Name of student(s) (maximum 3 if it is a group)	Grade level		
Contact Details			
Telephone number(s)	Student(s)		
	Parent(s) or Guardian(s)		
E-mail(s)			
Address(es)			
Signature of participant(s)			
Signature of Headteacher		School's seal	

COMPETITION INFORMATION

The World Intellectual Property (IP) Day is celebrated on the 26th April of every year and the annual theme is selected by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). This year's theme was '*Innovate for a Green Future*'. According to WIPO, carving a pathway to a green future is a modern-day imperative. The World IP Day campaign of 2020 puts innovation and the rights that support it at the heart of the efforts to shape a low-carbon future, hence the decided theme '*Innovate for a Green Future*'.

In this light, the Trade Division of the Ministry of Finance, Trade, Investment and Economic Planning as the Chair of the National Intellectual Property Committee is launching a competition whereby students can either submit a video or an essay to stand the chance at winning a prize!

As a general rule, the author or creator of an original creative expression is the owner of the copyright that comes from the creation of the literary or artistic work. This is by law covered by the Seychelles Copyright Act, 2014.

Competitions typically have a set of rules for participating or entering the competition. Participants will therefore need to read the Competition Rules carefully before entering their work into this competition. The Competition Rules will provide details on how the competition will be carried out and what will happen to all entries, including the winning entries.

As the organiser, the Government of Seychelles intends to secure rights to use, display and/or publish the entries for the purpose of awareness on the subject matter at hand.

On that note, it should be noted that the intention of this is not to assign ownership of copyright or other intellectual property rights arising from the production of the video(s) or essay(s) to the Government of Seychelles, as we would wish for the participants to keep ownership of their work and rights conferred therefrom.

Therefore, participants shall own the copyright or any other intellectual property rights to the video or essay and will continue to do so even after they have submitted the work. The purpose of the Competition Rules is primarily to create a licence for the Government of Seychelles to use, display and/or publish the video or essay for specific purposes whilst the competitors/participants retain the exclusive rights obtained through the creation of their video(s) or essay(s).

In regards to liability, participants and/or their parent/guardian will be asked to provide a warranty, by signing the forms provided, that the work is their own and that they own the copyright. The Competition Rules will also outline instances where entries will be disqualified. This is to ensure that submissions are not plagiarised or infringing the copyright or other intellectual property rights of other persons.

Finally, it is vital to note that the submissions should not be reproductions, republications or infringing of any other person's copyrighted work.

Brief description

The competition is for secondary (both public and private) level students only and entries must be by one student for essays and a group of maximum 3 persons (or one student or two students) for videos. The participants will be given a reasonable timeframe to submit their video or essay and will be judged according to the set criteria below.

Essay Instruction	Minimum word count
<p><i>The World IP Day 2020 theme was ‘Innovate for a Green Future’. World IP Day 2020 thus puts innovation (and the IP rights that support it) at the heart of efforts to create a Green future. This is because the choices we make today will shape our tomorrow. The earth is our home and we need to care for it.</i></p> <p><i>Write an essay to share your thoughts on the matter.</i></p>	500 words
Video Instruction	Maximum time limit
<p><i>Produce a video that is promoting Intellectual Property, what it is and/or how important it is to create and invent new things. Given that the Trade Division would like to create more visibility on the importance of IP in Seychelles, videos that can show the concept of ‘Innovate for a Green Future’ will stand a better chance at winning a prize!</i></p>	3 minutes

Entries must be made by Secondary school students and Consent Forms must be signed by a parent or guardian. The top 3 winners of the essay or video competition will be awarded a prize and their work may feature on the website of the Ministry of Finance, Trade, Investment and Economic Planning, its newsletter and/or its affiliated portal(s).

The competition closes at **4pm on Monday 13th July, 2020**. The competition winners will be announced in **August, 2020** and shortlisted participants will be notified through the contact details provided by them in regards to the awards.

Criteria

For the essay, participants will need to demonstrate knowledge of Intellectual Property (IP) and what it means to innovate for a green future. For the video, participants are encouraged to be as creative as possible. Although general demonstration on IP will be sufficient for the videos, participants that can also demonstrate connections to the concept ‘Innovate for a Green Future’ would stand a better chance at winning a prize. Therefore, the essay or video will be judged in terms of creativity, originality and message content. The decisions of the judges will be final.

Materials (i.e. essay or video) will be judged over a score of (100) points on the following criteria:

Criterion	Description	Points
Originality	Entries must be the students’ own work, in the student’s own words, and may include thoughtful observations. Essays or videos must reflect that the student has carefully examined and thought through the topic.	40
Creativity /Innovation	How much does this work stand out from the rest?	20

Message Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If it is an essay, does the student apply/address the theme of “Innovate for a Green Future”? ▪ If it is an essay, how well is it structured? ▪ If it is a video, is it relevant? Can it be used for further awareness on what IP is? ▪ If it is a video, is it presented in a logical sequence? 	40
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Contact

Submissions must be made to the Trade Division and submitted to trade@finance.gov.sc, or submitted through DropBox/We Transfer or hand delivered to the following address by Monday 13th July, 2020, 4pm:

Trade Division
Ministry of Finance, Trade, Investment and Economic Planning
2nd Floor
Maison Esplanade
Francis Rachel Street
Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles

COMPETITION RULES

1. Qualification for entry

- 1.1. The Competition is open to Secondary School students only.
- 1.2. Participation in this Competition is not available to –
 - a) Individuals that do not meet the criteria set out in the Competition Information;
 - b) Persons whose participation has been withdrawn, suspended or terminated.

2. Agreement by Participants

BY SIGNING THE ENTRY FORM, PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THESE RULES.

- 2.1. In order to participate as a Competitor in this Competition, Participants must –
 - a) have acquired consent evidenced by the signing of the Consent Form from their Parent or Guardian. (Where the applicant is above 18 years of age, a Consent Form is not required.), and;
 - b) register participation according to the Competition Information.
- 2.2. The Participants agree to allow the Government of Seychelles to republish or make available the Contents provided by them through its Website or affiliated portal(s).
- 2.3. Acceptance of registration is at the sole discretion of the Government of Seychelles, and it shall be communicated to the applicants accordingly.
- 2.4. Participants are responsible for the registration of their works as a copyright in accordance with the Copyright Act, 2014 and the Copyright (Voluntary Registration) Regulations, 2015.
- 2.5. The Government of Seychelles may communicate with Participants through the contact details provided at registration. Participants must notify the Government of Seychelles within a reasonable time if there are any changes to their details.
- 2.6. Participants may withdraw their participation at any time and without cause by notifying the Government of Seychelles, provided that the notification is made 48 hours prior to the set deadline for submission whereby entry for the Competition will be officially closed.
- 2.7. Participants must ensure that any Content provided by them, in respect of this Competition:
 - a) is not false, inaccurate, misleading or fraudulent;
 - b) does not reproduce, republish, plagiarise or infringe any other person's Intellectual Property Rights or other rights arising at law or otherwise;
 - c) is not obscene, defamatory, libellous, threatening or harassing;
 - d) does not violate any applicable law;

- e) does not contain or describe pornography and is not otherwise harmful to any person, especially persons under the age of 18 years; and
- f) will not create liability for the Government of Seychelles.

2.8. If the Government of Seychelles believes that any Content contravenes rule 2.7., it may destroy that Content, terminate the participation of the person who submitted the Content and/or take any other steps as it deems necessary to protect itself or other person against any Loss. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Government of Seychelles will not be liable for any Loss to any person arising from the destruction of Content under this Competition.

3. Agreement by Competition Host

3.1. The Trade Division, as the Competition Host, will be responsible for managing the organisation and coordination of the Competition.

3.2. The Competition Host, shall ensure that any Content provided has not been obtained:

- a) by fraud;
- b) in breach of any copyright, trademark or other Intellectual Property Right;
- c) in breach of any right of privacy or other right arising under applicable law;
- d) without limiting any of the foregoing, in breach of any other applicable law; or
- e) in any way that may create liability for the Government of Seychelles, its members of staff, any Competitors or any other relevant person.

3.3. The Competition Host shall ensure that the Winner is selected according to the criteria set out in the Competition Information.

4. Intellectual Property Right

4.1. The Competition Host acknowledges that the Participants remains at all times the owner of any Intellectual Property Rights in and to the Videos or Essays and will continue to be the owner after the submission of their video or essay.

4.2. The Participants, by way of submitting the signed Consent Form, authorise the Government of Seychelles to use, display and/or publish the video or essay for the purpose of raising awareness or sensitising the public on the relevant topic, event or activity, as it sees fit.

5. Disputes

5.1. Any disputes arising out of this Agreement shall be addressed in accordance with the laws of Seychelles and the recourses available under any relevant law of Seychelles.

6. Miscellaneous

6.1. The Government of Seychelles accepts video or essay submissions from Competitors in good faith and on the basis of warranties provided by Competitors

6.2. All notices, requests, demands, consents, approvals, offers, agreements or other communications given by the Participant to the Government of Seychelles must be emailed to the Trade Division of Ministry of Finance, Trade, Investment and Economic Planning at trade@finance.gov.sc or submitted to the following address:

Trade Division
Ministry of Finance, Trade, Investment and Economic Planning
P.O Box 313
Second Floor
Maison Esplanade
Francis Rachel Street
Victoria
Mahé
Seychelles

I confirm that I have read these Competition Rules and undertake to abide by the obligations which it imposes on me.

Name of Student: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature of Student: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____