

2022 WITSA Global Innovation and Tech Excellence Awards Nomination Form

The 2022 WITSA Global Innovation and Tech Excellence Awards (formerly known as *the Global ICT Excellence Awards*) will be presented to select individuals, academic institutions, corporations, NGOs or governments whose use and applications of digital technologies exhibit exceptional achievement within the following broad categories:

Private Sector/NGO	Public Sector
Digital Opportunity/Inclusion Award	Digital Opportunity/Inclusion Award
Smart Cities Award	Smart Cities Award
Sustainable Growth/Circular Economy Award	Sustainable Growth/Circular Economy Award
Innovative eHealth Solutions Award	Innovative eHealth Solutions Award
Public/Private Partnership Award	Public/Private Partnership Award
E-Education & Learning Award	E-Education & Learning Award
Emerging Digital Solutions Award	Startup Ecosystem Award

In addition, a *Chairman's Award* will be presented to a nominee selected from the entire pool of candidates from all award categories.

Candidates for these Awards are nominated by ICT experts from around the world who span over 80 countries/economies. The 2022 *WITSA Global ICT Excellence Awards* will take place in conjunction with the September 13-15, 2022 World Congress on IT in Penang, Malaysia (<https://wcit2022.com/>).

Emerging Digital Solutions Award

The Emerging Digital Solutions winner is selected for their proven and scalable innovative digital solutions capable of transforming the wellbeing, prosperity, connectivity or productivity of others around the world.

This award will take into consideration the successful application of ICT in such areas as humanitarianism, health, social awareness and justice, rule of law, sustainable growth, business and commerce, health care, education, as well as the effective delivery of public services and transparency.

The Emerging Digital Solutions program recognizes early-stage or veteran companies whose solutions are new, and scalable to other locations throughout the world. The Emerging Digital Solutions program is looking for solutions that can be presented to interested policy makers, investors, corporations and social stakeholders with the potential to boost its development and deployment, aiming to significantly impact individuals, groups and societies.

YOUR NOMINEES (limit three nominations per award category). *Please specify whether the nominee(s) are for the private or public sector category.*

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REASONS FOR NOMINATION (NOTE: It is important that you make a detailed description of the nominee and why you think the nomination is justified. The absence of a detailed summary of qualifications as they *relate* to the above-mentioned award description will make it difficult for the awards committee to make an appropriate assessment of the candidate):

ENCISO SYSTEMS develops and operates websites for the most advanced astronomical observatories in the world. Through their proven and scalable open-source web platform called *Djangoplicity* (www.djangoplicity.com), organizations such as the European Southern Observatory (www.eso.org), the International Astronomical Union (www.iau.org), the National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory (www.noirlab.edu), the Hubble (www.esahubble.org) and Webb (www.esaweb.org) Space Telescopes, among others; improve their productivity and reach tens of millions around the globe to fulfill their missions to improve the education and public understanding of science in both developed and developing nations.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION: Please send any supporting information to the address above, including information from candidate (i.e. excerpt from program description, web site print-out, press release, etc.)

- Announcement regarding ENCISO SYSTEMS contribution in the implementation of Djangoplicity at NOIRLab <https://noirlab.edu/public/announcements/ann20012/>
- Instagram post celebrating ENCISO SYSTEMS award for the implementation at NOIRLab <https://www.instagram.com/p/Clq-c1pFOCp/>
- Forum "More than applications". Event organized by the Colombian ICT Ministry to recognize unconventional entrepreneurs <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LO4pY5O14Yo>
- Finalist at Startup Challenge 2022 by the Deutsch-Kolumbianische Industrie- und Handelskammer https://www.linkedin.com/posts/ahkcolombia_startup-colombia-septiembre-activity-6948385841786343424-tuMd
- Alumni startup profile by the Technical University Munich <https://www.community.tum.de/en/javier-enciso/>

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