

FACT SHEET OF NATIONAL INFOCOMM COMPETITION

- The National Infocomm Competition (NIC) is a series of infocomm competitions in Singapore. Targeting students from Secondary Schools, Junior Colleges, Polytechnics and Institute of Technical Education, the NIC is part of IDA's larger efforts to attract and nurture infocomm talent as early as possible, starting from schools. Such talent is necessary to drive Singapore's economic growth, to achieve the iN2015 vision of Singapore being an 'Intelligent Nation, Powered by Infocomm'.
- The infocomm sector has done well and grew by 8.9% in 2005. The infocomm sector will continue to do well and the overall demand for infocomm manpower is expected to rise. The largest growth will be in job categories such as Infocomm Research & Development, Digital Media and Web Development. This indicates a rising demand in higher end value added jobs. Hence, the NIC will be a platform to groom infocomm talent for the future by getting students interested in infocomm from young.

Challenges in the National Infocomm Competition

Competition Date	Challenge	Organiser
19 Jun	JavaJive Challenge (NEW)	Institute of Technical Education/Sun Microsystems
27 Jul	Splash Awards 2007 – Designing the Future of Infocomm	Singapore Computer Society/Singapore Institute of Management
3 Sep	Alice-In-Action Challenge	Temasek Polytechnic
3-8 Sep	Singapore Games Creation Competition	Nanyang Polytechnic
15 Sep	National Software Competition	Singapore Polytechnic
11 Oct	Mobile Animation Competition (NEW)	Institute of Technical Education
3 Nov	virtualXgame Challenge	Nanyang Technological University

5-6 Nov	Network & Security Investigation Challenge	Republic Polytechnic
15 Nov	Quiz	Singapore Science Centre
17 Nov	National StrITwise Challenge	Ngee Ann Polytechnic
8 Dec	Innovate IT! Challenge	Singapore Management University
14 Dec	Algo*Mania Challenge (NEW)	National University of Singapore

Circuit Challenges

- There are three different circuits, namely Secondary School, Junior College and Institute of Technical Education/Polytechnic.

Scoring System

- There will be points awarded for the top 6 winners in each challenge (see table below).
- For each circuit, the school with the highest accumulated points will be the circuit champion. Should there be a tie, the school with the highest number of top prizes will emerge the winner.
- For ITE/Poly circuit, points will be awarded to each winning "School" eg. School of Business, School of Engineering etc. Should 2 schools combined to form a team, there should only be one unique school name representing the team.

Position	Station Points
1st	12
2nd	9
3rd	6
4th	4
5th	2
6th	1

Prizes

More than S\$300,000 worth of cash and prizes are up for grabs in National Infocomm Competition 2007. Prizes include knowledge acquisition trips to top infocomm companies for the circuit winners to learn the latest technology trends and research areas. Other attractive prizes include Playstation 3, Xbox360, iPods, mobile phones, digital cameras and more!

Rules of Participation

All registrations must be made directly with the challenge organisers through the schools. Details are available in talent.singaporeinfocomm.sg.

Infocomm Manpower Development Roadmap

The National Infocomm Competition (NIC) is part of IDA's larger Student Infocomm Outreach programme under the Infocomm Manpower Development Roadmap announced on 17 November 2005.

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