AI Innovation Grand Challenge Award Event
Concept Note

Date: 16 November 2024
Time: 5-5:45PM (UTC+04:00)
Place: Special Event Room Nasimi, Global Climate Action space/Area B, Blue Zone, COP29

Event Overview

The **AI Innovation Grand Challenge Award Ceremony** will celebrate innovative artificial intelligence solutions that contribute to climate resilience and mitigation in developing countries. This event will recognize and promote pioneering projects aimed at leveraging AI to address the urgent challenges posed by climate change, emphasizing solutions developed and led by teams from Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and led by women. The Grand Challenge Award aligns with the thematic workstreams of the UNFCCC Technology Executive Committee's rolling work plan for 2023-2027.

Time	Items
17:00	**Welcome and Opening remarks** **Moderator:** • Ms. Maria João Sousa, Executive Director, Climate Change AI **Speakers:** • Mr. Thibyan Ibrahim, Chair, Technology Executive Committee (TEC), UNFCCC • Mr. Bill Wright, Chair, Enterprise Neurosystem (EN)
17:20	**Award Ceremony** **Speakers:** • Ms. Sophie De Coninck, Means of Implementation Director, UNFCCC • Winner, AI Innovation Grand Challenge Award winner

17:40	**Closing remarks** A reflection on the day's discussions and a call to action.
17:50	**End of the event**