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VIETNAM
AI CONTEST 2025

Vietnam
Contest 2025

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VISION STATEMENT

In 2025, VLAB Innovation, in collaboration with Boston Global Forum (BGF) and Michael Dukakis Institute for Leadership and Innovation (MDI), United States, will organize the third season of VIETNAM AI CONTEST for high school students nationwide. This initiative builds on the spirit of "Remaking the World – Toward an Age of Global Enlightenment" championed by UN100 and AIWS. Following the success of 2023 and 2024 seasons in igniting passion, discovering talent, and fostering connections with international experts, the vision for 2025 is clearly defined with the theme: AI'S SYMPHONY FOR HUMANITY.

The "Symphony" emphasizes the harmonious integration of three pillars: Science, Ethics, and Policy. Unlike previous seasons, which primarily focused on conceptual ideas, VIETNAM AI CONTEST 2025 requires participants to fully developed functional products with practical applications, thereby transforming knowledge into value for the community. The contest offers three topics for participants to choose from: AIWS Angel - AI assistant in the fields of Education, Music, Cinema, Culture, Arts, Healthcare...; AIWS Ethics – A tool to assess the values and ethical standards of AI and its users; AIWS Film Park – Combining Film, Music, Culture, Art to create short films.

With an Advisory Board and Judging Panel comprising leading scientists, AI and IT experts from BGF, MDI, and technology experts in Vietnam, AI CONTEST 2025 will create an open learning journey: research, development, testing, feedback, and refinement. Evaluation criteria emphasize technical quality, ethics and safety, usability, social impact, scalability, and sustainability.

From Vietnam, young "musicians" will blend creativity with social responsibility, contributing to affirming Vietnam's position in the global AI ecosystem. AI CONTEST 2025 not only seeks to identify winners but also nurtures a generation of digital citizens who leverage artificial intelligence to serve humanity, promote humanistic values, and advance the Age of Global Enlightenment.

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ONLINE ROUND

1. Submission Opens: October 1, 2025

2. Submission Closes: October 31, 2025

3. Results Announcement: 20 to 30 November, 2025

Note: Timelines are subject to change or adjustment to ensure the highest program quality.

CONTEST THEMES

Choose one of the following themes:

1. AIWS Angel

Develop creative, user-friendly, and effective AI assistants in fields such as Education, Healthcare, Music, Film, Culture, and Arts to intelligently and humanely support individuals. Participants are encouraged to create software or applications with practical implementation potential to serve educational, entertainment, and physical/spiritual well-being needs.

2. AIWS Ethics

Design and develop tools to evaluate ethical values in the creation and use of artificial intelligence (AI), contributing to transparent, responsible, and community-oriented AI development. Products may include software, applications, or evaluation systems that are accessible, educational, and scalable within communities.

3. AIWS Film Park

Integrate artificial intelligence with film, music, culture, and arts to create inspiring short films that reflect humanistic values, societal issues, and modern perspectives. Participants may apply AI in scriptwriting, film production, sound/visual effects, or creative storytelling to convey positive messages to the community.

Mandatory Requirement: Participants must use AI tools to create their contest submissions.
(Participants are encouraged to use multiple AI tools to demonstrate their understanding and creativity)
Contest Language: English
Eligibility:
- High school students aged 15 to 18 enrolled in schools nationwide.
- Participants may compete individually or in groups of 2 to 5 members.

1. Project proposal document
Idea and solution
Implementation process:
+ List of AI tools and technologies used
+ Product application method
Result:
+ Achieved outcomes
+ Future development plan for the product
Format:
+ File type: PDF
+ Page count: 10 – 15 pages
+ Maximum file size: 10MB

2. Source Code, required for themes 1&2
Participants may use any programming languages or tools (e.g., Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, Java, etc.).
Source code must be compressed into a single .zip or .rar file
Include documentation for software/library installation and configuration
Provide guidelines for building the source code and using the software/application

3. Product demo video
Format:
Duration: 5–10 minutes
File type: MP4
Resolution: Full HD (1080p)

Maximum file size: 500MB for compatibility and display quality.
Note: The demo video must showcase the final completed product.

4. Genral requirements
File naming syntax:
"Vietnam AI Contest 2025_Full Name".
Submissions must be uploaded to a single Google Drive folder containing:
Project proposal (.pdf)
Source code
Demo video
Registration form as provided by the organizers (in .docx/.pdf format)**
Group or individual photo (Optional)

* The Google Drive folder should be set to "Anyone with the link can view" for easy access by the organizers.
** Registration form:
downloadable at https://vlabinnovation.com/
***Note: Official registration is confirmed only upon submission of the registration form and receipt of a confirmation email from the organizers. Submissions cannot be modified after confirmation. Any detected modifications will result in disqualification.

SUBMISSION CHANNELS

Website:
https://vlabinnovation.com/

Email:
thecontest@vlabinnovation.com

🎓 IN-PERSON ROUND

1. **Start: December 10, 2025**
2. **End: December 24, 2025**
3. **Result Announcement: January 2026**
   Timelines are subject to change or adjustment to ensure the highest program quality.

Eligibility
Participants with outstanding submissions from the online round
Format: In-person presentation before the Advisory Board and Judging Panel
Language: English
Content: Live product presentation (using PDF, Gamma AI, or PPTX slides).
Product demo video

IN-PERSON ROUND REQUIREMENTS

Presentation
Duration: 10 minutes via Zoom, presenting the product and sharing personal experiences in English.

Q&A Session
Duration: 5 minutes. Participants have 1 minute to think before answering judges' questions.

Participation Rules
Be present at least 10 minutes before the round begins.
Mute microphones during other participants' presentations.
Keep cameras on throughout the round.
Each group member must use a separate device and user account.

Eligibility
Participants with outstanding submissions from the online round.

Scoring System
Each participant can earn a maximum of 100 points.
Final results are based on the total score from both rounds: online and in-person presentation.

CONTEST REGULATIONS

1. Participants' submissions will be kept confidential and not shared with third parties outside the Vietnam AI Contest organizing committee and advisory board.
2. Submitted materials and information will not be returned.
3. Participants are solely responsible for the origin and copyright of their submissions in accordance with current Vietnamese and International regulations. The organizing committee is not liable for any disputes regarding ownership or authorship of submitted content.
4. The use of sensitive, violent, political, or discriminatory content is strictly prohibited.
5. By participating, in accordance with Vietnamese law, participants consent to the organizing committee publicly disclosing their personal information, images, and submissions for program promotion purposes on media and social media channels.
6. In cases where an award has been granted but disputes arise regarding the originality of the submission, the award recipient is responsible for resolving all related claims.
7. Evidence of plagiarism or intellectual property violations will result in the revocation of any awarded prizes.
8. For issues arising before, during, or after the contest that are not covered by existing regulations, the organizing committee reserves the right to discuss and make final decisions.
9. The organizing committee reserves the right to amend the regulations as necessary without prior notice.
10. All participants are deemed to have agreed to and will comply with these regulations.

AWARD CEREMONY

HANOI - JANUARY 2026

AWARD STRUCTURE

Champion: 50,000,000VND

First Runner-up: 30,000,000VND

Second Runner-up: 15,000,000VND

Young Talent Award: 5,000,000VND