

SOFTWARE PRODUCT COMPETITION & SHOWCASE 2016



Award Categories and Guidelines

Categories

- Consumer Startup (Early Stage & Late Stage)
- Enterprise Startup (Early Stage & Late Stage)
- Established Products (MNC/Indian)
- Best Technology Innovation (Non Product)
- Student entrepreneurship
- Social Impact
- Hyd10 startup

New Categories

- Best Gadget or device award (need to identity a nice title for this award, if you have any suggestions, please share)
- Best app
- Popular app People's choice

SECTION I

General Guidelines - Eligibility for Participation

- 1. Applicants are expected be HYSEA members. If they are not already, they can still compete for awards, but are encouraged to join as HYSEA members
- 2. Past Winners are excluded for award competition for two years
- 3. The Product Showcase Awards are primarily to encourage, recognize the companies with significant base or presence in Hyderabad.
- 4. Significant base/presence would mean that they could be having some of these following
 - Head Office
 - Registered office
 - Top management
 - Product development
 - Support operations
 - Building products or productized services
 - Some other substantial presence

However, HYSEA is not rigid in enforcement - in some exceptional cases, with appropriate justification; we can consider companies that do not meet the above criteria.

5. As a part of nomination process, they need to provide information - an overview of the product/productized service, Technologies, Business Use cases, Customers, Competition, Revenue indications, Sustainability, Funding and other relevant information to judge the finalists

SECTION II - Specific Guidelines

Applicants need to read this carefully to choose the right category for them

Consumer Startup - Early Stage

- New or Emerging companies
- Target the retail markets, B2C
- Early stage funding Self, Angel, Some early VCs
- Typically companies with less than 2-3 years of existence
- Very small team size but with Full Time Employees
- Very few or no customers
- Working Product not demo stage

Consumer Startup - Late Stage

- Target the retail markets, B2C
- Late stage funding Multiple rounds, VCs, PE
- Typically companies with more than 3 years of existence
- Good number of paying customers or a large number of free customers
- Well established Product line

Enterprise Startup - Early Stage

- New or Emerging companies
- Target the Enterprise markets, B2B
- Early stage funding Self, Angel, Some early VCs
- Typically companies with less than 2-3 years of existence
- Very small team size but with Full Time Employees
- Very few or no customers
- Working Product not demo stage

Enterprise Startup - Late Stage

- Target the Enterprise markets, B2B
- Late stage funding Multiple rounds, VCs, PE
- Typically companies with more than 3 years of existence
- Good number of paying customers or a large number of free customers
- Well established Product line

Established Products (MNC/Indian)

- Well established Companies
- MNCs, both Indian and foreign with substantial presence here
- Public companies or IPO ready or Pre-IPO Companies
- Fully funded, profitable, self sustained and highly visible companies
- Large number of paying customers
- Target market can be both Consumer and Enterprise, B2C and B2B
- Typically with more than 10 years of existence
- Typically more than 100 employees
- Typically multi-product companies

Student entrepreneurship

In all below criteria, a business case should be identified by the students

- Ideas but with a basic working Prototype
- Meaningful Summer projects
- Final Semester projects
- PG projects
- Research type of entries can be considered as long as the business use case is clearly established
 All the above should be demonstrable

Social Impact

- Products, Ideas or prototypes that create a positive impact on society
- Can be used by NGOs or Government as a change agent

There is no need to register for these below categories separately. They will be selected from participants of the above categories

Hy10 Startups

• Entries that are shortlisted for Consumer Startup and Enterprise Startup categories will be considered for this award

New Categories - Self-Explanatory

- Best Gadget or Device award
- Best App
- Popular App People's choice