



Developing Solutions for Developing Countries

Description

The IFT Student Association is committed to engaging student members from around the world and utilizing their scientific skills to serve a bigger cause. The IFTSA Developing Solutions for Developing Countries (DSDC) competition promotes the application of food science and technology and the development of new products and processes that are targeted at improving the quality of life for people in developing countries.

2017–2018 Theme

Two consecutive years of drought in South and East Africa have resulted in rising food prices and increased food insecurity and malnutrition. With more than 38 million people affected by this drought, sustainable solutions are needed to combat these challenges. Develop a product using primarily drought-tolerant crops for people living in one of the affected countries.

Awards

- 1st place: \$4,000
- 2nd place: \$2,500
- 3rd place: \$1,000
- *Each finalist team will receive a certificate and an IFT18 travel grant of \$1,500.*

Dates

- **January 15, 2018:** Preliminary proposals due by 11:59 p.m. (CT)
- **May 15, 2018:** Final proposals due
- **July 15–18, 2018:** Final Judging and Competition at IFT18 in Chicago

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