



World Intellectual Property (World IP) Day Celebrations – April 26, 2025

Theme: *IP and Music: Feel the beat of IP*

Call for Innovations/Inventions/Creations Competition Award

From the pulse of a dance beat to the echo of a heartfelt lyric, music colors our world. Intellectual property rights are the unseen architects of this soundscape, enabling music to resonate across industries. They are the silent partners in creative collaborations, the drivers of economic harmony. Like the constant rhythm of a heartbeat, the presence of music and IP is a steady, pervasive force in our lives.

The theme for the 2025 World IP Day is *IP and Music: Feel the beat of IP* and celebrates how creativity and innovation backed by intellectual property rights keep a thriving music scene that benefits everyone, everywhere.

As part of the activities to mark the Day, the Kenya Industrial Property Institute (KIPI), Kenya Copyright Board (KECOBO) and Anti-Counterfeit Authority (ACA) intends to recognize, celebrate and award creators, inventors, innovators and hence this call for inventions, innovations and creations.

Criteria for eligibility

The eligible innovations must meet the following criteria:-

1. Must be a creation/innovation made by a Kenyan;
2. Be rolled out or about to roll out into the Kenyan market;
3. Have or are likely to achieve a good economic impact in the society.
4. Have secured their Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) with the Kenya Copyright Board or Kenya Industrial Property Institute or are in the process of doing so.



Submission of entries

1. To take part in the competition, participants must fill and submit the Entry form provided below, which can also be downloaded from www.kipi.go.ke/ www.aca.go.ke / copyright.go.ke
2. The completed and signed entries should be sent to: WIPDayAwards@kipi.go.ke
3. Participants may submit as many separate entries for different innovations as they wish to;
4. Entries that contain inappropriate or incomplete information will be disqualified;
5. By entering the competition, participants agree that their entries will be made publicly available and may be used by KIPi for exhibition and publicity purposes;
6. The deadline for receipt of entries is **22nd April, 2025**; and
7. Winners will be announced on **26th April 2025** during the World Intellectual Property Day celebrations.

Rules governing the competition:

- 1) The competition is organized and administered by the Kenya Industrial Property Institute (KIPi), Kenya Copyright Board (KECOBO) and Anti-Counterfeit Authority (ACA) and is open to all Kenyans, except the employees and immediate family members of KIPi, KECOBO & ACA and the committee appointed to judge the competition (the Jury).
- 2) By entering the competition, all participants fully agree to the terms and conditions governing the competition.
- 3) KIPi, KECOBO & ACA reserves the right at its own discretion to cancel or suspend the competition should matters beyond its control arise that would compromise the objectivity or integrity of the competition.
- 4) A group of individuals may jointly make an entry to the competition if they created the innovation jointly.
- 5) KIPi, KECOBO & ACA and the Jury undertake to handle all received entries with care and to keep the information contained therein confidential. However, the participants are highly advised to secure their IP rights before submitting their entries. KIPi and the Jury will not be held responsible for any damage or loss of any entry of the IP rights.
- 6) Innovations entered for the competition must be the original work by the participant(s).
- 7) The finalists shall be notified in writing/email.
- 8) Certificates of awards shall be given to the winner, runners-ups, and other selected finalists as determined by the Jury.
- 9) Any cash awards for the winners shall be at the discretion of KIPi and the Jury.



- 10) The decision of the Jury shall be final and the jury shall not be bound to provide reasons to the participants for any decision made thereof.

Prepared by:

The Inventors and Innovators Award Committee





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COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Title of the innovation/creation:			
Applicants Name:	Postal Address:	Email:	Tel No.:
	Physical Address:	Signature:	
Name of Joint innovators/creators:	Postal Address:	Email:	Tel No.:
Brief description of the innovation/creation: (should be short and concise not more than 200 words):			
Intellectual Property Rights acquired/in process:			
Brief description of actual/ potential impact (social/ technological/economic)			
Detailed description of the innovation/creation: Should Not be more than 1,500 words, Font 12, Trebuchet MS, 1.5 line spacing; May be accompanied by drawings, photographs or other graphic representations of the product/article if they can facilitate better understanding of the innovation)			



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(Use additional sheets if necessary)

Submitted by:

Signature: Date

