



World Intellectual Property (World IP) Day Celebrations – April 26, 2023

**Theme: *Women and IP: Accelerating Innovation and Creativity***

## **Call for Innovations/Inventions/Creations** **Competition Award**

Every April 26, we celebrate the World Intellectual Property (World IP) Day to learn about the role that IP rights play in encouraging innovation and creativity. The world this year recognizes and celebrates the important role played by women in accelerating innovation and creativity towards a sustainable future.

Across the globe, women are stepping up to innovation challenges, using their energy, ingenuity, curiosity and creativity to steer a course towards a better future. Innovative, energetic and creative minds are helping to drive the changes we need to move to a more sustainable future. IP Agencies and organizations continue in their quest to discover how IP rights can support the women of today and tomorrow to create a better future.

The theme for the 2023 World IP Day is ***Women and IP: Accelerating Innovation and Creativity*** and celebrates women in innovation and creativity.

As part of the activities to mark the Day, the Kenya Industrial Property Institute (KIPI) intends to recognize, celebrate and award some of these women in innovation and hence this call for women-led innovations.

### **Criteria for eligibility**

The eligible innovations must meet the following criteria:-

1. Must be an innovation/creation made by Kenyan woman/ women;
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:
  - a. Agriculture;
  - b. Micro Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) Economy;
  - c. Housing and Settlement;
  - d. Healthcare;
  - e. Digital and Creative Economy.
4. Have secured their Industrial Property Rights 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 the KIPi [website www.kipi.go.ke](http://www.kipi.go.ke); [here](#)
2. The completed and signed entries should be sent to: [WIPDayAwards@kipi.go.ke](mailto: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 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023; and
7. Winners will be announced on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023 during the World Intellectual Property Day celebrations.

### **Rules governing the competition:**








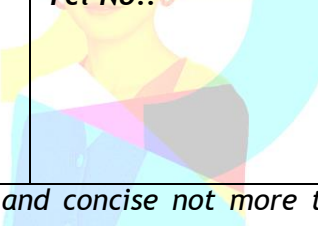
- 1) The competition is organized and administered by the Kenya Industrial Property Institute (KIPi) and is open to all Kenyan women except the employees and immediate family members of KIPi and the committee appointed to judge the competition (the Jury).
- 2) By entering the competition, all participants fully agree to the terms and conditions governing the competition.
- 3) KIPi 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 women may jointly make an entry to the competition if they created the innovation jointly.
- 5) KIPi 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.



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**COMPETITION ENTRY FORM**

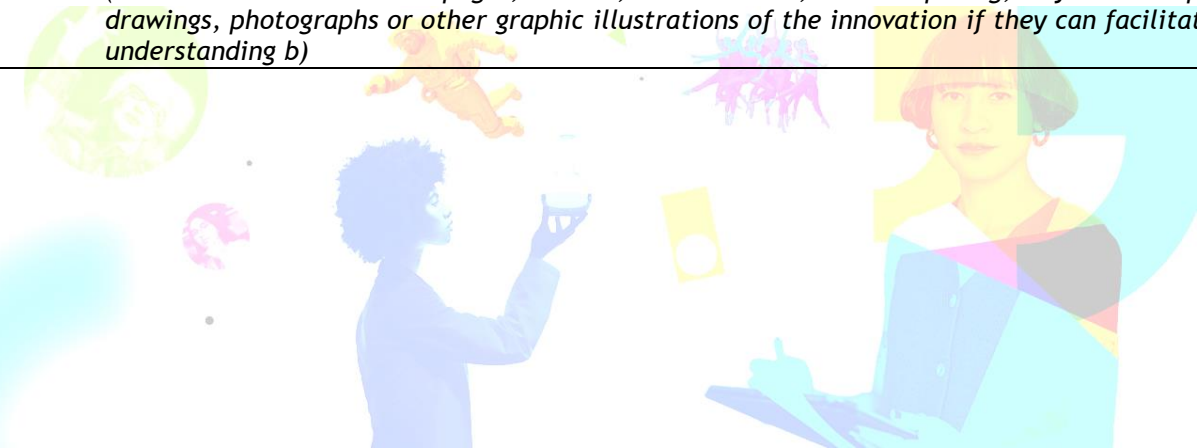
<i>Title of the innovation:</i>			
<i>Applicants Name:</i>	<i>Postal Address:</i>	<i>Email:</i>	<i>Tel No.:</i>
	<i>Physical Address:</i> 	<i>Signature:</i> 	
<i>Name of Joint innovators/creators:</i> 	<i>Postal Address:</i> 	<i>Email:</i> 	<i>Tel No.:</i> 
<i>Brief description of the innovation/creation: (should be short and concise not more than 200 words):</i>			
<i>Industrial Property Rights acquired/in process:</i>			

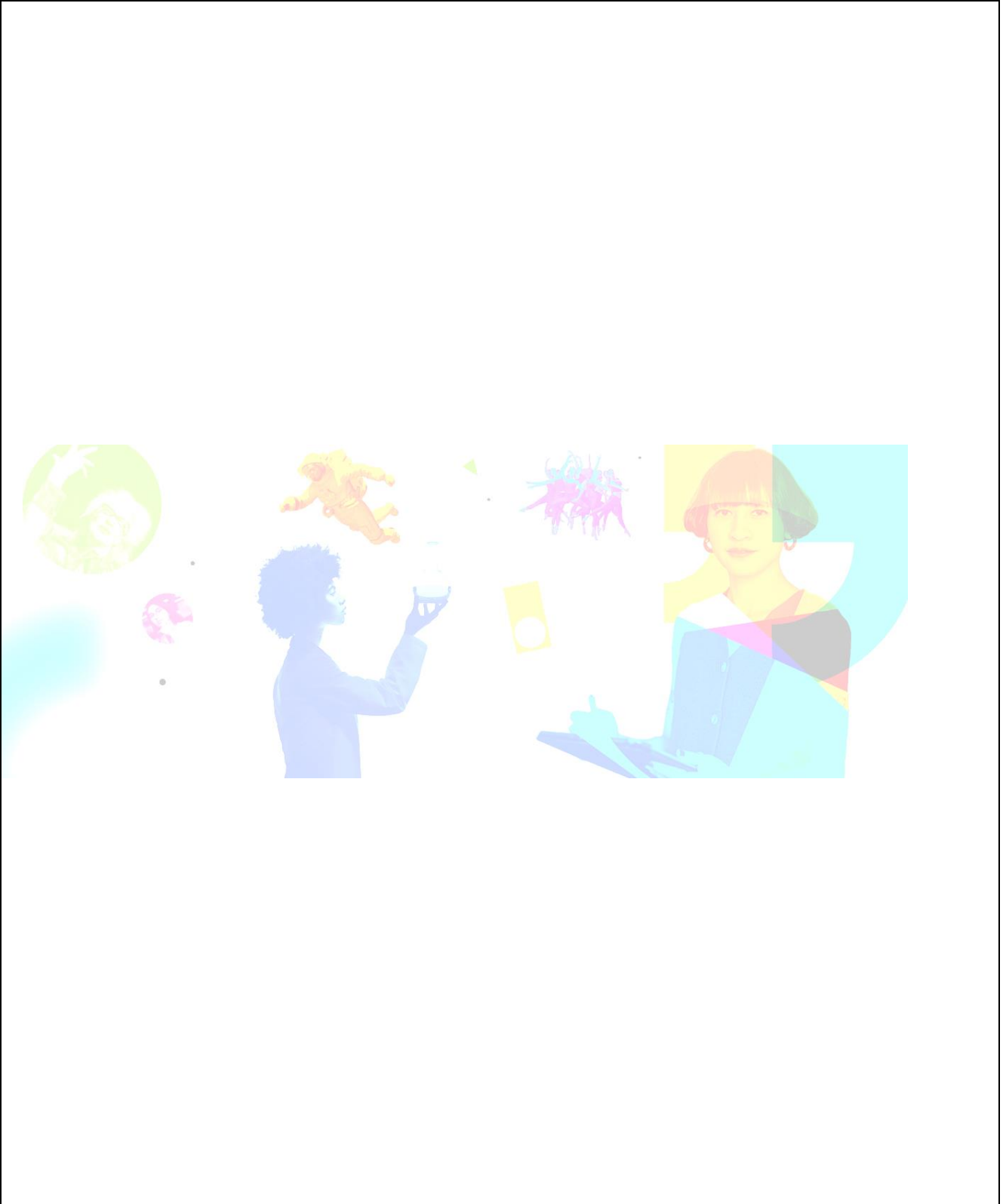


Brief description of actual/ potential impact  
(social/ technological/economic)

**Detailed description of the innovation/creation:**

*(Should Not be more than 5 pages, Font 12, Trebuchet MS, 1.5 line spacing; May be accompanied by drawings, photographs or other graphic illustrations of the innovation if they can facilitate better understanding b)*







*(Use additional sheets if necessary)*

Submitted by: .....

Signature: ..... Date

