



Official Rules

The Sagicor Visionaries Challenge (the the “Competition”) is intended to be conducted in eight(8) countries namely Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Guyana, St. Lucia, Trinidad & Tobago and the United States (Tampa - Hillsborough County) (the “Challenge Territories”) only. These Sagicor Visionaries Challenge Rules (the “Official Rules”) shall be construed in accordance with the applicable laws of Barbados. The invitation to participate in the Competition is void in whole or in part where prohibited by law. The submission of an Entry to the Competition constitutes acceptance of these the Competition Rules.

ABOUT THE SAGICOR VISONARIES CHALLENGE

SAGICOR whose registered Office is located at the Cecil F de Caires Building, Wildey, St. Michael, Barbados (the “Sponsor”), the Caribbean Science Foundation located at the UWI Cave Hill Campus, Bridgetown Barbados (the “Competition Administrator”) and the Caribbean Examinations Council whose head office is located at the Garrison, St Michael, Barbados (the “Partner”) collectively referred to as (the “Competition Entities”) which term shall include their respective agents, subsidiaries and assigns where applicable, invite qualifying secondary/high school and home schooled students resident in the Challenge Territories (the “Representatives”) to participate in the Competition through a private or public secondary/high school in one of the Challenge Territories (the “Entrant” or “secondary/high school”). The Competition is aimed at secondary/high school and home schooled students between the ages of 11 and 18 who are encouraged to identify a challenge facing their respective school, assigned school or school of choice, and using science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), develop effective, innovative and sustainable solutions to the challenge identified. These solutions will form the basis of the school’s Entries to the Competition. Entries will first be evaluated and judged at the national level in each of the Challenge Territories, with the winning school in each territory moving on to the finals of the Competition where a regional winning school and runners up will be selected. Representatives of national school winners and their respective teachers will also participate in an all expenses STEM Ambassador Programme to Florida.



The Competition is intended to:

- Boost institutional capacity in STEM in the secondary/high schools in the Challenge Territories.
- Ignite interest among youth in the Challenge Territories for innovation in STEM in an effort to build and integrate sustainable communities in participating countries.
- Integrate knowledge gained from formal and informal education to enable tomorrow's leaders to build a more sustainable countries. There will be two judging rounds (national and regional) which start and end on the dates and times noted below:

Event	Start Time	End Time
Challenge Sensitisation	November 2015	January 2016
Competition Entry Period	January 2016	March 2016
National Competitions Held	March 2016	March 2016
7 Day STEM Ambassador Programme	July 2016	July 2016

1. COMPETITION PERIOD.

The Sagicor Visionaries Challenge opens on January 18, 2016 at 7:00 AM Eastern Caribbean Time ("ECT") and ends on March 31, 2016 at 11:59 PM ECT (the "Competition Entry Period"). ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY March 31, 2016 at 11:59 PM ECT (the "Entry Deadline"). The Competition is run by the Competition Entities.

2. ELIGIBILITY.

(a) To be eligible to enter the Competition a Secondary/high school must:

- Be a private or public secondary/high school in one of the Challenge Territories providing courses at the secondary/high school level that is recognised by the national Ministry of Education of the Challenge Territory concerned (the "Entrant")
- Be represented by a student, or group of students, each:



- Being in full-time attendance at an Entrant;
- Being a legal resident of one of the Challenge Territories;
- Having the written consent and approval of his/her parent or legal guardian to participate in the Competition.

(b) Home schooled students or those students whose Secondary/high school is not entering the Competition, will be permitted to enter the Competition provided that such student:

- Has obtained the written consent and approval of his/her parent or legal guardian to participate in the Competition;
- Is prepared to permit the Competition Entities to assign him/her to a participating Secondary/high school Educational Institution, and
- Agrees that the participating Secondary/high school will be the recipient of any school prizes should his/her project be judged a national or regional winner.

(c) For all Representatives the consent of a parent or legal guardian is required to participate in the Competition.

(d) Secondary/high schools entering the Competition must submit along with their Entries, the name, contact details and written consent of a teacher of the Secondary/high school who has agreed to supervise the students' work and Competition submission (the "Supervisor"). Home schooled students or those students whose Secondary/high school is not entering the Competition shall have as their Supervisor a teacher from the school to which he/she has been assigned.

(e) Entry is open to all Secondary/high schools who meet the eligibility criteria. Secondary/high schools may be represented by all eligible Representatives including the children of employees of the Competition Entities, their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, related companies, advertising and promotional agencies and the household members of any of the above. The Competition Entities shall have the right at any time to require documentary proof of identity and/or eligibility of all Representatives in the Competition. Failure to provide such proof may result in disqualification of the associated Entry. All personal and other information requested by and supplied to the Competition Entities for the purpose of the Competition must be truthful, complete, accurate and in no way misleading. The Competition Entities reserve the



right, in their sole and absolute discretion, to disqualify any Entry should untruthful, incomplete, inaccurate or misleading data and/or information be submitted.

3. HOW TO ENTER.

3.1 Entry Process

(a) To enter the Competition each Entrant must visit www.sagicorvisionaries.com (the “**Competition Website**”), complete and submit to the Competition Entities an online Competition Submission Form (the “**Form**”) as indicated, which must be received by the Competition’s host server on or before the Entry Deadline. Submissions received after the Entry Deadline will not be considered. All of the information requested on the Form must be fully, accurately and honestly completed. Forms containing incomplete, inaccurate, misleading, unintelligible or untrue information will not be considered. A school (Entrant) may submit more than one project Entry. One Form must be completed per project Entry.

(b) If an Entry involves the work of more than one Representative (a “**Project Team**”), one member of that Team must be identified as the Team Representative. In the case of Project Teams, each individual Representative must meet the Competition Eligibility criteria and the Entrant must provide the names and e-mail addresses of all Teammates who have participated in the work on the Entry, and each of them must have parental consent to participate in the Competition. In the case of Project Teams, each Team member must attend the same school in order to compete collectively or where in the case of home schooled students or those students whose Secondary/high school Educational Institution is not entering the Competition, who wish to form a Project Team, the Team must have a common Supervisor. Project Teams can be made up of no more than **five (5)** persons.

(c) A student may be included in **ONLY ONE ENTRY**. Any attempt to exceed this rule is a violation of the Rules and may result in disqualification of the Entry and the forfeit of any prizes.

3.2. The Entry

Each Entry will consist of an electronic submission made online, describing new potentially viable practices that use STEM to contribute towards the creation of sustainable communities, in particular at or around the Entrant.



4. ENTRY TERMS.

4.1 Warranties, Representations and Understandings

(a) By agreeing to be a Supervisor for the purposes of the Competition, the Supervisor represents that he/she: (i) Has read the Official Rules and has secured the permission and consent of the parent or legal guardian of all Representatives involved with a particular Entry as required by these Rules; (ii) Will use their best efforts to ensure that the Entrant and all its Representatives comply with the Official Rules.

(b) By agreeing to be a Supervisor for the purposes of the Competition, the Supervisor on behalf of each Entrant represents, acknowledges and warrants, regardless of territory of Entry, that they have obtained in writing all licenses, and permissions from any person who may have helped or participated in the Entry or whose creation, invention, product or intellectual property forms a component of the Entry and that the Entry conforms to these Competition Rules.

(c) The Supervisor on behalf of each Entrant further represents and warrants that the Entry:

- does not contain any use of the names, likenesses, photographs, or other identifying elements, in whole or in part, of any other person, living, or dead, except as required to cite sources used as part of the Entry;
- does not include, trademarks, logos, or any copyrighted material not owned by Entrant or their Representatives or for which permission has not been sought and obtained or for which credit has not been attributed to the author (this includes things like company names, photographs, works of art, or other media) or otherwise infringe or violate the rights of any third party or any other intellectual property rights;
- is not subject to any third party agreement(s), consents and/or licences in connection therewith that have not been obtained;
- does not defame, misrepresent, or contain disparaging remarks or any other content which could adversely affect the name, reputation or goodwill of the Competition Entities or any other individuals and/or entities;
- does not contain pornographic or sexual content, hateful content of any kind (including racism, sexism, etc.), content which promotes violence or harm to another living creature, or any other offensive, obscene or inappropriate content;
- does not include threats of any kind or that intimidate or harass anyone; and
- does not knowingly violate any local law or contain any content that would encourage or provide instructions for a criminal offense. The Competition Entities reserve the right, in their sole discretion,



to disqualify any Entrant who they determine has violated the spirit of the Competition or breached any provision of the Competition Rules.

- **5. INDEMNIFICATION.**

- (a) By facilitating entry in the Competition, each Supervisor on behalf of his/herself and each Entrant and each participating Representative and each consenting parent/guardian agree to release and to hold harmless the Competition Entities their respective parent, related and affiliated companies, and each of their respective officers, directors, employees and agents (the “Released Parties”) from any and all liability for any injuries, loss or damage of any kind however caused to the Entrant, Supervisor, Representatives or any person, including personal injury, death, property damage or loss, resulting in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, from participation in the Competition, any Competition-related activity, or any breach of the Competition Rules. Each Supervisor on behalf of him/herself and the Entrant and its Representatives agree to fully indemnify the Released Parties from any and all claims by third parties relating to the Competition, and the Entrant’s, Supervisor’s and Representatives’ participation in the Competition without limitation including claims by third parties for breach of copyright, neighbouring rights or moral rights.

- **6. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.**

- (a) The Competition Entities assume no responsibility or liability for lost, late, unintelligible/illegible, falsified, misdirected or incomplete Entries, notifications, responses, replies, or for any computer, online system, software, telephone, hardware or technical malfunctions that may occur, including but not limited to malfunctions that may affect the transmission and/or non-transmission of an Entry. The Competition Entities are not responsible for any incorrect or inaccurate information, whether caused by website users or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilised in the Competition or by any technical or human error which may occur in the administration of the Competition. The Competition Entities assume no responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or transmission, communications line failure, theft or destruction or unauthorised access to, or alteration of entries. The Competition Entities are not responsible for any problems, failures or technical malfunction of any telephone or lines, computer online systems, servers, providers, computer equipment, software, e-mail or browsers, on account of technical problems or traffic congestion on the Internet, at any website, or on account of any combination of the foregoing or otherwise. The Competition Entities



are not responsible for any injury or damage to the Entrant, its Representatives, and any person or to any computer related to or resulting from participating in or downloading materials related to the Competition. The Competition Entities assume no liability for injuries caused or claimed to be caused by participating in the Competition, or by the acceptance, possession, use of, or failure to receive any Prize. The Competition Entities assume no responsibility or liability in the event that the Competition cannot be conducted as planned for any reason, including those reasons beyond the control of the Competition Entities, such as infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering, unauthorised intervention, fraud, technical failures, or corruption of the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of the Competition or the Competition Website. Entrants and Representatives are encouraged to take whatever measures they deem appropriate to protect the intellectual property associated with Entries. The Competition Entities assume no responsibility or liability for loss, damage or injuries suffered or claimed by Entrants or Representatives as a result of their participation in the Competition however caused.

- **7. CONDUCT.**

- (a) By entering or participating in the Competition, each Entrant, Representative and Voter ("Participants") agree to be bound by the Competition Rules, which will be posted at the Competition Website www.sagicorvisionaries.com throughout the Competition Period. Participants further agree to be bound by the decisions of the Judging Panel and Competition Entities, which shall be final and binding in all respects. The Competition Entities reserve the right to correct any typographical, printing, computer programming or operator errors. The Competition Entities reserve the right, in their sole and absolute discretion, to disqualify and withdraw any Entry associated with an Entrant found to be: (a) violating the Competition Rules; (b) tampering or attempting to tamper with the Entry process or the operation of the Competition or the Competition Website; (c) violating the conditions of use and/or general rules or guidelines of any online Competition Entities' property or service; and/or (d) acting in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner, or with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten or harass any other person; (e) involved in criminal or other undesirable activity likely to bring the names of the Competition Entities into disrepute. Competition Entities' failure to enforce any term of these Official Competition Rules shall not constitute a waiver of that provision. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of these Official Competition Rules shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision. If any provision of the



Official Competition Rules is determined to be invalid or otherwise unenforceable, then the Official Competition Rules shall be construed in accordance with their terms as if the invalid or unenforceable provision was not contained therein.

- **CAUTION:** ANY ATTEMPT TO DELIBERATELY DAMAGE THE COMPETITION WEBSITE OR ANY RELATED WEBSITE OR UNDERMINE THE LEGITIMATE OPERATION OF THE COMPETITION MAY BE A VIOLATION OF CRIMINAL AND/OR CIVIL LAW. SHOULD SUCH AN ATTEMPT BE MADE, THE COMPETITION ENTITIES RESERVE THE RIGHT TO SEEK LEGAL REMEDIES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.
- **8. PRIVACY / USE OF SUBMITTED INFORMATION.**
- (a) By entering the Competition each Entrant, its Representative(s) and/or Supervisor confirms that they have: (i) Granted to the Competition Entities the right to use their respective names, addresses, telephone numbers, images, email addresses and any other information submitted pursuant to the Competition (“Submitted Information”) for the purpose of administering the Competition, including but not limited to contacting and announcing the Winners and contacting them to confirm any of the information, consents, and grants that have provided (ii) Granted to the Completion Entities the right to use their contact information to contact them regarding any issues, notifications, or corrections arising from or in connection with the Competition, including without limitation relating to any prizes awarded, (iii) Granted to the Competition Entities the right to use the Submitted Information for publicity and promotional purposes including but not limited to those relating to the Competition, in any and all media now known or hereafter devised or developed using the Rights granted in connection with the Competition free of cost in perpetuity unless prohibited by law, (iv) Acknowledged and agreed that the Competition Entities may disclose the Submitted Information to third-party agents and service providers of the Competition Entities (including those outside of the Challenge Territories) in connection with any of the activities listed in (i) (ii) and (iii) above.
- (b) Each Supervisor on behalf of each Entrant and each Representative(s) hereby acknowledge and understand that the Entries and some Submitted information may be available for the general public to see and comment on.
- (c) The Competition Entities will use the Submitted Information only for the purposes identified and shall protect all Submitted Information in a manner consistent with the measures it uses to protect its own information of a similar kind.



- **9. JUDGING.**

- (a) Judging will take place both at a national and regional level. The national phase of the Competition will select the national winner for each Challenge Territory that will compete in the regional phase of the Competition.

- **9.1 National Competition**

- (a) The National Competition will take place in April 2016 in each Challenge Territory where a panel (the “**Competition Judges**”) will evaluate all eligible Competition Submissions.

- (b) All eligible National Entries will be judged by the Competition Judges using the following criteria:

Category & Points
Title Page (1 Pt)
Title page contains the name of the project, name, address and telephone number of the school, names of team members, name of teacher providing guidance & name of mentor (if applicable)
Problem Statement and Significance of Problem (2 Pts)
Proposal clearly states the problem and outlines its significance
Objectives of the Project (2 Pts)
Proposed objectives clearly listed
Relevance to Needs of School or Community (4 Pts)
Proposal adequately describes its relevance to a problem or need facing the school or community
Approach or Proposed Solution (10 Pts)
Methods and strategies used are clearly described. Proposal contains relevant preliminary data from research findings (graphs, photos, illustrations, etc.) to back up proposed solution
Competitive Landscape (3Pts)
Proposal includes a clear and thorough description of the competitive landscape, along with benefits of proposed solution
Resources Needed (5 Pts)
Proposal contains an adequate table/list of major resources needed?. (Resources may include: prices of items to be purchased or a list of contributors/means of fund raising; list of experts with expertise needed; etc)
Timetable (2 Pts)
A timetable included that is realistic in the context of the project



STEM Linkage (2Pts)
There a good description of how the topic relates to STEM
Proposed Public or Community Engagement (2 Pts)
Proposal speak to how it will or will not engage the local community, and the proposed community involvement plan is sound
References (2 Pts)
References or a bibliography are included
TOTAL (out of 35)
Category & Points
Oral Powerpoint Presentation (3 Pts)
Clear, concise and effective Powerpoint presentation using appropriate tools (e.g. pictures, graphs)
Booth Effectiveness in Demonstrating the Solution (10 Pts)
Excellent use of relevant graphics, images, mockups or prototypes. Booth aesthetics generally of a high standard
Answers to Questions at the Booth (5 Pts)
Clear and thorough answers to questions. Explanation of project challenge, background, and findings logical and correct
Creativity and Innovation in Project (4 Pts)
Team successfully adapted, extended, transformed or experimented with a unique idea, question, format, or product to create something new
Knowledge/Understanding of the Underlying Science (5 Pts)
Team has an excellent understanding of the basic science or engineering associated with the project
Good use of Scientific Methods of Investigation/Execution (5 Pts)
Excellent, clear and thorough identification of project plan, methods of investigation, design and implementation processes
Execution Difficulty and Risk (6 Pts)
Team has chosen a difficult, high-risk, high-payoff project and effort was admirable
Actual Public or Community Engagement (2 Pts)
Project actually did engage with and/or got a lot of support from local or non-local community
TOTAL (out of 40)



(c) At the regional phase, there will be a People’s Choice Award. The public will be asked to select their favourite project ideas by voting on the Competition website www.sagicorvisionaries.com . These points will not contribute towards the final points.

(d) A National winner and two runners up will be announced at the end of each National Competition based on the three top scores. Each National winner will also be required to provide contact details for each Representative on the Regional Competition Agreement Form.

(e) In the event of a tie, the Competition Submission with the highest score under the Judging Criteria of “Relevance to Sustainable Participating Communities and Creativity/Innovation” shall be deemed to rank higher, followed by “Content & Knowledge of Project, and Project Plan & Design”, until all relevant ties are broken.

9.2 Regional Competition:

(a) Each winning Entrant from the national phase the Competition will submit a copy of the project proposal, photographs of the project model and three (3) slides for judging in the regional competition. Each team will be make a three (3) minute presentation to a panel (the “**Competition Judges**”), via video conference. The panel will evaluate Submissions using the same criteria used in the national competition. The Regional winner and Runners-up will be announced on the last night of the Ambassador Trip.

10. PRIZES

Prizes must be accepted as awarded and cannot be transferred, assigned, substituted or redeemed for cash. Any unused portion of a Prize will be forfeited and has no cash value.

The Competition Entities reserve the right, in their sole and absolute discretion, to substitute a prize for one of equal or greater value if a prize, or any portion thereof, cannot be awarded as advertised for any reason or if such award is impracticable or undesirable in the circumstances.

10.1 National Competition

(a) From each National Competition phase, USD\$1,000 will be awarded to the schools placing within the top three positions. These prizes will be awarded as a cheque to the School of the winning Entrant. The National Winner and first runner up will each receive a computerised mobile science and technology centre and CXC approved science kits and/or other appropriate materials determined in collaboration with the Partner. Teammates of the National Winner team will each receive a GoPro camera and Samsung smart watch. The Team Supervisor of the



National Winner will receive a Kindle Fire tablet. The second runner up will receive ten (10) CXC approved Science Kits. If the National winner and any runner up is the same Secondary/high school, the Competition Entities will decide on appropriate awards to avoid duplication. The Competition Entities will not replace any lost or stolen prizes.

(b) The Representative of the National winner from each Challenge Territory along with his/her Supervisor will also receive a prize of a 7-day (including travel days) trip to Florida for the Sagicor Visionaries STEM Ambassador Programme which may include active learning experiences at informal science centers like The Kennedy Space Centre and the Museum of Science and Innovation during the period of July 2016. Where a National winner is represented by a Team, only **ONE** member of the Team as designated by the National winner will be eligible to attend the Ambassador Excursion Programme. The Competition Entities may assist with the procurement of visas, however, the Representative of each winning National Entrant and his/her Supervisor is responsible for securing their own travel visas. Travel will be arranged by the Competition Entities after visas are secured.

(c) If for any reason the Representative of a National winner or in the case of a Team, the Team member identified cannot attend the Ambassador Excursion Programme, the Representative of the runner up and his/her Supervisor will be entitled to attend the Ambassador Excursion Programme.

(d) The winning National projects will be promoted across the participating countries, through the major media outlets.

(e) Challenge Shields will also be awarded for both the National and Regional phases of the Competition in the following specific categories:

- Most Relevant to Sustainable Communities
- Most Creative and Innovative
- Best Plan and Project Design
- Best Use of Science, Technology, Engineering & Math
- Best Presentation
- Best Innovation

These challenge shields will be awarded to various Entrants during the National phase of the Competition and may be kept for a year. The names of the Representative(s) of these National Challenge Shield winners will be engraved on the shield along with the year won. Representative(s) of the National winners will also receive Recognition certificates.



10.2 Regional Competition

(a) All Representatives of National Winners whose Competition Entries participated in the Regional Competition will be considered Sagicor Visionaries Champions.

(b) From the Regional phase of the Competition, the winning Entrant will receive the first prize of US \$5,000, the first runner up will receive the second prize of US \$3,000, and the second runner up will receive the third prize of US \$1,000. These prizes will be awarded as a cheque to the Principal of the winning Entrant.

11. TERMINATION.

(a) The Competition Entities reserve the right, in their sole and absolute discretion, to terminate the Competition, in whole or in part, and/or modify, amend or suspend the Competition, and/or the Competition Rules in whole or in part in any way, at any time, for any reason without prior notice.

12. LAW.

(a) These are the official Competition Rules. The Competition is subject to the applicable laws and regulations of Barbados. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of the Competition Rules or the rights and obligations as between the Participants and the Competition Entities in connection with the Competition shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Barbados including procedural provisions without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules or provisions that would cause the application of any other jurisdiction's laws.

13. LANGUAGE DISCREPANCY.

(a) In the event of any discrepancy or inconsistency between the terms and conditions of the Competition Rules and disclosures or other statements contained in any Competition related materials, including but not limited to the Competition Data Form, television, print or online advertising, the terms and conditions of the Competition Rules shall prevail, govern and control.