

Pioneering Space Education and Exploration in Africa

Guidelines & Regulations for the Africa Space Foundation (ASF) World Space Week 2023 Competition

Theme: Space and Entrepreneurship

Welcome to Africa Space Foundation (ASF) where space education and exploration is our second home. We look forward to an exciting World Space Week 2023, which promises to equip young people with amazing experiences and opportunities necessary to grow their curiosity on emerging trends in Space Science and Exploration. These guidelines and regulations serve as terms of reference (TOR) for participants. Schools are encouraged to follow through these procedures for seamless entries. The week-long event is scheduled to hold from 4th-10th October, 2023, giving populations all over the world the opportunity to appreciate the efforts of humans who devote their lives in this sector and also find enduring pathways to mine the resources Space Science and Exploration can provide our world.

This is a call for entries from secondary schools that can show the world they have the ideas, support, and young people that can change the trajectory of space science and exploration in Africa. Overall best entries that scale the evaluation criterion shall win awards to encourage and stimulate lasting interests in this field in the lives of young people.

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Introduction:

The ASF World Space Week Competition celebrates the innovative intersection of space research and exploration with entrepreneurship. This comprehensive submission guideline provides rules and regulations for both written and oral presentations by schools participating in the competition. The guidelines ensure fairness, clarity, and equal opportunities for all participants.

Requirements:

- I. Lists of students and teachers part of school delegations must be submitted to the foundation.
- II. All participants must be enrolled students of the participating school.
- III. Each school is allowed **one entry** for both the written and oral presentation entries. Repeated submissions or improper submissions will result in disqualification.

Written Submissions:

- I. The document must be submitted in English.
- II. The document's word count must be a minimum of 1000 words but must not exceed 1800 words.
- III. Title page must carry the name of the school and students making the presentation.
- IV. The body of the document should be typed according to the following format:
 - A. A standard font (e.g., Times New Roman, Arial, Serif)
 - B. A font size of 12pt for the body, 14pt for subheadings, and 18pt for the main title.
 - C. Line spacing of 1.15.
- V. The document should be in Word and PDF format and named "ASF- -Submission," with the dash as the name of the school.
- VI. The addition of imagery is allowed, however, videos, audio, or media files of any other kind is barred.
- VII. Submissions must highlight the following:
 - How space education can impact the African continent.
 - The role of young people in advancing space science and exploration.
 - How entrepreneurship shapes current trends in space exploration.
 - The future of space science in contemporary Nigeria.
 - Limitations of space exploration in Africa and solutions to these challenges.

Oral Presentation:

- I. A total of 3 schools will be allowed to make an oral presentation at the event. This will be decided based on the total points accumulated throughout the evaluation process.
- II. All schools chosen for oral presentations will be given a total of 20 25mins to present. And a 3min Q&A session.
- III. Visual aids, such as PowerPoint slides or videos, are allowed during the presentation.
- IV. The oral presentation should cover similar aspects as the written presentation, highlighting key points effectively.

Submission Process:

- Applicants will submit both the written and oral reports to ASF's official email: <u>asf4africa@gmail.com</u> on or before 12:00 pm (WAT) on 11th September 2023. Submissions received after this date will not be evaluated.
- II. In case of technical requirements for the oral presentation, schools should inform the ASF beforehand.

Copyright and Plagiarism:

- I. All submissions must be original works of the student participants.
- II. Plagiarism of any kind or form will result in immediate disqualification.
- III. Proper citations, references, and due sources must be provided.

Code of Conduct:

- I. All participants must remain professional, respectful, and courteous for the week-long event.
- II. Any form of violence, misconduct, or unethical behavior of any kind will result in disqualification.
- III. Schools must provide two (2) teachers (Male & Female) as chaperones during the World Space Week Event.
- IV. Any attempt of any kind to subvert, or manipulate the evaluation, and grading process will result in disqualification and indefinite suspension from all Foundation activities. This includes but not limited to:
 - A. Bribery
 - B. Physical manipulation of results
 - C. Online data manipulation
 - D. Disinformation campaigns

Note: Guidelines, regulations, or rules mandated by the ASF are subject to change, or alteration at the sole discretion of the ASF Board of Directors. Any changes will be communicated to the participating schools promptly. Participating schools are encouraged to follow **Africa Space Foundation** social media handles and website www.asfoundation.space for updates and announcements regarding **Word Space Week 2023.**

We wish you successful submissions and look forward to seeing you in October!

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