**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**The Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of the Republic of Armenia (hereinafter referred to as the Ministry) announces the application period for the 2025 “100 Ideas for Armenia” Pan-Armenian competition for innovative projects and scientific and technical developments.**

**The goals of the competition are:**

* **• to develop innovative thinking among young people,**
* **• to involve young people in the processes of solving problems of socio-economic development of the Republic of Armenia,**
* **• to promote scientific and technical developments and civic initiatives to implement innovative projects.**

**Young people or author groups aged 13-35 from Armenia and the Diaspora can participate in the competition.**

The competition committee will select the best 5 ideas from the ideas submitted to the competition, which will be awarded a cash prize of 500,000 AMD each.

The competition committee will give priority to ideas that have:

* practical significance,
* ensure the continuity of the presented idea,
* the idea must have a public participation component.

The competition is carried out in the following stages:

* acceptance of applications and evaluation of pre-selected applications by the competition committee,
* expert evaluation of applications by experts through a presentation,
* summary of the competition results and awarding of the winning applicants in each category.

The competition is held in the following categories:

1. **Natural and exact sciences** (Physical, mathematical and chemical sciences, Earth sciences)
2. **Technologies and Innovations** (Engineering Sciences, Information Technologies and Architecture)
3. **Humanities and social sciences** (Historical, philological, legal, pedagogical, psychological and sociological sciences, art history, economics)
4. **Green Economy and Technologies** (Medical, Pharmaceutical, Biological and Agricultural Sciences) \*
5. **National Security and Military Sciences** (cybersecurity and information protection, military sciences and defense technologies, energy and food security systems, military medicine and emergency management) \*

**Applications must be sent from June 3 to September 30 of this year inclusive, to the email address Youth@escs.am according to the format, indicating the category of the idea being submitted to the competition in the "Topic" section.**

**Applications from the Diaspora can also be accepted in Russian or English, according to the provided format.**

***ATTENTION: Applications submitted after the deadline specified in this announcement will not be considered.***

For questions and additional information, please call 010 599 642 and 010 599 643.

**Competition Committee of the 2025 Pan-Armenian Competition for Innovative Projects and Scientific and Technical Developments of the Republic of Armenia "100 Ideas for Armenia"**

\* **The Green Economy and Technology** sector aims to ensure the sustainable use of natural resources, protect the environment, and improve public health through technological innovation. It promotes the use of renewable energy, reduces pollution, and reduces human impact on the environment.

The main directions are: the development of environmentally friendly infrastructure and sustainable waste management in medicine, the introduction of environmental approaches with natural raw materials and clean production in pharmacy, and the implementation of organic, climate-resilient, and biodiversity-preserving methods in agriculture.

**\* The category "National Security and Military Sciences"** includes research aimed at increasing defense capabilities, improving security systems, as well as developing military technologies and strategic planning. The main areas are: national security strategy (civil defense, cybersecurity, energy and food security), military sciences and technologies (UAVs, defense innovations, radio-electronic warfare, military air defense, modeling), as well as military medicine and emergency management (military medical support, disaster forecasting, and biochemical and radiological protection).