

Innovation at USAID: Prizes



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Project Summary	Shape USAID's cutting-edge innovation programming! Prizes are a new model to accelerate the development of critically needed solutions to global challenges and engage diverse actors in development. This project will scope and analyze potential topics for upcoming prizes and help shape their design.
Country	United States
Agency	Agency for International Development
DoS Office	N/A
Post	N/A
Section	N/A
Number of Interns	1

Project Description

This project is with USAID's US Global Development Lab's Center for Development Innovation. The Innovation Design and Advisory team seeks to support USAID and its partners to incentivize more people to innovate and solve development challenges with us. One method we use to do this are prizes, which are open competitions which offer prizes to motivate action and innovation towards a specific outcome. In the next year, USAID is planning to launch three high-profile prize programs around topics that may include energy efficiency, ocean toxins, and early-grade learning technologies. This project involves researching the current State of Innovation around the chosen topics, analyzing barriers that are limiting innovation, and mapping key stakeholders (including partners, potential innovators, experts, communication and outreach networks, etc).

Desired Skills Interests

Skill

Independent

Flexibility

Interest in potential of science, technology, and innovation for global development

Research and analytical abilities

Creativity

Ability to learn quickly

Additional Information

This is a great opportunity for someone with an interest in innovative methods to improve global development outcomes and an openness to dive into diverse topics. For more information on the Global Development Lab, please visit <https://www.usaid.gov/GlobalDevLab/about>

Language Requirements

None