



# UN-GGIM Americas, CARIGEO & Esri Student Competition 2022

## Your Caribbean Story Student Competition

Organized by UN-GGIM Americas, CARIGEO and Esri

### OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES AND TERMS OF AGREEMENT

NO PURCHASE IS REQUIRED TO ENTER OR WIN. A PURCHASE WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCE OF WINNING. OFFER IS VOID WHERE PROHIBITED BY LAW.

**1. Organizer:** Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (Esri), 380 New York Street, Redlands, California 92373 USA and the Regional Committee of the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for the Americas, Caribbean Geospatial Initiative (UN-GGIM Americas, CARIGEO) (Av. Libertador Bernardo O'Higgins 720, Santiago, Chile) (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Organizer").

**2. Participation:** You ("Applicant") must follow the Official Contest Rules set forth herein.

**3. Eligibility:** This Contest is open to all students of the Independent English-speaking countries of the Caribbean, who are university students studying in the *Caribbean Region*\* or are a citizen/student from the English speaking countries of the Caribbean region studying abroad. Further, this Contest is open to all individuals who are the legal age of majority in their country or province of residency, studying in the region or abroad. This includes Organizer's partners, Employees of Organizer and its international distributors, affiliates, and sister companies, including those individuals who were former employees within the last six months prior to the announcement date of the Contest, and such employees' immediate families (spouses, parents, siblings, and children), including household members of each such employee or person, are not eligible to enter. Any access to Esri software, documentation, technical data and technology is subject to all applicable U.S. export control and trade sanctions laws and regulations.

• Applicants (University students) to this Contest must

be enrolled as students at a university/tertiary institution.

- Each entry must be submitted by an individual applicant. Entries must be designed and implemented by the student.
- A university staff member must be identified as a point of contact for the Applicants.

This Contest is a capacity development initiative and open to Organizer's user community.

*Note: It is Applicant's sole responsibility to review and understand Applicant's university policies regarding eligibility to participate in this Contest. If Applicant is participating in violation of such university policies, Applicant may be disqualified from entering or receiving prizes. Organizer disclaims any and all liability or responsibility for disputes arising between Applicant and Applicant's university related to this matter, and prizes will only be awarded in compliance with Applicant's university policies.*

**4. How to Enter:** To enter this Contest, Applicant must complete and submit an Entry form located at <https://yourcaribbeanstory.caribbeangeoportal.com/>

- Each Applicant needs to include a title and short abstract (500-word limit) as to what the submission will illustrate. All submissions must be in ArcGIS StoryMaps format. Other supplementary materials, such as a URL to a live website, can also be included in the Entry.
- All submissions must be in the English language.
- Entry topics may focus on areas of the economy, society, natural resources or the environment. Organizers especially encourage submissions around the topics of urban planning, sustainable development, health, agriculture, culture, climate and hazards of all kinds.
- All Applicant entries will be submitted to an international panel for selection.
- Licenses of ArcGIS software will be donated to students

for the duration of the Contest.

- A judging committee will select finalists. Judges will consider a variety of criteria, including but not limited to topics, techniques, design and writing, see [judging rubric](#).
- All Entries must be the original work of the Applicants.
- StoryMap and supporting documentation must be submitted electronically at: <https://yourcaribbeanstory.caribbeangeoportal.com/>
- Final submissions must be in ArcGIS StoryMaps format and publicly available for review.
- Students submitting one of the finalist entries may be asked to supply documentation proving their student status.

Complete instructions for entering this Contest are available at <https://yourcaribbeanstory.caribbeangeoportal.com/> . Completion of the entry form, including, but not limited to, name, address, phone number, and email address, is required.

SUBMITTING AN ENTRY INDICATES APPLICANT'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS CONTEST, ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, AND ANY ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS THAT ORGANIZER MAY INSTITUTE IN ITS DISCRETION.

**5. Contest Period:** This Contest opens for applications on January 24, 2022. All Entries must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Pacific daylight time (PDT) on, February 28, 2022 ("Contest Period"). Applications received after this date and time will not be considered. Each Entry is considered received when accepted by Organizer. **The deadline for StoryMaps submission for judging is April 30, 2022.**

**6. Judging:** Judges appointed by Organizer will determine the winners. Entries will be judged on the basis of effectiveness in making subject matter interesting and understandable; providing an engaging user experience; and overall design, impact, and creativity as well as to topics, techniques, design and writing. In the event of a tie, judges will decide the final winner.

**7. Odds:** Odds of winning will vary depending on the number of submitted valid Entries and the skill and quality of the submitted Entry(ies) based on the judging criteria described above.

- **Prizes:** Students may submit in one of the two tracks to be eligible for an award:
  - Place-Based Storytelling
  - GIS Application

Prizes will be awarded for:

- **Best overall submission for Women in GIS** - US\$3,500 sponsored by Riegl USA
- **Best overall submission for Climate Change** - US\$2,000 sponsored by Geol

- **Best overall submission for Sustainability** – US\$1,000 sponsored by Trimble
- **Exemplary Research** – Intern/Externship – sponsored by The University of the West Indies
- **Most Innovative Solution for Development** – Intern/Externship sponsored by the Government of Jamaica
- **Best App** – Intern/Externship sponsored by GeoTechVision
- **Best Story Map** – Intern/Externship sponsored by Esri

**8. Winners are limited to one (1) prize overall.**

Please Note: Failure of a winner to claim the prize awarded may result in disqualification and selection of an alternate winner. Prizes are not transferable, and no substitutions will be made. Winners are solely responsible for any taxes on the prizes, and Organizer may withhold such taxes from the prize amount prior to awarding to winners. Travel, accommodations/lodging, and other related expenses are the financial responsibility of the winners.

**9. Notification of Winners:** Winners will be announced at CARIGEO Student Awards Ceremony May23, 2022. Applicants do not need to be present to win. Winners will be required to verify their eligibility. If Organizer is unable to reach the winner by phone and/or email within three (3) separate attempts, the corresponding prize will be awarded to an alternate winner. Should multiple Applicants using the same email account enter this Contest and a dispute thereafter arises regarding the identity of Applicant, the authorized account subscriber of said email account at the time of submission will be considered the Applicant. "Authorized account subscriber" is defined as the natural person who is assigned an email address by an Internet access provider, online service provider, or other organization that is responsible for assigning email addresses or the domain associated with the submitted email address.

**10. Publicity:** Except where prohibited, participation in this Contest constitutes consent for Organizer to use Applicant's name, likeness, voice, opinions, country of residence, and Entry for promotional purposes in any media without payment or consideration. As a condition of prize acceptance, Contest winners agree to allow Organizer to publish their name, their organization's name, and a description of the work as well in all media of communication now known or later developed. Contest

winners agree to execute an Affidavit of Eligibility and Waiver/Release of Liability and Publicity.

**11. Statement of Originality and Redistribution Rights:**

This Contest is intended for the free exchange of samples and tools related to Organizer's software products or services. By submitting an Entry, Applicant asserts that the Entry is original and has been independently produced and grants Organizer and its agents the unconditional, irrevocable, royalty-free, worldwide right to publish, redistribute, use, adapt, edit, rebroadcast, publicly display, and/or modify such Entry in any way, in any and all media, without limitation and without consideration to Applicant, whether or not such Entry is selected as a winning Entry. Any Entry that is not produced by Applicant or that violates patent, copyright, trademark, or trade secret laws is ineligible.

BY SUBMITTING AN ENTRY, APPLICANT REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS THAT APPLICANT HAS ALL RIGHTS, TITLE, AND INTEREST NECESSARY TO GRANT ORGANIZER THE ROYALTY-FREE, WORLDWIDE, IRREVOCABLE, AND UNRESTRICTED RIGHT AND LICENSE TO ADAPT, PUBLISH, USE, COPY, REDISTRIBUTE, EDIT, (RE)BROADCAST, PUBLICLY DISPLAY OR PERFORM, AND/OR MODIFY SUCH ENTRY IN ANY WAY AND POST THE ORIGINAL ENTRY ON THE INTERNET OR USE THE ORIGINAL ENTRY IN ANY OTHER WAY, AND APPLICANT AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD ORGANIZER HARMLESS FROM ANY CLAIMS TO THE CONTRARY.

By submitting an Entry, Applicant agrees that Applicant's submission is gratuitous and made without restriction and will not place Organizer under any obligation, and that Organizer is free to disclose the ideas contained in the Entry on a non-confidential basis to anyone or otherwise use the ideas without any additional compensation to Applicant. Applicant acknowledges that, by acceptance of the submission, Organizer does not waive any rights to use similar or related ideas previously known to Organizer, developed by its employees, or obtained from sources other than Applicant.

**12. Disclaimers:** Applicant shall assume all responsibility for ensuring Applicant's entry is received by Organizer within the Contest Period. No liability or responsibility is assumed by Organizer resulting from Applicant's participation in or attempt to participate in this Contest or download any information in connection with participating in this Contest. No responsibility or liability is assumed by Organizer for technical problems or malfunctions that may affect the operation of this Contest including, but not limited to, any of the following occurrences: hardware or software errors; faulty computer, telephone, cable, satellite, network, electronic, wireless, or Internet connectivity or other online communication problems; errors or limitations of

any Internet service providers, servers, or hosts; garbled, jumbled, or faulty data transmissions; failure of any email transmissions to be sent or received; lost, late, delayed, or intercepted email transmissions; lost, late, delayed, or intercepted mail; inaccessibility of the Esri Contest website, in whole or in part, for any reason; traffic congestion on the Internet or the website; unauthorized human or nonhuman intervention in the operation of this Contest including, without limitation, unauthorized tampering, hacking, theft, viruses, bugs, or worms; destruction of any aspect of this Contest; or loss, miscount, misdirection, inaccessibility, or unavailability of an account used in connection with this Contest. Organizer is not responsible for any typographical errors in the announcement of prizes or these official rules or any inaccurate or incorrect data contained on the website. Use of the website is at Applicant's own risk. Organizer is not responsible for any personal injury or property damage or losses of any kind that may be sustained by Applicant's or any other person's computer equipment resulting from participation in this Contest, use of the website, the download of any information from the website, or use of the prizes. By participating in this Contest, Applicant thereby releases and indemnifies Organizer from any and all claims, damages, or liabilities arising from or relating to such Applicant's participation in this Contest and agrees to resolve any dispute individually, without resorting to any class action. By accepting a prize in this Contest, winners agree that Organizer shall not be liable for any loss or injury resulting from participation in this Contest, acceptance or use of any prize, or any travel related thereto.

Applicant agrees to comply with all export laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the entry in this Contest and agrees not to submit any Entry except in compliance with such laws, rules, and regulations.

ORGANIZER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DISCONTINUE THIS CONTEST WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE OR TO NOT GRANT ANY PRIZES IF THE SUBMITTED ENTRY DOES NOT MEET THE CRITERIA SET FORTH HEREIN. ALL JUDGING IS FINAL AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO APPEAL. APPLICANT EXPRESSLY CLAIMS OWNERSHIP OF ANY ENTRY SUBMITTED AND AGREES TO HOLD ORGANIZER HARMLESS FOR ANY CLAIMS OF OWNERSHIP OR RIGHTS TO THE ENTRY BY THIRD PARTIES. APPLICANT AGREES TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD ORGANIZER HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST ANY LOSS, LIABILITY, COST, OR EXPENSE, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES, THAT MAY BE INCURRED BY APPLICANT AGAINST ANY CLAIMS, ACTIONS, OR DEMANDS BY A THIRD-PARTY ALLEGING THAT THE ENTRY INFRINGES THE RIGHTS OF A LEGITIMATE PATENT, COPYRIGHT, TRADEMARK, OR TRADE SECRET.

IN NO EVENT SHALL ORGANIZER BE LIABLE TO APPLICANT FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ENTRY; COSTS OF PROCUREMENT OF SUBSTITUTE GOODS OR SERVICES; LOST PROFITS OR WINNINGS; LOST SALES OR BUSINESS EXPENDITURES, INVESTMENTS, OR COMMITMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH ANY BUSINESS; LOSS OF ANY GOODWILL; OR ANY INDIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THIS CONTEST, HOWEVER CAUSED, ON ANY THEORY OF LIABILITY AND WHETHER OR NOT ORGANIZER HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGE. THESE LIMITATIONS SHALL APPLY NOTWITHSTANDING ANY FAILURE OF ESSENTIAL PURPOSE OF ANY LIMITED REMEDY.

**13. Privacy Policy:** Organizer’s privacy statements will apply to this Contest and to the information that Applicant provides to Organizers as part of this Contest entry. By entering this Contest through clicking the “Submit” button, Applicant gives express consent for Organizers to utilize Applicant’s contact information provided as part of this Contest entry for Organizer’s promotional and business purposes. Organizer’s privacy policy can be found at [esri.com/legal/privacy.html](http://esri.com/legal/privacy.html).

**14. Esri Governing Law and Severability:** This Contest is governed by the laws of the state of California, United States, with venue in San Bernardino County, California, United States, and all claims must be resolved in the federal or state courts of San Bernardino County, California, United States. Laws in Applicant’s country of residence may give Applicant the right to file claims before the courts of that country and may provide that some laws of that country are also applicable to this Contest. However, if any provision of the official rules or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance shall be declared to be invalid, unenforceable, or void, such decision shall not have the effect of invalidating or voiding the remainder of the official rules, it being the intent and agreement of the parties that the official rules shall be deemed amended by modifying such provision to the extent necessary to render it valid, legal, and enforceable while preserving its intent or, if such modification is not possible, by substituting another provision that is valid, legal, and enforceable so as to give effect to Organizer’s intent.

Accepted and Agreed

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Applicant Name

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Signature

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Email Address

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Phone Number

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Questions or comments about this Contest may be sent to [YourCaribbeanStory@esri.com](mailto:YourCaribbeanStory@esri.com)



\* Independent English speaking countries of the Caribbean

1. Antigua and Barbuda
2. Bahamas
3. Barbados
4. Belize
5. Dominica
6. Grenada
7. Guyana
8. Jamaica
9. Saint Kitts and Nevis
10. Saint Lucia
11. Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
12. Suriname
13. Trinidad and Tobago