

REPORT ON The eNGO Challenge Award 2014

The eNGO Challenge Award started to create an ecosystem of NGOs who are using Information Communication Technology (ICT) and digital media tools for good governance and practices benefiting societies and communities at large. The Challenge seeks to recognise, salute and honour NGOs using these mechanisms. The eNGO Challenge is a joint initiative of Public Interest Registry (PIR) and Digital Empowerment Foundation (DEF).

This year's 3rd eNGO Challenge award held on 5th November 2014 at India Habitat centre, New Delhi. The event was graced by the presence of dignitaries from various countries across South Asia. In this award more 800 representatives from 600 NGO participated.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Exposure to most Innovative ICT practices
- CSR – Crowd Funding – Digital Inclusion Leveraging
- Networking opportunity like no other
- Gala Awards

Inaugural

The event was kick-started by Mr. Osama Manzar, Founder and Director of Digital Empowerment Foundation who talked about the idea behind this Award. Mr. Brian Cute, CEO of Public Interest Registry informed about the .NGO domain and why it is launching and how the NGO will be benefited.



Other Inaugural Panelists included the following eminent personalities:

1. **Mathew Cherian, Director, Help Age India**
2. **Brian Cute, CEO Public Interest Registry**
3. **Anshu Gupta, Founder Director, Goonj**
4. **Neelesh Misra, Founder, Gaon Connection**
5. **Fiona Asonga, CEO, Telecommunications Service Providers Association of Kenya**
6. **Shrikant Sinha, COO, NASSCOM Foundation**

7. Geoffrey Wokulira Ssebagala, *CEO, The Unwanted Witness, Uganda, Africa*
8. Upendra Aryal, *Executive Director, Equal Access, Nepal*

Awards Gala

The awards gala was Moderated by Osama Manzar, Founder & Director, Digital Empowerment Foundation

This year we received a total of 307 nominations out of which 102 nominations cleared the first screening out of which 70 were chosen by the virtual jury to finally compete for the awards. Grand jury finally picked 49 finalists out of which 8 winners, 10 runners-up, 2 Juror's mention and 1 special mentions were selected. The jury also selected the most innovative entry of the year out of the total finalists.



Chief Guests:

1. Prof Anil K. Gupta, Padma Shri National Award, Prof. IIM-Ahmedabad
2. Brian Cute, CEO, Public Interest Registry



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