

# Natural Gas Innovation Wins Intel Entrepreneurial Award

Intel Foundation Awards \$25,000 to Winning Team

## **NEWS HIGHLIGHTS:**

- -- OsComp Systems of the Dominican Republic won the 2010 Intel+UC Berkeley Technology Entrepreneurship Challenge, receiving a \$25,000 award from the Intel Foundation.
- -- OsComp Systems invented a breakthrough technology with the potential to significantly reduce costs in the natural gas supply chain.
- -- Other top-placing teams were Magoosh, which created a personalized academic test preparation technology, and ADTELLIGENCE for its advertising targeting platform for the social web.

BERKELEY, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- OsComp Systems of Pontificia Universidad Catolica Madre y Maestra in the Dominican Republic has won the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Intel+UC Berkeley Technology Entrepreneurship Challenge, which seeks to support and promote entrepreneurship globally. The team of entrepreneurs won for inventing a breakthrough, patent-pending technology that could reduce operating and capital costs for natural gas compression by more than 30 percent. The Intel Foundation awarded the winning team the top prize of \$25,000.

Second place was awarded to Magoosh of the University of California, Berkeley, for its personalized academic test preparation technology that allows students to learn through short-form videos that deliver content according to each student's strengths and weaknesses. Third place went to ADTELLIGENCE of the University of Mannheim in Germany for its advertising targeting platform for the social web, which enables advertisers to precisely target their campaigns and increase online shop revenues using real data from social network users or single sign-on services such as Facebook, Connect and Open Social.

"For more than four decades Intel has been a leader in innovation," said Wendy Hawkins, executive director of the Intel Foundation. "From this, we've found that some of the best ideas are still out there, in the minds of today's students. By helping these ideas grow, we are fostering students, such as those present at this competition, to have a positive impact on society, which will in turn help strengthen the future global economy."

The competition, held at the Haas School of Business at UC Berkeley, drew 27 teams from 19 countries. Founded in 2005, the Intel+UC Berkeley Technology Entrepreneurship Challenge is a joint project of the Intel Foundation and the UC Berkeley Lester Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation that is designed to motivate young entrepreneurs to develop innovative technologies that solve real world challenges, build viable business models, and

move that technology out of university labs and into the market.

This year, the finalist teams presented business plans that reflect groundbreaking work in such fields as technology, environment, healthcare and education. These plans include solutions for alternative energy, waste management, early detection of breast cancer, foodborne diseases, online education and human computer interaction technology. Representatives of more than 20 leading venture capital firms from the San Francisco Bay Area served as judges of the competition and provided valuable feedback to the teams.

In addition to today's awards ceremony, Intel launched a People's Choice Awards Contest for the public to vote for their favorite team of young entrepreneurs who participated in this week's competition. Visit <a href="https://www.inspiredbyeducation.com/vote">www.inspiredbyeducation.com/vote</a> to learn more and vote.

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The school's Lester Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation is an internationally recognized program and the primary locus at Berkeley for the study and promotion of entrepreneurship and new enterprise development.

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