How can I apply to the CHARIoT Challenge?

Please register to the CHARIoT Challenge at [www.chariotchallenge.com](http://www.chariotchallenge.com). In the upper right, you'll see the “Register” button where you can indicate if you’re applying for either the “Build Augmented Reality Interfaces for Public Safety” contest or the “Emulate Smart City Data for Emergency Scenarios” contest. Don’t forget to review the prize rules on [Challenge.gov](http://Challenge.gov) or the CHARIoT Challenge website, and to attend the [Challenge webinar](http://Challenge.gov) on April 14th at 11amMT.

How do contestants find first responders to work with?

Each NIST PSCR prize challenge has different opportunities and/or requirements on how and when they will collaborate with first responders. For example, for the CHARIoT Challenge, individuals applying to participate in the “Build Augmented Reality Interfaces for Public Safety”, AR developers will indicate their partnered public safety organization or indicate they are willing and need to be matched with a public safety organization when register and submitting their concept paper and video. Then, From May 25 to May 28th, invited contestants, that did not compete with a public safety entity, will be introduced by NIST PSCR and its Challenge partners.

Can I compete in a prize challenge if I have been funded by another govt entity?

The eligibility for each prize challenge is different, so please check the eligibility criteria in the official rules for each competition. In general, for most NIST PSCR challenges, you are eligible to compete in a prize challenge if you have been funded by another government entity but you may not use that funding toward competing in the challenge.

Can you discuss the EDA, PSCR and FirstNet disaster response and resilience(R2) challenge?

The Accelerate R2 Network is a grant opportunity organized by the Economic Development Agency, in collaboration with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) and the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet). The application window for the funding opportunity has closed, but, we soon hope to announce the grantees that will seek to create a nationwide network or networks of organizations working to address the nation’s most pressing disaster response and resiliency (R2) challenges with innovative technologies. For more information, please visit: [https://www.eda.gov/oie/accelerate-r2/](https://www.eda.gov/oie/accelerate-r2/).

Is there a timeframe for the release of the sub meter accuracy location services challenge?

Thank you for your interest in the sub meter accuracy location services challenge, of which we’ve called the First Responder 3D Indoor Tracking (FR3D) prize. Any updates about our prize challenge will be announced on our PSCR website, [https://www.nist.gov/ctl/pscr/open-innovation-prize-challenges/current-and-upcoming-prize-challenges](https://www.nist.gov/ctl/pscr/open-innovation-prize-challenges/current-and-upcoming-prize-challenges). Currently, NIST Is seeking
applications on grants.gov for entities who seek to serve as the prize administrator of the competition and applications are due on April 30, 2020. For more information on the status of the grant, please visit: https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=321433.

Also, don’t forget to review additional information from our Location-Based Services research portfolio here: https://www.nist.gov/ctl/pscr/research-portfolios/location-based-services.

Is the list of contestants shared before the competition?

NIST PSCR does not share a list of contestants before a competition but does publicize the prize winners both of any prizes awarded throughout phases of the challenge and the final prize winners. This information is posted both on Challenge.gov and on the PSCR website.

How do I get more information on the other challenges that are about to launch?

NIST PSCR announces all of its challenges on the PSCR website and through its e-newsletters, so we recommend signing up for any announcements here: . Additionally, all of NIST PSCR’s and other federal government’s challenges are posted on www.Challenge.gov.

Are the pre-commercialization and virtual accelerator programs run under NIST or PSCR and what durations are those programs? Are they available only to challenge winners?

More information will soon be available about NIST PSCR’s pre-commercialization programs, such as the duration and eligibility requirements, on our website: https://www.nist.gov/ctl/pscr.

Are competitors required to have any kind of insurance in order to participate?

Each prize challenge has different requirements if they require liability insurance or if that requirement has been waived. Please be sure to check the terms and conditions of each competition for information about any liability insurance requirement.