

# WINNERS OF THE UNIDO INTERNATIONAL AWARD *INNOVATIVE IDEAS AND TECHNOLOGIES IN AGRIBUSINESS*

The [winners of the International Award 2017 Innovative Ideas and Technologies in Agribusiness](#) were celebrated in a ceremony held in the context of the Special Conference Inspire Power: Food Security for Developing Countries.

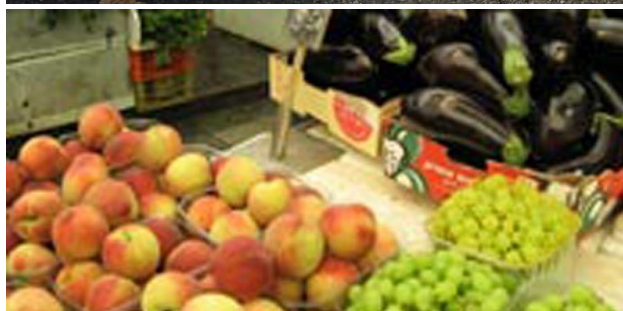
Starting from the crucial role played by agriculture in developing economies and the impact of innovation, the aim of the award, promoted by the United Nations Organization for Industrial Development UNIDO ITPO, consists in identifying the best technologies and innovative ideas at the international level in the footech and agtech sectors with the potential of improving the socio-economic conditions of developing countries.

Out of 330 participants from over 80 countries, a total of 5 start-ups have received awards under the following three categories: Overall, Women, Under 35.

The following innovations have been rewarded:

- [Yarok. Fast Food Safety Testing System for produce exporters](#)
- [Coffee Flour made from the discarded pulp and skin of the coffee cherry.](#)
- [Evaptainers, mobile and modular evaporative coolers](#)
- [BiocopacPlus. Sustainable bio-based coating from tomato processing by-products for food metal packaging](#)
- [DEMETRA. Natural, post-harvest treatment for fruit preservation](#)

Mentions of honor went to two international start-ups: the project RICULT by the Pakistani Usman Javid that supports credit access for smallholder farmers, and ELECTRAP, an environmentally sustainable solution without the use of pesticides for the protection of Red Palm Weevil which are widely present in the world, particularly in Arab countries.



Through this contest UNIDO ITPO aims to create connections between the private, academic, financial and institutional sectors that will help to provide concrete answers to food security and safety issues, triggering a primary factor for growth and development.

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