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PROJECT INNOVATION TO MARKET (I2M)

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Our Vision

Project Innovation to Market (I2M) is an initiative of the Innovation and Technology Management Office of the University of Lagos, with the vision of **building an integrated support system for a sustainable innovation ecosystem in Nigeria.** The project was designed to drive long-term sustainable economic growth and a pathway towards introducing new and scalable innovations.

Our Objectives

Here are our organisational objectives

- Bridging the knowledge gap by providing comprehensive learning resources on how to innovate and translate research outputs into marketable products.
- Bridging the access gap by providing funding, resources, equipment, and facilities to support innovators and make their ideas market-ready.
- Creating market linkage by establishing pathways and channels for innovations to reach the market.





FROM THE PROJECT DIRECTOR



The University of Lagos has been a frontier institution in creating frameworks that engender innovation from both students and faculty. This is evident from the innovation structures that exist within the institution. In 2022, the Innovation and Technology Management Office (ITMO) of the University began actively engaging in grant application activities to help drive the University's vision for innovation and technology transfer.

The office received a grant of \$352,682 grant from the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) through the Research and Innovation Systems for Africa (RISA) in 2023. It came at a time when the University management led by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Folasade Ogunsola FAS began the thrust to make UNILAG the lighthouse of innovation to other universities.

The first year of execution challenged us as a team to take some risks, try new ideas, go the extra mile to foster numerous innovations, build various partnerships, and see that the project succeeds. The project team also learned things to change and things to consolidate.

I want to especially thank the management team of the University of Lagos for their unquantifiable support in seeing that this project is impactful. I also want to thank our partners from the industry and academia for their support. I salute the directors of the project and the project team for working hard to achieve the results we have recorded hitherto. I welcome you to go through this report to see the impact of Project I2M across Nigeria.

Dr. Abiodun Gbenga-Ilori

Director, Project I2M & ITMO, University of Lagos

THE PROJECT LEADERSHIP













FROM THE PROJECT FUNDERS



The RISA Fund is delighted to extend its collaboration with the University of Lagos to support the Innovation To Market (I2M) Project. This project is crucial for the development and market scaling of novel technologies. It places a special emphasis on strengthening the connections between research and innovation systems, ensuring that innovators from the I2M Project are equipped with the necessary resources and funding to transition from research to commercialization.

The Research and Innovation Systems for Africa Fund (RISA Fund), an initiative by UK International Development of the UK Government, is dedicated to fortifying the research and innovation landscapes across Africa. This Fund receives financial backing from two distinct Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) programmes: the Strengthening Research Institutions in Africa (SRIA) for bolstering research ecosystems, and the African Technology and Innovation Partnerships (ATIP) for innovation enhancement.

The RISA Fund is committed to three primary objectives:

- Research Institutions and Systems (SRIA): This objective focuses on supporting research organizations with the necessary capabilities to generate relevant, top-quality research. Additionally, it aims to cultivate a supportive environment for both researchers and their institutions.
- Innovation System Strengthening (ATIP): To strengthen the enablers for the scaling of new and emerging technologies with a high potential for poverty reduction and inclusive growth.
- Fostering Synergies between Research and Innovation Systems (SRIA + ATIP): The initiative aims to discover and nurture connections between research and innovation systems, enhancing their integration and coordination.

Mrs. Alice Omisore-Dada

Nigeria Country Lead, RISA

FROM THE PROJECT FUNDERS



The I2M project at UNILAG has been a successful attempt at driving a paradigm shift in the mindset of the university community from research for research purposes to research for impact. We are seeing an increasing number of academicians adopting the principles of innovation for impact with commercialisation being an intentional component of the research process where real world problems are solved with monetary returns being generated from solution up-takers.

Beyond the university community, I2M has embraced innovators who are not researchers, hence expanding the impact of the university on the wider Lagos metropolis within which it is located to enrich the technical skills and lived experience of informal sector players.

This being a pilot project, portrays the unending opportunities within the larger Nigerian economy which the RISA Fund hopes to strategically unlock using Science, Technology, Research, and Innovation.

RISA was an opportunity to test the waters and explore several ideas that could help strengthen the science-technology research and innovation ecosystem within the African region. For Nigeria, we are glad that this experiment within the University of Lagos is gradually yielding remarkable success beyond just the scope of the intervention, but also influencing frameworks within the University which helps improve research activities such that it culminates in contribution to national development.

Oluwasegun Adetunde

Research and Innovation Adviser - West Africa, FCDO

FROM THE HOST UNIVERSITY



In a world driven by constant change and technological advancement, innovation has become the key to success for individuals, businesses, and entire economies. It is the lifeblood that fuels growth, creates jobs, and improves the quality of life for people around the globe. However, despite the abundance of brilliant ideas, many innovators face significant hurdles when turning their concepts into viable commercial ventures. That's where Project Innovation to Market steps in.

This initiative aims to bridge the gap between innovation and commercialisation. Its primary objective is to provide innovators/researchers with the necessary resources, mentorship, and support to transform their ideas into market-ready products and services. One of the key strengths of this project is its holistic approach. It considers the multifaceted nature of innovation, recognising that success requires more than just a brilliant idea.

Participants of this project have gained access to a wide range of services, including prototype funding, training, business registration, Intellectual property protection, start-up funding, an incubator program, licensing, and networking opportunities. It is a thing of pride that the University of Lagos is hosting a project that continues to empower innovators to navigate the complex journey from ideation to market launch.

Professor Folasade Ogunsula

Professor Folasade Ogunsola, FAS

Vice-Chancellor, University of Lagos

FROM THE HOST UNIVERSITY



The benefits of Project I2M extend beyond the individual innovator. This project addresses the unique problems we face within our societies with creative solutions by facilitating the creation and development of innovative, market-ready products and services. The innovators in this program have taken on a good number of the United Nations' sustainable development goals by creating solutions to issues that plague our nation such as healthcare, quality education, food security, and responsible consumption and production.

With just one cohort, Project I2M's impact is undeniable. Truly innovative solutions have been created, ground-breaking startups have been established, and they have all been done while integrating sustainability with innovation.

This project is implemented by the Innovation and Technology Management Office (ITMO) at the University of Lagos, and we are proud to say that it has received recognition and support from various organisations both within and outside the country. Project I2M has received funding from UK AID through RISA, and their support has helped to ensure that the project is sustained and continues to make an impact in the Nigerian innovation ecosystem.

As the supervising deputy vice-chancellor of the Innovation and Technology Management office, I am excited about the future of Project I2M and the impact it will continue to have on innovation and sustainable development in Nigeria and beyond.

Professor Spodele Atseruwa

Professor Ayodele Atsenuwa

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Development Services), University of Lagos

₦850, 000 Seed

Grant awards

PROJECT 12M AT A GLANCE

Composite **Applications** Received

Onboarded innovators

Prototypes funded

Trainees and Mentees

Startups incubated \$5,000

AWS credits to 17 innovators

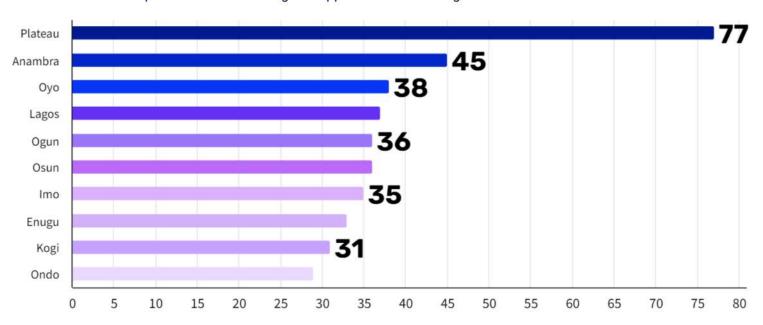
seed grant winners

Intellectual property filings

Business and Tax Registration

Distribution of Applications Received Across Nigerian States

The project received applications from indigenes across 34 states in Nigeria. The diagram below illustrates the distribution of applications received from the top 10 states with the highest applications across Nigeria.



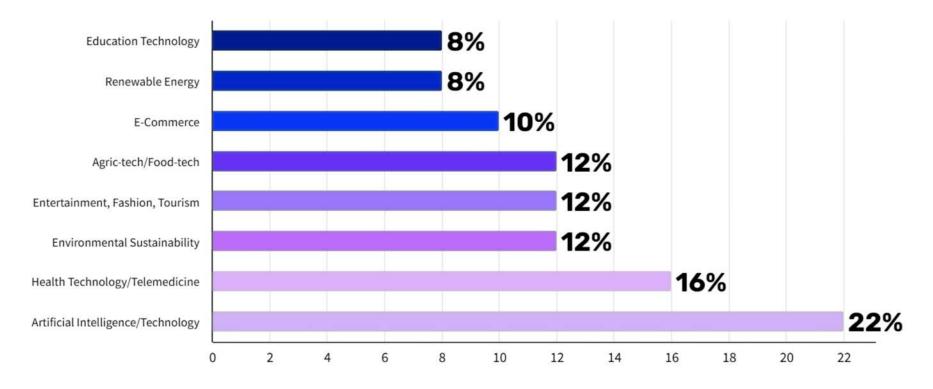
Stages of Innovation

Illustrated here is the breakdown of applications according to the various stages of innovation development. Some individuals joined the project with either a Minimum Viable Product (MVP) prototype or idea. In total were 216 ideas, 99 MVPs, 131 prototypes, and 181 proofs of concept.



Distribution of Incubatees Across Industry Sectors

The diagram illustrates the distribution of innovators participating in the program across various sectors, with corresponding percentages denoting their representation. The innovators who participated in the first cohort are involved in a diverse range of sectors. From technology and healthcare to sustainability and education, these innovators have one thing in common; they have all created products that are innovative solutions to unique societal challenges, particularly within the Nigerian context.



In preparation for the second cohort, the project team will use the above-presented data in deciding the metrics for onboarding new innovators. As the program continues to grow, it becomes increasingly important to facilitate the commercialisation of innovative ventures across a diverse range of sectors in the industry. This will potentially result in a greater impact on the society as a whole.

Project I2M Launch

On Thursday, May 11, 2023 Project I2M was officially launched at the Faculty of Social Science Lecture Theatre in the University of Lagos. It was a successful event as many experts across the various segments of the industry were in attendance. They expressed their enthusiasm for the project's potential to invigorate the university's innovation ecosystem by giving life to innovative ideas.





Project I2M's iBank

To enable a seamless management of innovators and innovations, Project I2M created the Innovation Bank (iBank) which is an end-to-end platform that manages innovators, stakeholders, and the project team to assist innovators in getting a refined product that proffers solutions to problems bedevilling our societies. The platform provides various resources, including learning management tools, communication tools, feedback, and staff management tools.

The onboarded innovators utilised this platform to receive training and mentorship from Project I2M's facilitators. Of the 524 innovators onboarded, a remarkable 69% completed their training on the online platform.

RESULTS OF THE IBANK USAGE

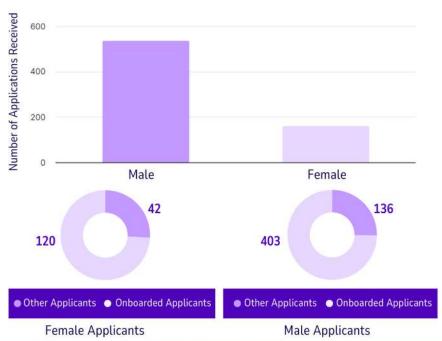
The iBank serves many purposes including the recruitment of project staff, issuing a call for applications from innovators and researchers, and the subsequent assignment of innovators to Innovation Product Managers. The assessment of innovators was conducted along with training facilitated through the Learning Management Tool. Interactions between innovators and the project team, as well as the allocation of resources, were part of the project's activities.

The iBank platform was used to assess the applications of 75 researchers and 627 innovators. Out of these, 54 researchers and 469 innovators were successfully onboarded as trainees. The iBank platform offered a total of 7 training modules, resulting in the training of 362 innovators.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Application & Onboarding

The first cohort of the project received 702 applications from Nigerians across the country. The number of applications comprised 539 males and 162 females, while 1 preferred not to reveal their gender. 524 applicants were shortlisted and selected, and of these, there were 403 males and 120 females. This results in a remarkably balanced success rate of about 74.77% and 74.07% for the male and female applicants respectively. All successful applicants were onboarded onto the iBank: a virtual learning platform.



Gender Equality & Social Inclusion (GESI)

From the planning stage, the project was designed to ensure an equitable representation of persons of interest who fall within the GESI classification. The persons who made up this group include women, youths (aged 16-35 years), Persons with Disabilities (PWD), and persons from low-income backgrounds. Society unwittingly stifles the participation of certain groups of persons in programs like this.

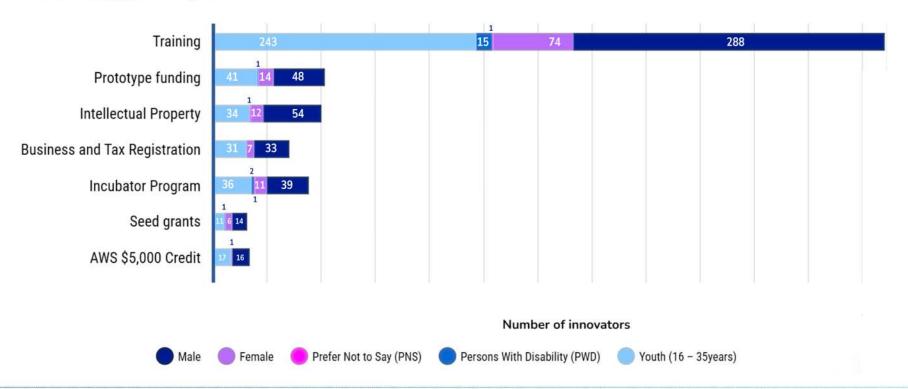
For instance, in Nigeria, many working-class women are underrepresented in innovation-related activities due to their concurrent role as the primary household caregivers. As a matter of fact, Project I2M received far less applications from women than from men as shown in the bar chart. This results in an unfair representation of women in innovative enterprises. In addition, many young Nigerians are focused on their educational commitments, and as a result, may be unable to take advantage of opportunities like Project I2M. Furthermore, persons with disabilities are significantly underrepresented in the innovation ecosystem of Nigeria.

Therefore, this project aimed to address these challenges by giving particular consideration to innovators within the specified categories of the GESI recommendations.

Gender Equality & Social Inclusion Considerations on Project I2M

Project I2M adopted a strategic approach to ensure that the allocated resources were distributed among participants inclusively. For instance, 74 female participants were onboarded in the innovation training program, along with 15 Persons With Disabilities and 243 youths. This approach aimed to address the barriers that often hinder the participation of certain groups within the society. These groups include women, youth and persons with disabilities. By the end of the first cohort, 41 youths, 14 women and 1 person with a disability had benefited from prototype funding. In addition, 1 female innovator and 17 youth have benefited from a \$5000 AWS credit.

Further, 12 female innovators and 34 youths were beneficiaries of the intellectual property protection facilitated by the project. This deliberate inclusion of marginalised groups is a testament to Project I2M's dedication to furthering an inclusive environment in the innovation ecosystem in Nigeria.





Chiemela Anosike (Innovator, Solaris).

In apropos of the incubator program, 50 start-ups were shortlisted based on preset metrics. 11 of those startups were female-led startups; with one of the women being a nursing mother of a 4-month-old child. She reached out to the project team and expressed in detail the situation. The project team reviewed her concerns and was interested in supporting her towards attending the physical component of the training.

This was because, during the virtual training session, she exhibited sincere dedication. As a result, the project covered the logistics cost of attending the physical sessions with her daughter's nanny. Chiemela participated in the 1-week physical component of the incubator program and acquired the necessary skills needed for her business to scale. Incidentally, she was one of the winners of the seed grant worth eight hundred and fifty thousand naira in the Start-up pitch competition. Additionally, she received a five hundred thousand Naira grant from the Special Senior Adviser to the President of Nigeria on Entrepreneurship Development in Communication, Innovation and Digital Economy. Within the context of her unique situation, her achievements at the end of the incubator program is a testament to what is made possible with GESI.

To promote human capital development in innovation and its ecosystem, a training program was planned for innovators to learn how to translate research outputs into innovations that solve societal challenges. To ensure inclusivity for busy mothers, persons with disabilities and young people, the training was prerecorded, self-paced, and included subtitles to make it accessible for those with visual impairments. As a result, 74 women, 248 youths, and 15 PLWDs participated in the training.

The training sessions resulted in improved human capital development, growth mindset, enthusiasm, increased network, and more participation of youth and women. Further, the onboarded innovators improved their business acumen and technical skillsets and expanded their network through the training and events. This encapsulates our theory of change.

Ecosystem Strengthening Goals

BUILDING INFORMED HUMAN CAPITAL

As part of this project's efforts to promote the **Ecosystem Strengthening Goals** (ESG), we have been actively providing training on innovation to both researchers and innovators across Nigeria. The innovation training benefitted 288 males and 74 females. In addition, 50 incubatees (39 male and 11 female) received guidance on how to create, run, and scale a startup. This incubator program benefitted both researchers and innovators.

INNOVATION TRAINING RESULT

As a result of the innovation training, researchers and innovators have developed a deeper understanding of how to innovate, synthesise their research work, and take their innovations towards commercialisation. The training has led to the successful creation of prototypes by 14 researchers and 48 innovators who were able to create prototypes from their proofs of concept.

INCUBATOR TRAINING RESULT

Attendees of the incubator training have gained knowledge on how to run and manage a startup, as well as how to fundraise for their startups. The project has recorded 50 startups that are legally registered in Nigeria, 40 of which are operational, with 30 already generating revenue and many going on to raise extra funding.

ACCESSIBILITY OF FINANCE AND STRENGTHENING FUNDING CAPACITY

The primary objective of this project was to facilitate financial accessibility and improve funding capacity. To accomplish this, we funded the prototyping of 62 innovative products that met specific metrics and provided seed grants to 20 startups.

The results have been remarkable: innovators and startup owners are now better positioned to connect with potential partners for funding or commercialisation. Several startups have successfully raised additional funding, while one has even been accepted into Seedstars – an international accelerator program.

MOBILISING A COLLECTIVE ECOSYSTEM FOR ADDRESSING DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

To tackle specific developmental challenges, the project put together an innovation consortium consisting of ten universities and one student-led organisation. The goal was to establish a platform for knowledge exchange and enable inter-institutional collaboration that would facilitate research translation into innovation, and give support towards commercialisation.

As a result, researchers and innovators from these institutions were able to benefit from training, prototype funding, incubator training, and learn from the processes of the University of Lagos. This has resulted in the improvement of their systems and frameworks within their respective institutions.

Innovation Training

In response to the pertinent issue of limited technical know-how among potential innovators, a comprehensive training program was developed and the project invited industry and academic experts as facilitators. Every aspect of the innovation process was covered in the carefully selected training topics. To keep the training engaging and interactive, practical examples were incorporated into each session. By the end of the training, the trainees came away with a deep understanding of the innovation process, as well as the skills and knowledge necessary to drive innovation within their startups. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive.

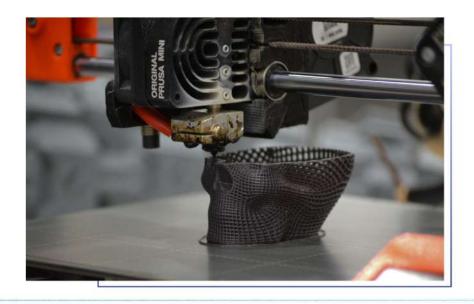
The knowledge you're imparted with, they just don't teach you from a book. It's not just like lectures, it's more practical. They bring industry professionals...it's really been an exciting journey.

Peters Jeusyiyemi Barnabas (Innovator, Travayé)

 The training centred on seven broad topics namely: An Introduction to Project I2M, Design Thinking, Innovation and Creativity, Product Development Process, Innovation Product Development, Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer Processes.

Prototype Funding

The objective of the funding was to help catalyse the innovation, to bring it to a state where it can be appreciated by prospective partners, customers, funders etc. Innovators on the project had to pitch to a panel made up of Directors on the Project and Industry specialists, who had the job of selecting innovations that met preset metrics. 62-Innovators made it as finalists and were given funding to create market-ready prototypes. 61 of these innovators have fully accessed and implemented their prototypes. This support allowed them to bring their innovative ideas to life.



Intellectual Property Filing

Intellectual Property (IP) Protection is an essential component towards commercialisation. It helps safeguard and guarantee the innovator's ownership rights to the intellectual property of the invention/innovation. The project extended this benefit to 67 innovators on the project by filing for the protection of their innovations.

These IP filings include patent applications, trademark registrations, and copyright registrations. As a result, our innovators rest assured that their intellectual property is protected and that they will be able to fully benefit from their hard work and innovation. To help our innovators protect their intellectual property rights, we enlisted the services of an IP consultant. Below is an overview of the status of the IP filings that were submitted on behalf of our innovators.

TYPE OF IP	NUMBER OF FILINGS	STATUS
PATENT	18	 15 - Processed and awaiting the outcome from the Patent Office 3 - Processed and Acknowledgement letter received from patent office
TRADEMARK	36	36 - Processed and awaiting the outcome from Trademark Office
COPYRIGHT	13	13 - Processed and awaiting the outcome from Copyright Office

Incubator Program

One of the most effective ways of bringing innovation to the market is through startups. To that end, 50 innovators with startups were selected to participate in an incubation program. After a rigorous selection process based on strict preset metrics, the 50 startups were shortlisted for the 6-week program. The program included 5 weeks of online instruction, followed by 1 week of in-person accelerated incubator training. The selected innovators were taught essential skills such as managing a startup, fundraising and scaling for growth. The following table details the status of the 50 incubated startups.

REGISTRATION	GRANTS	OTHER SUPPORT	STATUS OF OPERATIONS	RESOURCES RECEIVED POST INCUBATION
19 Startups registered by Project I2M 21 Startups self- registered by innovators	20 Seed Grant Winners	8 AWS Credit 2 SSA awards 1 Social Media Award 1 Industry Linkage	40 Startups operational 10 Startups not operational	5 Incubated startups have received additional support.

Evidently, the accelerated startup incubation program was a huge success as it provided our innovators with the skills and resources to launch or establish their innovations in the market. Please see page 38 for more details on the incubation program.

Innovation Consortium

The Innovation Consortium constituted one of the major milestones of the project in 2023. It was incorporated to provide a framework that supports research institutions, institutes and organisations with tangible research outputs that can solve societal problems and impact the economy. The support will ensure the translation of these research outputs into innovations that would be nurtured to commercialisation. The consortium will catalyse partnerships and accelerate the transition of discoveries from the laboratory to the marketplace for societal benefits. The consortium was positioned to drive the achievement of the project goals in the following ways:

- Creating awareness and visibility for the project across their institutions.
- Sourcing, identifying, and supporting research outputs and technologies that have the potential for accelerated commercialisation
- Providing platforms that will support proof of concept (POC) development, prototyping, and access to laboratory tools
- Promoting sustainable partnerships that will encourage collaborative research and information sharing
- Providing professional mentorship to researchers/innovators that will facilitate their involvement in entrepreneurship and business development activities
- Providing Monitoring and Evaluation for innovations under Project I2M taking place either in their institutions or in its vicinity.

The primary purpose of this consortium is to move the innovation ecosystem towards knowledge sharing for the deepening of interinstitutional collaboration to enable research translation to innovation. Part of Project I2M's first-year success is the establishment of a research consortium that comprises eleven (11) members. The project has signed and agreed with the following universities/organisations to partner together towards fostering the objectives of Project I2M. In addition to the research consortium, Project I2M also plans to establish partnerships with industry leaders, government agencies, and other stakeholders to create an innovation ecosystem that supports the commercialisation of research and innovation outputs.

OUR CONSORTIUM PARTNERS

Bayero University, Kano (BU)
University of Ibadan (UI)
Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU)
Lead City University
University of Benin (UNIBEN)
University of Nigeria (UNN)
Maranatha University Lagos (MUL)
University of Jos
The Professor Ayodele Awojobi Design Competition (PAADC)
Imo State University (IMSU)
Olabisi Onabanjo University (OOU)

PROJECT 12M IN PHOTOS



















































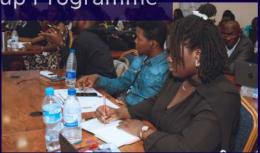


















MEET THE INNOVATORS

INNOVATORS WITHIN THE UNILAG COMMUNITY

In an effort to support innovative ventures emanating from within the university community, Project I2M ensured that staff (academic and non-academic), students and alumni benefited from the initiative. This strategy also allows the project to facilitate the transfer of research outcomes into practical technological advancements. Hence, the initial 22 innovators listed in the following tables are affiliated with the University of Lagos, either as students or staff. For the innovators who required monetary support to build their prototypes, the funding spectrum was as follows: Lowest: #185,000, Highest: #1,300,000, Average: #500,000.

Additionally, in a collaborative effort with Amazon Web Services (AWS), the office extended a \$5,000 credit voucher to tech-startups.

S/N	NAME	STATUS/ DEPARTMENT	TITLE OF INNOVATION	SYNOPSIS OF INNOVATION	RESOURCES RECEIVED
1	Akodu Kehinde Ashiyat	Staff Physiotherapy	CerviTech	CerviTech is a cutting-edge solution that helps users correct their forward head posture, a common spine disorder caused by excessive smartphone use, especially among young people. The application is compatible with Android and iOS devices, tracks the user's neck angle in real-time, and provides personalised goals and exercises. The app helps to prevent musculoskeletal problems of the spine caused by abnormal usage of smartphones and also improves the quality of life among undergraduates with Forward Head Postures.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator Program.
2	Buraimoh Maria Olanike	Staff Microbiology	Eco-Friendly Organic Ltd	The production of organic acids [industrial biochemicals] by the digestion of inorganic materials such as plastic wastes. The produced organic acids from the process have a multipurpose application, especially in the beauty industry.	Prototype funding, Incubator Program, Startup Seedgrant
3	Favour Urhiofe	Student Elect/Elect Engineering	Organisational Document Tracker	An automated document tracking system that aims to improve the efficiency of document verification processes in educational, civil service, and public service organisations.	IP Filing

S/N	NAME	STATUS/ DEPARTMENT	TITLE OF INNOVATION	SYNOPSIS OF INNOVATION	RESOURCES RECEIVED
4	lgboanugo Chisom Rita	Student Elect/Elect Engineering	Fluid Monitor	A fluid monitor with multiple sensors that measure hydrostatic properties to provide precise and effective readings.	IP Filing
5	Ojegbile, Kathryn Labake	Postgraduate Student	Computer Aided Drawing Learning Tool (CADLT) for Technical Drawing Students	This software is a tool used by both teachers and students in secondary schools to teach and learn technical drawing. It helps students to be able to perform Geometric drawing generation. It is an electronic method of impacting the knowledge of isometric views and other geometric drawings, for beginners	IP Filing, Business and Tax Registration
6	Ologunagba Modupe Oluyemisi	Staff Pharmacy	Topical Herbal Gel	A balm for the treatment of burns from organic locally sourced materials. The solution aims to be an affordable and effective local alternative to treating burns in Nigeria.	Prototype funding
7	Omokhoba Blessing Yama	Staff AIROL Hub	Automatic Waste Disposal System (AWDS)	The AWDS is a smart device for bedridden patients in hospitals. It uses gesture recognition technology to improve waste disposal. This innovation ensures the comfort, dignity, and safety of bedridden patients while optimising hospital operations.	Prototype funding
8	Omolola Salako	Staff Radiation Biology, Radiotherapy and Radiodiagnosis	Prose Care	Prose Care is a cancer treatment app, which helps oncologists and cancer patients to collect Information on the medication side-effects, and administer real-time action that can be taken by patients through telemedicine.	Prototype funding, Incubator Program
9	Sanyaolu Atinsola Motunrayo	Student Mechanical Engineering	Development and Prototyping of an Affordable Multifunctional Baby Warmer	A multifunctional Baby Warmer called NeBlankey is safe, affordable, and easy to use, with a unique dual function to manage hypothermia and ensure the safe transportation of babies to treatment facilities. It is energy-efficient, with a fluid that has a high heat capacity and uses low heat conductivity materials for insulation. The solution has the potential to reduce neonatal mortality in resource-limited settings, providing a much-needed solution to the challenges posed by existing methods.	Prototype funding, IP Filing, Business and Tax Registration.
10	Adams, Luqman Ayodeji	Staff Cheimistry	Bioactive glass- based dentifrice	An innovative, cost-effective fluoride-containing bioactive glass dentifrice for dental remineralisation.	IP filing

	NAME	STATUS/ DEPARTMENT	TITLE OF INNOVATION	SYNOPSIS OF INNOVATION	RESOURCES RECEIVED
11	Adetona Oladejo Sunday	Staff Elect/Elect Engineering	An Android Based Improved Automation System (ABiA)	ABiA system is a solution that automatically powers on/off connected devices or appliances remotely from anywhere, globally. Users can have real-time information on the power status of connected appliances through their phones, and make status-changing decisions.	Prototype funding.
12	Akojede Joshua Olorundara	Student Biomedical Engineering	Incubed	Incubed is a locally conceived and developed revolutionary alternative to imported incubators for infants. The incubed is cheaper and very effective in managing preterms babies.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration.
13	Asaboro Daniel	Student Mechanical Engineering	DelivaPro	DelivaPro is a cost optimisation solution for the logistics sector. It is a platform that onboards delivery bike riders and connects them to users. On the app, riders can pick up packages while in transit to deliver other packages. It can be likened to the Uber for deliveries	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration.
14	Balogun, Olugbenga, Adeola	Staff Elect/Elect Engineering	A PLL (phase- locked loop) for Integration of Inverter Based Energy Resources into Weak Grids	This product introduces a proportional plus resonant (PR) controller for determining the phase angle and frequency in distribution grids in Nigeria. This is a more efficient method of increasing the efficiency of weak power grids. This would result in the reduction of dependence on fossil fuel which will invariably reduce carbon footprints.	Prototype funding
15	Ekundayo Philip	Student Civil Engineering	3D Virtual Try-on	A 3D virtual dressing room that can be integrated into an e-commerce app which enhances users experience after visiting/purchasing items from a fashion/e-commerce store.	Prototype Funding IP filing, Incubator Program, AWS \$5000 Credit
16	Ifeakor Nnaemeka Praise	Student Elect/Elect Engineering	Closed loop university payment system	A Cutting-Edge Payment Gateway for Efficient Student-Vendor Transactions and Data-Driven decision-making for Nigerian Universities.	IP filing, Business and Tax Registration.
17	Joshua Adeoye Olumide	Staff Security Unit	JOSHTECH INCUBATOR	Joshtech Incubator is a cost-effective, user friendly incubator for egg- hatching and meat production. The product ensures accessibility for farmers and agri-business owners in need of efficient incubation solutions.	Prototype funding.

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18	Mustapha Adamu David	Student Sysytems Engineering	XRNet	This product is a virtual reality solution that can be embedded or integrated to any other platform of software. The product gives users the ability to get an enhanced and imersive shopping experience through virtual reality using their phones.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program.
19	Ojo, Oluwatobi, Michael	Student Chemical Engineering	Melody Al Futursight	It is a bookkeeping mobile application that can create business models using AI and IoT. This application would assist SMEs in organising their business orders, following up on their returning customers, calculating and analysing business data, monitoring product sales, and foreseeing business data.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program.
20	Oyewale Wasiu Abioye	Alumnus Science and Technology Education	Katenate-Oye Organic Chemistry Board game	A board game designed to aid the learning of organic chemistry. This board game exists as a portable board game(for individuals) and in table form (for laboratories and schools).	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program,
21	Peters Jeusyiyemi Barnabas	Student Finance	Travayé	Travayé is an exciting tech and lifestyle startup that provides convenient vacation destination recommendations tailored to users' budget constraints. The concept is to allow easy vacation destination suggestions based on the budget the user inputs. This application enables tourists to plan trips within budget.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator program, Startup seed grant.
22	Sofolahan Oluwanifemi Praise	Student Business Education	Apere	Apere is a student-focused innovation. It is a physical and online grocery store whose main objective is to enable students and the general populace to access organic farm products at affordable rates.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program, Startup seed grant.

The individuals mentioned above are innovators associated with the University of Lagos through their status as students, staff, or alumni. The subsequent tables feature individuals who are not affiliated to the University of Lagos in any way; this includes innovators and researchers from the general Nigerian community.

INNOVATORS OUTSIDE THE UNILAG COMMUNITY

	NAME	TITLE OF INNOVATION	SYNOPSIS OF INNOVATION	RESOURCES RECEIVED
23	Nicholas-Okpara Anuli Viola	Wholesome Onion Paste	An innovative onion paste solution with modern-age packaging. This initiative adds value to onions, significantly extends their shelf life, and reduces the hassle of peeling and cutting.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator Program, Startup seedgrant
24	Adebayo Tolulope Adeola	Heads of Nations Leadership Board Game	Heads of Nations is an immersive board game that transcends entertainment, offering players a dynamic educational experience in leadership, decision-making, and real-world problem-solving. This game addresses contemporary societal issues while fostering practical life skills	IP Filing, Incubator program, Business and Tax Registration
25	Adeoye Joseph Timilehin	Acceede	Acceede is a flexible payment platform and revenue-based financing marketplace for schools. They provide credit profiling and payment collection services tailored for schools; empowering them to accurately identify parents who are unlikely to default on fee payment. Connecting schools to financial partners who can provide up to 90% of termly revenue upfront for smooth operations.	IP filing, Incubator Program.
26	Ofodile Lauretta Nwanneka	Alternative to Potato Dextrose Agar	An innovation that offers a locally made fungal growth medium, Durum Wheat Waste Dextrose Agar (DWDA), as a cost-effective alternative to imported Potato Dextrose Agar (PDA). The product is specifically designed to support the mycelial growth of various fungi, making it invaluable for mushroom farmers and researchers alike	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator Program, Startup seedgrant
27	Adeyemi, Adeleke Peter	Cubbes	Cubbes is a student productivity tool. It harmonises courses, timetables, past questions, and other resources and tools to help students with organisation, and improved academic performance. It is also a nexus for students across tertiary institutions on the platform to network and collaborate.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator program, Startup seed grant
28	Adio Samuel Abijo	Aviv wallet	A fintech solution distinguished with an innovative geolocation feature that connects users who seek cash withdrawals to instant money providers (IMPs).	Prototype funding.
29	Agubata Obumneme Chukwuma	Production of drug carriers using lipids derived from nuts of Irvingia species	This carrier system, utilising a liquid solution derived from Irvingia species, significantly enhances drug absorption and reduces the challenges associated with the body's incomplete absorption of drugs.	Prototype funding.

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30	Ahoame Isaac Msughter	CES Shuttle Medical Laboratory.	CES Shuttle Medical Laboratory uses of a digital platform to manage patients' health. They provide services to pick up test samples from the patient and drop them off for clinical tests. On the platform, the patient receives the test results prepared by the designated health outlet. This provides comfort for the user and saves commute time.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator Program.
31	Akinsanya Oluwaseun Taiwo	Dynalimb	Dynalimb leverages 3D printing technology to create customised and cost-effective medical devices for people with disabilities and amputation. Their innovative products include prosthetic limbs, orthotic braces, seat cushions, and a plastic-filament converter that recycles waste into raw material.	Incubator Program
32	Ede Stephanie Nwakaego	ReHBox	ReHbox is an AI powered mobile application that uses motion tracking and machine learning algorithm to monitor patients home exercise progress. It enables physiotherapists onboard patients virtually plan exercise programs, and track exercise compliance, thereby improving rehabilitation effectively.	IP filing, Incubator Program
33	Akpan Donatus Victor	GIFTY - Digital Shop Maker	Gifty is an e-commerce B2C platform that enables small and growing businesses to launch their e-commerce websites in under 5 minutes and receive orders from customers avoiding repetitive sales conversations online. The platform keeps accurate sales records while helping the vendor track their best-selling products. It enables them to experience shorter sales cycles on WhatsApp with accurate sales records; and also grow their business with the Al-powered sales growth assistant which empowers them with business growth insights for enhancing their marketing efforts, boosting sales, and optimising customer retention.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator Program.
34	Akpan Omoh Anthony	Taaskly	Taaskly is an all-in-one suite for African businesses, connecting businesses and customers conveniently and efficiently. Taaskly's offerings include features such as payment processing, escrow services, marketplaces, and comprehensive customer and sales management.	IP filing, IncubatorProgram.
35	Akpem Terese Shadrach	Vet Konect Ltd	Vet Konect is a digital animal health company that is leveraging technology to provide access to animal care and social protection for livestock farmers and pet owners across Nigeria. It is the first digital platform that directly connects veterinary professionals, veterinary clinics, and vendors to livestock farmers and pet owners through their mobile devices.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator prrogram.

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36	Amidu Mohammed	Ecofeet footwear	Ecofeet is a sustainable footwear made from scrap tires and fabric wastes. The footwears are designed to reduce carbon emissions by 70%, increased durability by over 200%, fashionable design and affordable. They offer an easy payment method of pay as you trek using paystack as a payment gateway for ease of payment and affordability.	Incubator Program, Startup seed grant
37	Apena Oyinpreye Oluwatobi	Fixed Energy Rate for Solar Home Systems	Dedicated to bridging the electricity gap in rural off-grid areas, this innovation provides affordable access to essential power for phone charging, home lighting, and small businesses. Utilising solar home systems and solar mini-grids, they deliver clean, reliable, and cost-effective electricity to rural communities, ensuring a brighter and more sustainable future.	Incubator program
38	Kwuelum Viany Eniola	Placebo	Placebo intends to address the challenge of medication accessibility and information in Nigeria. It will provide a revolutionary platform that empowers users to easily access comprehensive medication information, compare prices from various pharmacies, and make informed purchasing decisions.	Prototype funding, IP filing.
39	Asham Terngu James	PureAgroXS	PureAgroXS is an innovative agricultural procedure that provides a solution to practical problems farmers face daily. The management of waste, by collecting agricultural wastes from farmlands, and transferring the waste to companies or establishments that use the wastes as raw materials for the production of fertilisers and other agro products, connects waste producers with waste entrepreneurs.	Business and Tax Registration.
40	Asonye Chukuemeka Canice	Fortification of Cassava Food Products	This innovative solution addresses micronutrient deficiencies in Sub-Saharan Africa through the fortification and industrial production of cassava-based food products. By enriching these products with essential micronutrients, the initiative aims to combat malnutrition-related health issues.	Prototype Funding, IP filing
41	Atere Charles Onimisi	Nimsy solar pumps	A solar-powered water pump for improved agricultural practice, especially irrigation. It is designed to meet the agricultural water demands in the northern part of Nigeria, although not limited to the region. The solution also possesses a back-up battery, that works based on converted energy from the sun and can completely irrigate 1-2 acres of land when fully charged, which usually takes 3 hours.	Prototype funding

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42	Awhanto Yemayinse Joseph	Automatic Fish Feeder	Automatic Fish Feeder is a remote multi-feeder device designed for both birds and fish. It enables every user to have the ability to feed their animal without being physically present, just by using their mobile phone, via a phone call.	Prototype funding, IP Filing, Business and Tax Registration.
43	Balogun Alli Babatunde	ResearchGains	ResearchGains, revolutionises data gathering and documentation, providing an intuitive platform for efficient data collection, quick responses, and access to extensive datasets.	Prototype Funding, IP filing, AWS \$5000 Credit
44	Oluyemi Olaoluwa Blessing	HairNow: Glamour without the Wait.	A mobile application that enables user book salon appointments from the comfort of their home. Also, users can an monitor in realtime, the availabilty of their hair stylist.	Prototype funding
45	Bature, Abdullahi, Amir	Arm Propeller Module as Teaching Aid in STEM Education	Creating an immersive learning experience through the development of a microcontroller-based arm propeller for Nigerian students in STEM.	Prototype funding
46	Chuma Ezinwanne Uzoechina	Chota Address Verification	Chota provides instant and reliable address verification services, ensuring that customer data is precise and up-to-date. By integrating Chota into their processes, businesses can streamline KYC procedures, reduce fraud, and enhance customer trust.	IP filing, Incubator program, Startup seed grant
47	Ekpo Fidelis Martins	Qataloog	Qataloog is a higher education learning content distribution engine providing curriculum-curated learning content conveniently and cost-effectively.	Incubator program
48	Fatima Kabir Umar	Greenium Eco	A low carbon emitting stove that uses briquette derived from agricultural wastes as its combustible substance. Alternatively, the stove is solar powered with an inbuilt blower system.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration.
49	Emenuga Magnus Ebuka	Enginemetric system	Engine Metric System solution is a hybrid hardware and software assembly, that intelligently monitors the state of any engine system, ranging from generators to car engine systems, and provides the health status of the engine with a specific laydown of engine parts with practical ways of maintaining each of these parts and the system generally.	Prototype funding, IP Filing.

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50	EMERONYE IKECHI GODSLOVE	Corn-based Fungi	A green biotech startup that turns corn waste into Corn Waste Glucose Agar (CWGA), a bioresource that offers a cost-effective alternative to imported culture mediums for scientific research and quality control.	IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program
51	Emmanuel Onwusoro	Food-Waste 2 affordable leather. (Eco-friendly more affordable leather)	This is an innovative way of recycling food waste. The innovator converts food wastes into durable and strong leather materials through an innovative process.	Business and Tax Registration.
52	Emmanuel Terwase	MarketGrids	Market Grid is a smart solar microgrid for market clusters utilising the Pay-As-You-Go model, IoT monitoring and Artificial intelligence to control power systems remotely and predict faults.	Incubator program
53	Eniola Oladipupo Sodiq	NUROW: Modularised IoT solution	NUROW, the modularised smart home appliance, is an affordable appliance that improves the smartness of any home leveraging the technology of IoT. It comprises of a smart extension, lamp holder, and sockets, all connected to a hub, and can be controlled remotely from anywhere, globally.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator Program
54	Ezeme Clinton Harold	Changecollect	There is often a dearth of lower denomination bills, hence, making it hard for people to receive their balance after making purchases in stores or other cash transaction-dependent engagement. Changecollect is a fintech product addressing the challenge of change for physical cash transactions with the ultimate goal of delivering a cashless society.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator Program, Startup seed grant
55	Fadairo Adeyemi Michael	Ghost air	Ghost Air is a platform for landlords and Tenants. This platform is an online marketplace that offers lodging and connects travelers with local hosts. The hardware, Ghost Switch enables users(Landlords) to control their apartments with a smartphone. The application nulls human influence in the process of negotiation (without the need for agents).	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator program, Startup seed grant
56	Faluyi Kayode Mofolorunsho	A reusable and biodegradable sanitary pad	This is an agriculture-based sanitary pad made with banana fibre, corn starch and bamboo fibre that reduces the risk of infectious disease caused by the use of the available sanitary pads in circulation in the environment.	Business and Tax Registration.

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57	Gift Muoneke	Stand alone solar energy systems	Building solar generators that power large power-consuming devices like printers, laptops and other household appliances. This can be termed as a power bank. It is suitable for use by people who can not afford the standard solar generated electricity.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program
58	Gushit, Stephen John	Developing Environmentally Friendly BioPesticides	An emerging innovation from research. The organic bio-pesticide is poised to combat pests in agricultural practices while massively boycotting the adverse effects of conventional chemically produced pesticides. The innovation has negligible environmental and human effects comparative to the existing.	IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program, Startup seed grant.
59	Ibraheem Akande Abass	Texton: Sporto	Sporto is a mobile application that showcases and connects African sporting talents to the world of sports. The application aims to allow easy access to sports talents within Africa. This mobile application has many prospects of granting African talents in sports a platform to access the international world of sports.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration.
60	Anosike Chiemela Miracle	Solaris Power Booth	Solaris Power Booth is a green/renewable energy startup designing, manufacturing, and deploying micro solar solutions for off-grid communities. Their innovative product, Solaris Power Booth provides an all-in-one power station for communities disconnected from the grid.	Incubator Program, Startup Seedgrant
61	Ige Clement Oluwabori	Road Anomaly Avoidance Device	A cutting-edge solution leveraging advanced technology to monitor and alert road users about road anomalies, including bumps and potholes. This innovation enhances road safety, mitigates vehicle damage, and addresses challenges posed by poorly maintained roads in Nigeria.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration
62	Igwe William Ugochukwu	Sponsurrdotcom (Now Tipsona)	The innovation is an online fundraising platform for any need or dream. Social media content creators are one of the major target users of this platform. Sponsurrdotcom (Now Tipsona), is a one-stop shop for its users. In addition, the web application, would prioritise campaigns of social impact. This could include highlighting campaigns that are making a positive impact on society, creating a system to match donors with causes that align with their values, and providing tools for donors to share campaigns on social media and encourage their networks to get involved.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration.

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63	Ikwunemelu Johnbosco Chibueze	Ipala Foodtech solution	Ipala foodtech solution is a vertical operating system designed for food item retailers in African markets. The system aggregates information from stores and links it to customers who live in the same vicinity as the stores.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator Program,AWS \$5000 Credit.
64	Johnson Jaiyeola	Helgg	The innovation provides a ride-sharing network of electric vehicles via a mobile app using IoT technology. They will deploy electric vehicles in various communities in Nigeria and hope to have an electric vehicle fleet comprising Escooters, E-bikers and E-bicycles.	IP filing, Incubator program
65	Oshi Shalom Eneyi	AGRISITI	Agrisiti (MAATALOUS NASAH) is a startup that specialises in a 3in1 vertical farming system which combines poultry, catfish, and vegetable farming. It is a food production system that simultaneously combines catfish rearing, poultry, and vegetable farming. Its major aim is to reduce cost and increase yield.	Prototype funding,
66	Madu Solomon Chijioke	Biomass Plastic Composite (BPC) for Wall Cladding and Ceiling Tiles Production.	A game-changing innovation in the circular economy, where plastic wastes are converted to tiles and wall cladding- an affordable alternative to existing building materials	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration.
67	Michael Obiajulu Osumune	Solar Smart Inverter System Project	The innovation here is the design of a single-box solution that provides solar electricity, wi-fi internet access and AI-enabled surveillance. It can also be remotely monitored through a mobile application.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator program
68	Chioma Cassandra Nnanna	OMZN	OMZN is a production management software for garment manufacturing. An end-to-end fashion application, known as a product life cycle management software.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator Program,
69	Nwose Ebube Ifeanyi	Niteon A.I project	NITEON is an AI-powered B2B Marketplace connecting quality African manufacturers to the International market at the best price, and delivery time with an Augmented Reality experience.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program, Startup Seed grant. AWS \$5000 Credit

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70	Obute Johnson Emmanuel	Production of Wax from Plastic Waste (Polyolefin Polymer)	An inovative way of recycling plastic waste for the production of wax. This wax (Polymer Wax or Polyethylene wax) is used by chemical companies for the production of polishes, synthetic lubricants, Masterbatches, protective coating, cosmetics, etc.	IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program, Startup Seed grant.
71	Oche Patrick	Tetrecycle	Tetrecyle provides clean cooking solutions for urban and rural areas, providing eco-friendly briquettes, innovative stoves, and a battery system that enhances cooking efficiency and charging capabilities.	Prototype funding
72	Odole Sunday Abayomi	Topicaltest	An educational tool that helps pre-varsity and undergraduate Students achieve their academic goals with user-personalised interactive technologies.	Business and Tax Registration.
73	Ogunrinde Fidelis Ayodele	The Lagos Hustler	A digital board game centred on Lagos and the eclectic urban life. The game promotes the ideals of the nexus of commerce in Nigeria while providing learning and entertainment.	IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program, Startup seed grant
74	Thompson, Ekpong Lydia	All Green Ivy Ltd.	AllGreenIvy is an LMS for agribusiness. The platform is saddled with all the requisite knowledge to help new and existing entrants in the field of agri-business learn of new and improved means to understanding the agricultural landscape, and providing an even better way to practise.	Incubator Program, Startup Seedgrant
75	Okwuosa Chukwuebuka Emmanuel	Softwork	Softwork is an affordable, multimedia learning web app that provides courses in an alternative format with quizzes and past questions. It enables students to learn at their own pace and from anywhere and offers weekly check-ins and community support.	Prototype funding, IP filing
76	Olanrewaju Oladeji Wareez	An AI-based meal randomiser that suggests meals according to the user's mood to boost productivity and overall well-being.	An AI-based meal randomiser that suggests meals based on the mood of the user. The API being developed would be integrated with food ordering/delivery apps.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Business and Tax Registration

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77	Olayemi Babatunde Idris		An agric-Al based solution. InovaAl identifies the current health challenges of poultry birds through snapped images of the birds excretion. The snapped images of the birds are uploaded, then processed by an embedded Al model powered by computer vision.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator program.
78	Oluwamayowa Salu	Brickify Ltd	A solution that recycles plastic waste for the production of non-load bearing zed- bricks that has proven to be structurally sound.	Prototype funding
79	Onwuamaenyi Chisom Malvin	Cypher	Cypher is a social media App that allows its users to trade and run crypto transactions while utilising messaging tools.	
80	Oriasotie Ehimare Emmanuel	Ledga	The Ledga software helps to address many challenges of academic intra-financing and administration, especially between the school, students, and parents. It boasts of unique functionalities such as parents or guardians being able to pay fees by installments.	Prototype funding, Incubator program, AWS \$5000 Credit
81	Owoseni Yusuf	Plastic Recycling for the Production of Building Bricks	A machine in the circular economy that melts plastic wastes within a closed system, with zero opportunity for additional emissions to be introduced to the surrounding environment. Melted plastic wastes are repurposed into building brick for construction purposes.	Prototype funding.
82	Udoh Idara Esther	Recycling textile waste into new products	Recycling waste textiles for fabric creation is an innovative solution that aims to reduce the negative environmental impact of the fashion industry.	Business and Tax Registration
83	Bulus Ladi	Ladi Morals Farms	A tech-enabled agric marketplace for farmers and consumers for the purchase of fresh farm produce, also focused on minimising post-harvest losses.	Incubator Program, Startup Seedgrant
84	Prosper Chituludike Ukachi	Teacher HQ — Connecting Youth To Jobs & Mentors	Teacher HQ is a comprehensive management platform that facilitates connections between schools and teachers, providing training and support to both parties while also enabling schools to recruit and train teachers.	Prototype funding
85	Abdulbasit Bashir	Renewable Energy / E- Waste Management	Recycled materials are used to create affordable and eco-friendly solar power generators and high-capacity portable power banks for laptops, phones, and basic electronic devices.	Incubator Program

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86	Salahudeen Bolaji Abdulazeez	Wasty Wealth	Addressing indiscriminate disposal of waste, this waste collection system using a web application is a smart and prompt method of collecting waste using two tools. The first tool is a 2-compartment smart waste bin that helps classify waste at the source. with an internal compaction mechanism, the bin can hold at least six times its typical capacity. The fill-level and GPS sensors prevent the smart waste bin from being overfilled and enable just-in-time, coordinated collection by Wasty Wealth Raven, using conventional trucks. The second tool, eco-bike an alternative tool that would be used for collecting the waste.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator program.
87	Soji Augustine Megbowon	VR FOR CLIMATE	This innovation uses tech products like Virtual Reality to give subscribers a front row seat to learn about climate change and its resultant effects on the environment and how to make personal changes to better the environment.	Incubator program
88	Sokunbi Oluwaseun Taiwo	Webhostelsng	A web application made for students which allows them to secure comfortable and affordable hostel spaces from the comfort of their homes.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registration, AWS \$5000 Credit.
89	Sunday Dogo Stephen	Gonana	Gonana is and web3-enabled marketplace for commodity traders worldwide. Gonana has a mobile application and a website.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator program, Startup seed grant.
90	Tunde-Oloba Muyiwa Toluwabori	Lulu Game	A gamified app for learning Nigerian and African languages. The app is focused on reducing the language learning and knowledge barrier among the young Nigerian demography.	IP filing, Business and Tax Registration, Incubator program
91	Unah Lawrence Obinna	An IoT Based Home power System and Gate Automation	GenGate is a multipurpose solution that gives a real-time level of fuel in a heavy-duty generating set. Users can view the level of the fuel in the generating set by using the matching phone app. The device is also designed to automatically power on/off the generator remotely, by leveraging the strength of IoT. Voice control feature is also integrated into the innovation, further standing it out in the marketplace.	Prototype funding, Business and Tax Registratgaten.

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92	Victor Jibrin	ArtisanOga	This is a web and mobile application for artisans and blue-collar workers, connecting them to jobs within their locations and improving their livelihood. The application enables the target users like carpenters, bricklayers, (Artisans), get jobs from potential clients.	Prototype funding, IP filing, Incubator program, Startup seed grant, AWS \$5000 Credit
93	Oluwaseun Raphael Afolayan	Mytherapist.ng	Mytherapist.ng addresses the pressing issue of limited access to mental healthcare in Nigeria, with a specific focus on remote areas. The platform offers affordable and easily accessible teletherapy services, striving to bridge the gap and make mental health support more readily available to those who need it, regardless of their location	IP filing, Incubator program
94	Ebhodaghe Oseodion Victor	CARETRACE	CARETRACE is a painless blood sugar monitoring and management platform for diabetic patients.	AWS \$5000 Credit
95	Adeniyi Aduragbemi Daniel	TouchNut - Contactless technology solution provider	A decentralised contactless payment solution to promote financial inclusion	AWS \$5000 Credit
96	Agharese Aigbovbiosa Joseph	JOSA Renew Energy	Non-transferrable energy renewal asset tied to single building units.	AWS \$5000 Credit

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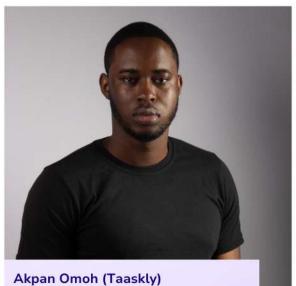








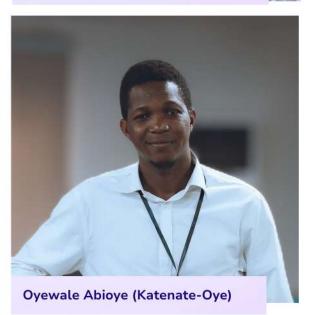








































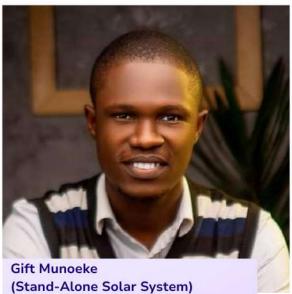


























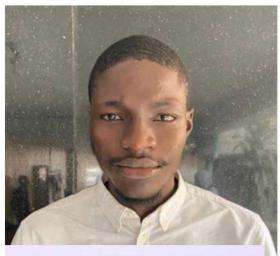












Tunde-Oloba Toluwabori (Lulu Game)

Over the course of 6 weeks, with 5 weeks conducted virtually, the founders of the selected 50 startups participated in an intensive and immersive incubation programme in which they had the opportunity to learn from numerous industry experts. The incubation sessions aimed to impart the incubatees with the knowledge of the rudiments of Establishing and expanding successful startups. In the following tables, are a breakdown of the lessons they learnt.

WEEK	TOPIC	FACILITATOR	DATE	SYNOPSIS
1	Innovation & Entrepreneurship Principles	Edward Esene	26/9/2023	An introductory and immersive session for the participants to the nuance of entrepreneurship and innovation. Distinction between conducting a trade and driving a thriving business with innovation was established.
	Application of Design Thinking in Innovation & Entrepreneurship	Engr. Williams Baah	28/09/2023 - 29/09/2023	Design thinking as an approach to resolving complex business problems. The steps and guidelines such as ideation, creating a persona, empathy, etc. involved in achieving a successful design thinking practice were shared and established.
2	LEAN Model and Principles	Jackson Uwaifo	03/10/2023 - 04/10/2023	How to integrate LEAN in entrepreneurship for the derivation of business success. Expanding on the theory of Mura, Muri, Muda, principles of lean management, and sigma concepts as non-negotiable tools for driving growth.

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	STARTUP SUPPORT S	ERVICES		
3	Branding and Marketing	Reuben Kalu	06/10/2023 & 10/10/2023	Demystifying marketing and branding in the 21st century vis-à-vis winning approaches and strategies for small and medium scale entrepreneurs. Fundamentals and insights on leveraging social media as a tool for brand positioning and marketing.
	Business Financials, Taxation and Auditing	Ayo Emakhiomhe	11/10/2023	The condensed session introduced the participants to the rudiments of business financials- such as understanding inflow and expenditure, and how to capture different types of expenditures in the running of a business. Elucidation was made on the varying tax types, and the ones with obligatory demands on both the business and staff members. The relevance of auditing was shared as to what stages in a business require it. Further knowledge on internal and external auditing was also shared.
	Business Financial Projection Audit and Taxation in Nigeria	Ayo Emakhiomhe	13-10-2023	A detailed session on creating accurate and comprehensive financial projections using a 3-5 year template. The various forecasting techniques for estimating revenues, expenses, and cash flows using historical data and market analysis were extensively elaborated. Also, the concept of taxation and auditing was introduced enabling participants to gain knowledge on the various tax laws and requirements for running a business in Nigeria, the regulations and codes relevant for businesses and individuals, ensuring the participants are well-equipped to contribute to sound financial management practices and make informed decisions.
4	Business Operations: Business Operations & Human ResourceManaging People	Ayo Emakhiomhe	17-10-2023	The key functions of both business operations and human resources management were well understood during this session, equipping them with the skill to create business operational structures while using the best practices for collaboration. It also provided insights into the crucial tools for managing people effectively using case studies for in-depth understanding.
	Commercial Law; Contract Law, Startup Laws, Intellectual Property Law.	Barinaada Alex- Iheanacho	19-10-2023 to 20-10- 2023	This insightful session enabled the participants to understand the necessary tools for establishing a solid legal foundation in business, the factors to consider when choosing a legal structure, the factors to consider when choosing a business name, identifying key stakeholders, creating the best ownership structure, the factors to consider when choosing a cofounder, and the best practice to protect their startup using Intellectual Property protection, the right contracts, and agreements.

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5	Transition from Startup to Scaleup	Emeka Nwachinemere	24/10/2023, 25/10/2023 & 27/10/2023	This session provided the participants with an understanding of what business sustainability is, and how it is the commitment to minimise the negative social and environmental effects while maximising positive contributions. The elements to consider before scaling or expanding a business, factors guiding business expansion, the forms of expansion, and the best use of acquisition and merger as tools for expansion and survival were also well understood by the participants. It was an elaborate session in which the subject, of investment, types of investment valuation and its methods, and the rules of creating one's data room were critically looked into, further equipping the participant with the knowledge required to grow their businesses.
6	PHYSICAL INCUBAT	TION SESSIONS		
	Understanding business model canvas and Development and Demonstration of a business model canvas	Edward Esene	30/10/2023	Introducing the participants to the significance of developing a comprehensive business model canvas as a means of consolidating the value proposition of any venture by actively brainstorming and writing on provided templates.
	Mentor Walk-in Session	Deji Macaulay and Bayo Adeokun	30/10/2023	A fire-side chat with experienced professionals in their selected fields of endeavour and how they have navigated a tough business climate such as Nigeria with adoptable prescriptions for the beneficiaries. Insights on how to raise funding, hiring and managing talents, and organisational culture among others were highlighted.
	The 9 key elements of business model canvas	Edward Esene and Reuben Kalu	30/10/2023	Decoupling the components of BMC vis-à-vis consolidating understanding of customer relationships, key resources, and revenue stream. The facilitators shared insights fro field-learnt experiences.
	Go to Market Strategy	Emeka Nwachinemere	31/10/2023	Participants were exposed to the art and science of introducing a new product or service into the market or creating new pathways for existing products or services. This involves rigorous and extensive research, identifying low-hanging fruits, leveraging social and traditional media for brand positioning and marketing, and scaling.

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6	Competition Map and Stakeholder Map	Emeka Nwachinemere	31/10/2023	A thorough session on identifying and profiling a product's competition and devising means to edge over competitors with product uniqueness, price point, and other strategies. The delineation between competition and stakeholders' establishment vis-à-vis drafting a robust stakeholder map.
	Financial Projections	Ayo Emakhiomhe	31/10/2023	Finance is attributed to be the "lifeblood" of any business. Theoretical and experiential insights were captured to deliver the non-negotiable relevance of financial projections. Inflow, expenditure, taxation, and other obligatory costs were highlighted for detailed knowledge sharing.
	Growth Plan/Business Plan	Ayo Emakhiomhe	31/10/2023	A knowledge-sharing session focused on crafting a robust understudy of the business and its proposition and crafting viable approaches to ensure that the business reaches its potential, and thrives in a rugged business climate. Business models and case studies were explored as a guide to achieving business success.
	Business Intelligence for Strategy & Business Ethics (Paystack)	Motunrola Bisi Afolabi	1/11/2023	During the session, participants were enlightened on business ethics concepts with an understanding of the regulatory frameworks, and the importance of leveraging compliance as a differentiator to gain a competitive advantage both locally and globally. Also, the certification requirements, risk identification, and various mitigation strategies were well understood.
	Growth Plan/Business Plan	Ayo Emakhiomhe	1/11/2023	The participants were made to understand the purpose and use of a business plan, the four key elements of a business plan, what a growth plan is, the connection between a business plan and a growth plan, the steps to creating a business plan, and the qualities to look out for while selecting business partners, all were laboriously detailed during the session.
	Business Insurance and Planning	Kehinde Adeniyi, (AIICO Insurance)	1/11/2023	The participants were enlightened on the importance of insurance to businesses, the various types of insurance, and also the best insurance practices using case studies for a better understanding of the concepts.
	Case studies in entrepreneurship and evaluation of developed business plan (successful vs failed businesses)	Prof Adebisi	1/11/2023	The session examined both successful and failed businesses identifying the competitive advantages they developed and the pitfalls that were experienced by these businesses.

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6	Financial Projections	Ayo Emakhiomhe	31/10/2023	Finance is attributed to be the "lifeblood" of any business. Theoretical and experiential insights were captured to deliver the non-negotiable relevance of financial projections. Inflow, expenditure, taxation, and other obligatory costs were highlighted for detailed knowledge sharing.
	Impact of generative AI on the global economy	David Alozie	2/11/2023	The session helped the incubatees understand the concept of generative AI, identifying the urgency and opportunities, the benefits, dangers, and biases of incorporating generative AI in business, using case studies of both failed and success business stories.
	Business Pitch Skills	Ayo Emakhiomhe	2/11/2023	During this session, the concept of a Business Pitch as a powerful tool for securing investments and partnerships was well elaborated. Key elements like knowing your audience, and starting with a compelling hook while clearly defining the problem to mention a few were studied.























Feedback from Our Incubatees



Adebayo Tolulope Adeola (Heads of Nations): The project helped register my business and also file necessary intellectual property rights. A lot has been given to my team and me.



Akpem Terese Shadrach (Vet Konect): The facilitators brought a really unique insight to everything, I saw very practical lessons that applied to my own startup, so; yes, it was worth it



Chioma Cassandra (OMZN): The e-learning platform, iBank was the most convenient as the courses were self-paced and I could learn from them all night and revisit them at any time.



Emeronye Ikechi (Corn-based Fungal Growth): To me, you cannot just launch into the market; you have to do so systematically and follow due process. Without project I2M, I would not know the best pathway to follow. For instance, the legal practices and the legal aspects of the training. If you are misled, 'I don't know' is not an excuse in the court of law.



Emmanuel Terwase (MarketGrids): The training was very enlightening as it reminded us of the fundamentals that'll help reshape us. Particularly the BMC class, how to get funds, and how to structure your vision and mission, has helped draw our attention to things we need to incorporate as we develop and grow.



Gift Munoeke (Stand Alone Solar System): The program opened my eyes to see and ensure that I am building what the market needs...the magnitude of information on the iBank cannot be compared with what some other masterclass and business classes I've attended in the past and this is more practical, indigenous, and amazing.

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Gushit Stephen John (Eco-friendly Biopesticides): Although it wasn't easy to give nine hours to the lessons per week as a lecturer and researcher, my commitment made a difference. In terms of accessibility of the lessons, I'll give it a nine out of ten. The project is covering a huge gap in academia as it is much needed.



Ofodile Lauretta (Fungigro): Project I2M has been an eye-opener for me. It's an opportunity that is rare for people of my demography... I'm actually in my late 50's, and most of these kinds of programs are limited to young ones. So, it's a big privilege and well appreciated especially by people like us in the academia for whom the tradition has always been to go to the lab, teach students, assess projects, and publish. Project I2M has changed my life. I have always been dreaming of creating a solid business that will stand the test of time. Now I know it is possible because of Project I2M.



Salahudeeb Bolaji (Wasty Wealth): With the training videos on the e-learning platform, iBank has enabled me to grasp the requirements of starting a business and a product. Particularly the patenting of my products.



Adeyemi Adeleke (Cubbess): At the time when we applied, our innovation wasn't in the market. So, just being part of this program, getting that push to take what we are building and just dump it into the market, let people test it, get the MVP into the hand of the users and then let them give you feedback and all of that... I think it has been insightful in that way



Ezeme Clinton (Change Collect): It has been amazing for me. Titi [my IPM] has been amazing. As someone who has applied and participated in other incubator programs, I'll say that even though this is just the first cohort, the environment, the facilitators and the entire program in general has been amazing.



Sunday Stephen Dogo (Gonana): Professor Sunday gave us some good insight and that helped us realign some of the things we had structured. In addition, my IPM has actually managed me very well. I think we started a relationship instead of a work based engagement. We became friends along the way. For me that's a plus to I2M. My experience with the facilitators during the virtual trainings were excellent. I actually was looking forward to meeting them in person.

PARTNER WITH US

Project I2M's impact thus far would not have been possible without the collaboration of several key players. Although our partnerships and collaborations extend beyond what we can list here, we want to extend our sincerest gratitude to our institutional partners – universities and companies that have helped make our first cohort a success. Their commitment to providing educational and financial assistance is deeply appreciated. We look forward to striking more partnerships to achieve our vision of nurturing innovations to commercialisation. If you are interested in volunteering as a facilitator, donating as a sponsor or partnering with Project I2M in any way, please reach out to us via projecti2m@unilag.edu.ng

































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PROJECT I2M INNOVATOR ROADMAP >>>

To turn an innovative idea into a successful, market-ready product, innovators need to validate the concept, conduct market research, refine the prototype, collaborate with experts, gather user feedback, iterate the product, and then launch into the market. At Project I2M, our innovators follow a systematic process to achieve this. First, we send out a call for both innovators and researchers, then we select successful applicants, who are thereafter onboarded onto our ibank platform for innovation training. After our innovators pass through training on innovation, we allocate resources such as prototype funds, intellectual property filing, company registration, tax registration etc, to individual innovators. At the end of their training, outstanding innovators and researchers are selected to partake in a startup incubator programme after signing the necessary documents. This programme aims to educate innovators on the best practices for their go-to-market strategies. Once they conclude the incubator programme, our innovators, now founders, are ready to grow and scale their startups.

