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MediaCore takes top prize in BCIC New Ventures competition

Online learning system takes \$110,000 for two prizes

By Scott Simpson, Vancouver Sun September 26, 2012

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MediaCore, developers of online learning platforms, came away with the \$100,000 top prize Wednesday night at the BCIC-New Ventures competition.

The event in Vancouver was the culmination of an annual competition among top new British Columbia businesses for prizes totalling \$235,000.

In a news release, organizers noted that the list of 15 finalists was winnowed down from 146 applicants.

“Each year our jury is extremely impressed with the quality of companies that enter the competition, and this year was no exception,” Bob de Wit, New Ventures BC Society executive director, said in the release.

[MediaCore](#), based in Victoria, has developed a cloud-based platform that connects instructors with public school and university students, as well as business seminars via online video connections.

The company also won the \$10,000 technology prize.

Other top prize winners included a dental implant technology provider and an online child caregiver search tool.

NaviDent Technologies took the \$55,000 second prize for what is described as “leading edge technological advances to provide dentists a simpler, safer and significantly more accurate procedure to place dental implants.”

MyBestHelper Solutions Inc. placed third, winning \$35,000 for a fee-based system connecting families with caregivers.

Mazza Innovation Ltd. won the \$20,000 B.C. Bioenergy Network prize while Twothirds Water Inc. took the \$15,000 Vancity Social Venture prize.

“These companies join an impressive list of more than 1,500 program alumni over 12 years of competition, including 140 winners who have raised \$112 million in financing and created over 650 jobs for British Columbians,” John Jacobson, president and CEO of the B.C. Innovation Council (BCIC) said. “We look forward to seeing these businesses grow and continue to contribute to B.C.’s economy.”

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