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**Winners of TTSEC 3<sup>rd</sup> Virtual Investing Competition receive Prizes**

On Thursday January 30, 2025, the Trinidad and Tobago Securities and Exchange Commission (“TTSEC”) hosted a prize-giving ceremony for the winners of our 3<sup>rd</sup> national online investing competition, at our International Waterfront Centre, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain offices.

The competition entitled “**Your Christmas Pot of Gold**” was held over the period October 28 - November 29, 2024 and utilised the TTSEC’s stock market simulation gaming platform, InvestorQuest-TT.com (IQTT).

A total of **182 participants** actively traded on the virtual stock market simulator to win the coveted “*pot of gold*”.

IQTT is a **free** investing gaming platform that allows members of the public to trade in virtual and fictitious stocks, bonds and mutual funds to further assist in their investing journey.

The competition targeted nationals 18 years and over and the top (3) players were selected based on their rankings on the leaderboard and active trading each week of the competition.

Name	Placing	Prize
Mr. Joel Amrath	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$2,000 to invest in securities
Mr. Adrian Paul Persad	2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$1,500 to invest in securities
Ms. Ashley Hines	3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$1,000 to invest in securities

When it was first launched in 2019, IQTT, was the first stock market simulator to be developed in the Caribbean. In 2022-2023, the platform was redesigned and upgraded through a collaboration with the University of Trinidad and Tobago (UTT) with modern gaming features.

Since the redesign and upgrade, the platform has been used to facilitate online competitions that promote an understanding of trading on a stock market.

The two prior competitions were:

- **JAVA Mini-Quest** (July 29 - August 16, 2024): 138 participants, and
- **Big Up You Mini-Quest** (August 19 - September 6, 2024): 388 participants.

The TTSEC is currently targeting secondary schools students for our next investing competition: the **TTSEC National Secondary Schools Investing Competition** titled, '*Invest. Grow. Learn.*', which has been approved by the Ministry of Education.

This competition runs from **February 10 to April 04, 2025**, with registration currently open and scheduled to close on **February 07, 2025**. Registration link: <https://investorquest-tt.com/schools>

The Commission encourages participation from all our secondary Schools in Trinidad and Tobago, as we continue to promote education on the benefits, risks and liabilities associated with investing in securities.

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**About the TTSEC:** The TTSEC is governed by the Securities Act Chapter 83:02 and is responsible for overseeing the securities market and ensuring that fairness, equity and transparency remain common values in the marketplace. Our vision is to be an innovative regulator of a thriving securities market, enabling economic development for the benefit of all.

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