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[GIST Science & Culture Week] hosts AI & IoT Makerton Contest

- ☐ GIST (President Kiseon Kim) will host the AI & IoT Makerton Contest *, which is a public start-up program aimed at spearheading the 4th Industrial Revolution, overnight from November 1 to 2, 2019.
 - This event is held at GIST Creative Space G **, hosted by GIST and jointly organized by the GIST Business Incubator, Open Lab Co., Ltd., and Gwangju University.
 - * In the era of the 4th Industrial Revolution, the AI & IoT Makerton Contest is GIST's next-generation educational competition to create prototypes of new ideas using AI & IoT
 - ** GIST Creative Space G was established in May 2018 through remodeling of the prototype production building and is utilized as a complex start-up space where students of local universities, including GIST, and citizens can freely operate (general and educational seminar space, engineering and 3D printing room for prototyping).
- ☐ This competition will provide not only GIST students but also students and ordinary people in Gwangju with the opportunity to produce prototypes using digital production technology conducted by GIST Creative Space G. It aims to promote creative businesses and entrepreneurship by discovering creative ideas in the AI field.

As a result of promoting this year's AI & IoT Makerton Contest nationwide, a total
of 18 teams, including two teams from several provinces, 14 teams from Jeolla
one from Chungcheong and one from Gyeongsang provinces, have applied.

- After receiving the preliminary ideas, 10 teams (40 members in total) were selected. The preliminary competition preparation, including SW coding mentoring, training (3D printers, laser cutters), material selection mentoring, and hardware mentoring were conducted to implement their ideas.
- ☐ GIST Business Incubator Director Byung-gwan Cho said, "The event will serve as a venue for opportunities to derive innovative start-up ideas and validate them with prototypes. GIST will take the lead in identifying and supporting outstanding start-up teams through the planning and operation of unique start-up programs that lead the 4th Industrial Revolution."
 - The event will be held in a marathon competition manner, with a total prize of 1.8 million won, along with the GIST Science and Technology Application Research Group President Award, Start-up Promotion Center President Award, and Special Award.

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