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## Si Se Puede Foundation's Women's Underwater Robotics Team Wins International Competition!

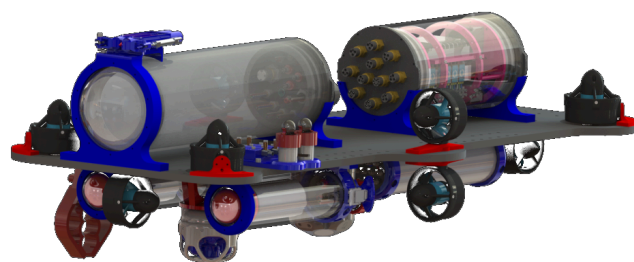
*Desert WAVE, composed of primarily ethnic minority women, outperforms all other teams at the 27th International RoboSub Competition!*

**Dateline: Irvine, California, August, 11, 2024** - Desert WAVE (Women in Autonomous Vehicle Engineering), a collegiate robotics team based out of the Si Se Puede Foundation STEM Center, recently competed in the 27th International Robosub Competition facing off against 41 other teams from 8 countries. Composed of current ASU students as well as those who have recently graduated, the team dominated the field placing first overall during the finals, to our knowledge becoming the first all-women's robotics team to win a world championship! They outperformed teams like Cornell University, Carnegie Mellon University, Indian Institutes of Technology, and the l'École de Technologies Supérieur. Desert WAVE was one of the few teams to enter two robots to work in tandem; Dragon and Baby Dragon. They earned \$6000 for their efforts and are already planning for next year's event!

RoboSub website with results: <https://robosub.org/2024/08/12/robosub-2024-final-standings/>

### Background:

- Desert WAVE website: [www.desertwave.us](http://www.desertwave.us)
- Desert WAVE is a women's collegiate robotics team organized by the nonprofit Si Se Puede Foundation, (SSPF): [www.sisepuedefoundation.org](http://www.sisepuedefoundation.org)
- In addition to SSPF support, the team's major sponsors are KVH, Shebbie Jaques, Optical Cable Corporation, Makerbot, and the Craig and Barbara Barrett Foundation
- The [SSPF STEM Center](#) is located at 3225 N. Washington St. Chandler, AZ, 85225
- Desert WAVE's social media links: [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)
- [Link to the finals webcast](#)



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