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### **Candidatures for Foundation Prizes and Award in 2021**

The Director-General of the World Health Organization has the honour to invite the national health administration of Member States' governments to propose candidatures for consideration for the award of the following Prizes and Award, which will be presented during the Seventy-fourth World Health Assembly in May 2021.

#### **1. Sasakawa Health Prize**

... A copy of the Statutes of the Prize is attached as Annex 1, together with guidelines for the selection of candidates (Annex 2).

The Prize consists of a statuette and a sum of money which will not exceed US\$ 40 000, to be determined by the Prize Selection Panel. The Prize is awarded to a person or persons, an institution or institutions, or a nongovernmental organization or organizations, having accomplished outstanding innovative work in health development, such as the promotion of given health programmes or notable advances in primary health care, in order to encourage the further development of such work (Article 4 of the Statutes). Therefore, the candidate proposed should not only be intimately associated with the work but should have the possibility of remaining involved in its further development.

#### **2. State of Kuwait Health Promotion Foundation, "His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah Prize for Research in Health Care for the Elderly and Health Promotion"**

... A copy of the Statutes of the Foundation is attached as Annex 3, together with guidelines for the selection of candidates (Annex 4).

The Prize consists of a certificate of award, a statuette from the Founder, and a sum of money which will not exceed US\$ 40 000 to be determined by the Selection Panel. The Prize is awarded to a person or persons, an institution or institutions, or a nongovernmental organization or organizations, who have made an outstanding contribution to research in health care for the elderly and health promotion (Article 4 of the Statutes).

#### **3. Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health**

... A copy of the Statutes of the Memorial Prize is attached as Annex 5.

The Prize consists of a plaque from the Founder and a sum of money which will not exceed US\$ 100 000 to be determined by the Selection Panel. The Prize is awarded to a person or persons, an institution or institutions, a governmental or nongovernmental organization or organizations, who have made an outstanding contribution to public health (Article 4 of the Statutes).

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#### 4. Nelson Mandela Award for Health Promotion

... A copy of the Statutes of the Nelson Mandela Award for Health Promotion is attached as Annex 6.

The Award consists of a plaque, and is awarded to one or more individuals or institutions, or governmental or nongovernmental organizations, for their significant individual or institutional contribution to health promotion.

The Award aims to reward work that has extended far beyond the call of normal duties, and is not intended as a reward for excellent performance of duties normally expected of an official occupying a government position or of a governmental or nongovernmental institution (Article 3 of the Statutes).

#### Procedure for proposing candidates

Each national health administration may nominate only one candidate per Prize and Award. Nominations must be accompanied by adequate justification and the most pertinent documentation as evidence of the work carried out by the candidate.

The candidature of a current or a former member of the WHO Secretariat or of a current member of the Executive Board of the World Health Organization will not be accepted. Candidates put forward in past years, but not selected, may be nominated again for the Prizes and Award in 2021.

Nominations for candidates for any of the above-mentioned Prizes and Award should be submitted electronically to [foundationprizes@who.int](mailto:foundationprizes@who.int), together with the appropriate candidature form(s), completed either in English, French or Spanish, and signed by the competent national health authority, in time to reach WHO headquarters not later than **6 November 2020**. It will not be possible to consider nominations received after this closing date.

The candidature forms for each of the above-mentioned Prizes and Award are available electronically on the WHO website in English at <https://www.who.int/governance/awards/en/>, in French at <https://www.who.int/governance/awards/fr/> and in Spanish at <https://www.who.int/governance/awards/es/>. Requests for further information, and for electronic candidature forms if needed, can be sent to [foundationprizes@who.int](mailto:foundationprizes@who.int).

The Director-General of the World Health Organization takes this opportunity to renew to Member States the assurance of his highest consideration.

GENEVA, 22 September 2020