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ARAB GULF PROGRAMME FOR DEVELOPMENT



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برنامج الخليج العربي للتنمية

Riyadh, 15 February 2015.

H. E. The Ambassador
Embassy of Turkey
POB 94390
Riyadh, 11693 - Saudi Arabia

Your Excellency,


AGFUND is pleased to invite international and regional organizations, ministries, public institutions, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), universities and research centers worldwide to nominate, for AGFUND Prize 2014, the pioneering and innovative projects in the field of *Alleviation of unemployment among youth* as follows:

- **FIRST CATEGORY : (US\$ 200,000)** Innovative projects in support of the developing countries' programs & policies to alleviate unemployment among youth (For projects implemented by UN, international or regional organizations)
- **SECOND CATEGORY: (US\$ 150,000)** Innovative projects to alleviate unemployment among youth (For projects implemented by national NGOs)
- **THIRD CATEGORY : (US\$ 100,000)** The governments' role in implementing programs & policies aiming at empowering youth and alleviating unemployment among them through innovative projects (For projects by ministries and public institutions)
- **FOURTH CATEGORY: (US\$ 50,000)** Individual-led initiatives for local community development through innovative projects for youth employment (For projects initiated, sponsored and/or implemented by individuals)

We would highly appreciate Your Excellency's cooperation in sending the enclosed documents to the concerned ministries, public institutions and development organizations operating in your esteemed country, in order to enable them to nominate development projects as they may see fit for the AGFUND Prize.

In the same context, we look forward for Your Excellency's cooperation in promoting AGFUND Prize in your country through the concerned channels and proper media, since the primary objective of AGFUND Prize is to explore the pioneering projects and successful practices, reward them and facilitate their expansion, replication and dissemination of their innovative aspects to improve the living conditions of the poor and the disadvantaged groups, with particular emphasis on women and children in developing countries.

With our best regards,


Nagat Bakr Al-Kahtani
Executive Director



THE NOMINATION FORM

AGFUND INTERNATIONAL PRIZE FOR PIONEERING HUMAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

NOMINATION CONDITIONS

1. Nomination of a pioneering and sustainable project for the AGFUND International Prize constitutes a moral engagement between the Nominator and AGFUND.
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3. Non-winning projects in a given year may not be resubmitted before three years from the date of their first submission.
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13. The documents required from the implementing agency in support of the nomination: Please send the following together with the Nomination Form, bearing in mind that the documents submitted shall be more qualitative than quantitative:
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 - o Two Letters of Recommendation from two different entities not related to the implementing entity and acceptable to AGFUND. Please note that each of the project's two Recommending entities should fill in (SECTION TWO).
14. The winning organizations shall confirm their participation in the award ceremony by their highest officials to receive the Prize:
 - o The chairperson of the organization in the case of international organizations and NGOs.
 - o The concerned minister in the case of government projects.
 - o The founder of the project in the case of individual projects.
15. All documents in support of the nominated project shall be sent by the implementing agency via mail or e-mail to the Department of Communications → AGFUND on the following addresses:
 - o Mail address: P. O. Box 18371, Riyadh 11415, Saudi Arabia.
 - o E-mail: rewards@agfund.org
 - o Fax: + 966 -1 - 441-2962/63.
 - o Courier address: Prince Sattam Street, Fakhriya, Riyadh 11415, Saudi Arabia
 - o Phone: +966-1- 441-8888 ext. (251).

For further information, please visit AGFUND Website: www.agfund.org / www.agfund.org or contact the Communications Department on Phone #: +966-11 441-8888 ext. (251).

1. In (SECTION ONE - Nominator), please provide clear information about the nominator for ease of reference and further communication and state the reasons that motivated you to nominate the project.
2. In (SECTION ONE - Nominator) question (3), please circle the category for which the project is nominated. Each of the four categories is reserved for specific types of projects as indicated in the question.
3. In (SECTION THREE- Implementing Agency) question (1) please provide clear information about the implementing agency for ease of reference and further communication. State the type of agency by choosing one of the choices reflected in question (1).
4. For questions (7) , (8) and (9), please indicate the dates on which the project actually started and terminated, not the "planned" dates.
5. For question (10) (Project location), please specify the geographic area in which the project was implemented. If the project was implemented in different locations at the same time, please indicate these locations.
6. For questions (12) and (13), please clearly indicate the key objectives of the project as stated in the "project document". If changes were introduced during the project implementation process, please indicate that with brief justification for the change.
7. Please provide detailed information on target beneficiaries and their location (question 14).
8. For question (15) and (16), we need to assess the participatory approach, if any, for the project design: who was involved in that process and whether the needs of the target beneficiaries were taken into account in the project design through their participation in the design process.
9. For question (17), please indicate the specific issues/needs or both that prompted the funding, design and implementation of the project. In other words, please give the justifications for the project.
10. A key feature of the evaluation is the degree of innovativeness of the project (question 18). Why do you consider the nominated project innovative and/or pioneering? What are the elements of innovation in the project? Were the goals and objectives logically connected and interdependent? What possible new concepts were introduced that can increase knowledge and experience in the field of human development?
11. The second major feature of the evaluation is the assessment of efficiency and effectiveness of project management (question 19). We assess the project leadership, implementation strategy, communication with beneficiaries, management of financial resources, transparency and accountability and project review process. Please provide detailed opinion on the project management process.
12. The third major feature of the evaluation is the assessment of project impact (questions 20 and 21). We need to assess how the project affected the target beneficiaries and what improvements it contributed to their life. We also assess how the impact, if any, was measured and we seek to know how the services provided by the project would be sustainable. We would appreciate information on the possibility of continued support by partners for sustaining project benefits through possible expansion and the availability of human and financial resources for these purposes.
13. Question (22) seeks your assessment of whether the nominated project could be replicable elsewhere either in the same country or in another country. The purpose is to know how valuable this project would be to other beneficiaries and what would be the conditions that may ensure success in other target group (s).

FILL IN THE NOMINATION

"Nominators shall not nominate their own projects or projects in the implementation of which they have participated"

Please fill in all the required information and further clarification, read the Guidelines.

1. Information about the nominator:

- a. Name of the nominator:
- b. Type of the nominator:
- UN organization or specialized agency, An international, regional or national NGO, A government ministry or public agency
- An academic or research institution, A professional association or syndicate. A qualified expert in the field.
- c. Nominator's Contact details:
- Name of the organization: Occupation:
- Name the qualified expert (if the nominator is an expert): Occupation:
- Organization: B. O. Box:
- City: Country:

2 Information about the nominated project:

- a. Project title:
- b. Name of implementing agency:
- c. Beneficiary country (s):

3 Category for which the project is nominated: (Circle one of the following categories):

- First Category: Projects by UN agencies, international or regional NGOs.
- Second Category: Projects by national NGOs.
- Third Category: Projects by national government agencies
- Fourth Category: Projects by individuals.

4 Briefly state how you became familiar with the nominated project and what specific reasons motivated you to nominate it?

5 Describe how the project is relevant to the Prize subject?

6 For Qualified Experts, briefly describe your Bio Data and experience in the field.

TO BE FILLED BY THE RECOMMENDING AGENCY

The project should be recommended by TWO ENTITIES: each of them shall complete the following form and submit an officially sealed and signed letter of recommendation, stating how they became familiar with the project and what specific reasons motivated them to recommend it.

1. Information about the Recommending entity:

a. Type: Please circle one of the following.

- UN organization, An international, regional or national NGO, A government ministry or public agency
- An academic or research institution, A professional association or syndicate, A qualified expert in the field

Name of the organization: Name the most senior official:

Occupation: Name the qualified expert (if the recommender is an expert):

Occupation: Organization:

b. Address:

B. O. Box: City:

Country: Telephone: (Country & City code)

Fax: Email:

Website:

TO BE FILLED BY THE IMPLEMENTING AGENCY

1. Type of implementing agency. Please circle one of the following:

- UN Organization, International/ regional Organization, National NGO, Government or public agency, Individual

2. Address:

Name of the project: Name of implementing agency or individual:

B. O. Box: Telephone (Country & City code)

Fax: Email:

Website:

3. Name of the head of the implementing agency (the most senior official)

Title: Telephone: (Country code) (City code) No.

Fax: Email:

4. (The following part should be filled in by governmental and public agencies):

The concerned Ministry: Name of the Minister:

Address of the Ministry: Telephone: (Country code) (City code) No.

Fax: Email:

Website:

5. Brief information about the implementing agency (if not a UN organization), indicating its date of inception, country of origin, registration and its objectives:

6. For projects by individuals, please describe the role of the concerned individual in the project foundation and implementation and submit his/ her biographical data:

7. Date of start of project implementation activities:

8. Date of completion of project activities:

9. For ongoing projects, please indicate the date of completion of the first phase of project as well as the date of completion of any other phase (s)

10. Project location:

11. What is the relevance between your project and the Prize subject? Please describe in details.

12. What were the principal objectives of the project?

13. Were the project objectives changed during the implementation process? Please indicate those changes and their reasons.

14. Who were the target beneficiaries of the project?

15. Who was involved in the design of the project?

16. Were the target beneficiaries involved in any way in the project design process? How?

17. What were the specific needs or particular issues that the project aimed to fulfill or resolve?

18. What do you think are the innovative aspects of the project?

19. What do you consider are the elements of efficiency and effectiveness in managing the project?

20. What do you consider as the most significant project impact and how it has affected the life of the target beneficiaries?

21. To what extent the project has achieved its objectives, please provide examples?

22. Do you consider this project replicable in other locations in the same country or anywhere in the world? Please give reasons.

23. Did the project win any prize/s before? Please name the prize/s if any and indicate the date of winning.

24. Please confirm that, in case of winning, you will be represented in the award ceremony by:

- The highest official of your organization ; Yes No
- The concerned Minister for projects by governmental agencies; Yes No
- The founder of the project in the case of individual projects. Yes No
- In case the answer is NO, please indicate the reasons?

25. AGFUND may use, all or some of the nominated project documents for the purposes of its website and publications, do you agree? Yes No

Please note that, as the Prize is handed over, in an annual ceremony, by the President of AGFUND and the President of the hosting country or his representative, we insist that the winning organizations should be represented in the award ceremony by their highest officials to receive the Prize, and by the concerned Minister in the case of governmental projects. Understanding that, in the latter case, the highest official of the implementing agency will also be invited to attend the ceremony.

AGFUND wishes to thank you and highly appreciates your contribution.



AGFUND IN BRIEF

The Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND) is a non-profit development organization, established in 1980 by the initiative of HRH Prince Talal Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud and the support of the leaders of the Arab Gulf States (United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, State of Qatar, Sultanate of Oman and the State of Kuwait) that constitute its membership and contribute to its budget.

The key objective of AGFUND is to support human development efforts, including combating poverty, advancement of education, improvement of health standards, institutional development, training of workers of the civil society organizations and all development efforts targeting the neediest and disadvantaged groups in the developing countries, particularly women and children, without any discrimination as to sex creed or political affiliation.

Since its establishment AGFUND contributed to supporting and financing of 1472 projects in 133 countries in Asia, Africa, Latin America and Eastern Europe. These contributions were provided through AGFUND's cooperation with a number of United Nations, international and regional organizations and Arab NGOs, in addition to a number of governmental bodies and other international and regional institutions. Moreover, within the framework of its efforts to support institutionalization of development work, AGFUND has established a number of Arab and regional specialized institutions, which includes the Arab Council for Childhood and Development (ACCD) in Cairo, Arab Women Centre for Training and Research (CAWTAR) in Tunis, Arab Network of NGOs in Cairo and the Arab Open University (AOU) and banks for the poor in the Arab countries, Africa and Asia.

Out of its belief that highlighting the pioneering development experiences and dissemination of their innovative ideas among practitioners fosters the exchange of knowledge and enhances the development of better methodologies for addressing the complex problems of poverty, social exclusion and socio-economic alienation of vulnerable groups, AGFUND established "AGFUND International Prize for Pioneering Human Development Projects" with the aim of exploring the best practices in the process of human development and rewarding them with the hope that their innovative features will influence the implementation of similar projects in other parts of the developing world. AGFUND Prize carries a financial reward of US\$ 500,000 (five-hundred thousand US

أجفند في سطور

برنامج الخليج العربي للتنمية (أجفند) منظمة تنمية غير ربحية. تأسست عام 1980م بمبادرة من صاحب السمو الملكي الأمير طلال بن عبد العزيز آل سعود وبدعم وتأييد من قادة دول الخليج العربية (الإمارات العربية المتحدة، ملكة البحرين، المملكة العربية السعودية، دولة قطر، سلطنة عمان ودولة الكويت) التي تشكل عضويته وتساهم في ميزانيته.

يهدف أجفند إلى دعم جهود التنمية البشرية متضمنة محاربة الفقر والنهوض بالتعليم، وتحسين المستوى الصحي، ودعم البناء المؤسسي وتدريب العاملين في منظمات المجتمع المدني بالتركيز على الفئات الأكثر احتياجاً في الدول النامية خاصة النساء والأطفال. دون أي تمييز بسبب اللون أو الجنس أو العقيدة أو الانتماء السياسي.

ساهم أجفند منذ إنشائه في دعم وتمويل 1472 مشروعاً في 133 دولة في آسيا وأفريقيا وأمريكا اللاتينية وأوروبا الشرقية. وذلك من خلال تعاونه مع عدد كبير من المنظمات الأهلية والمالية والإقليمية والجمعيات الأهلية العربية. إضافة إلى عدد من الجهات الحكومية والمنظمات والمؤسسات الدولية والإقليمية الأخرى. وفي إطار جهوده لأسسة العمل التنموي، أنشأ أجفند عدداً من المنظمات والمؤسسات العربية والإقليمية المتخصصة. هي المجلس العربي للطفولة والتنمية بالقاهرة، ومركز المرأة العربية للتدريب والبحوث (كوتر) بنونس، الشبكة العربية للمنظمات الأهلية بالقاهرة، الجامعة العربية المفتوحة وبنوك الفقراء في الدول العربية وفي أفريقيا وآسيا.

وانطلاقاً من إيمانه بأن إبراز التجارب التنموية الرائدة ونشر أفكارها الإبداعية بين العاملين في مجال التنمية من شأنه أن يعزز تبادل الخبرات وبدعم وضع منهجيات أفضل للتصدي للتحديات المعقدة للفقر والإقصاء والتهميش الاجتماعي الاقتصادي للفئات الضعيفة. فقد أنشأ أجفند "جائزة أجفند الدولية لمشاريع التنمية البشرية الريادية" بهدف استكشاف أفضل المشاريع التنموية التي تساهم في تحقيق أهدافه ومن ثم تكريمها على أمل أن يكون في جوانبها الإبداعية ما يشجع على تنفيذ مشاريع مماثلة في مناطق أخرى. وجائزة أجفند هي مكافأة مالية سنوية قدرها 500.000 دولار أمريكي (خمس مائة ألف) موزعة على أربعة فروع.

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www.agfund.org

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AGFUND Prize Subject 2015
**Innovative programs to alleviate
unemployment among youth**

A Bridge for Innovation and Excellence

**AGFUND
International
Prize**

US \$ 500,000

31 May 2015
**The Deadline for
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AGFUND INTERNATIONAL PRIZE FOR PIONEERING HUMAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Idea of the Prize:

AGFUND International Prize for Pioneering Human Development Projects was established in 1999 by the Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND), with the aim of inciting and encouraging innovation and creativity in the areas of human development. The idea of the Prize was stemmed from AGFUND's approach to enhance development performance and support key development projects in order to achieve the goal of sustainability and investment in people.

In this sense, AGFUND Prize is considered to be the first initiative of its kind to identify successful development projects, reward them and disseminate their innovative ideas to best contribute to the improvement of development work. It is also an innovative approach and a strategic instrument to exchange successful experiences to strengthen the mechanisms of development cooperation and project funding with special emphasis on the most prominent factors that militate against development and affect the vulnerable groups, particularly women and children in developing countries. These include poverty, social exclusion, socio-economic marginalization, education and health.

Prize objectives:

AGFUND Prize aims to:

1. Support the distinguished efforts aiming at the promotion and development of the concepts and dimensions of human development.
2. Disseminate the successful project experiences
3. Highlight the best practices, which aim to improve the living conditions of the poor and disadvantaged with particular emphasis on women and children.
4. Enhance the exchange of experiences and develop better mechanisms to find solutions to the problems of poverty, marginalization and socioeconomic exclusion of vulnerable groups

Prize categories:

AGFUND Prize is consisted of four categories:

First Category : Projects that are funded, designed and implemented by UN agencies or international and regional NGOs.

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Third Category : Projects that are funded designed and implemented by government ministries and public agencies.

Fourth Category : Projects that are funded designed and implemented by individuals.

Prize awards:

The AGFUND Prize comprises:

- a. Cash amount of US\$ 500,000 (Five hundred thousand dollars) distributed as follows:
 1. First category: US\$ 200,000
 2. Second category: US\$ 150,000
 3. Third category: US\$ 100,000
 4. Fourth category: US\$ 50,000
- b. Certificate of Recognition and trophies given to all winning projects in all categories.

Thematic focus:

Each year, the Prize Committee selects the thematic focus for the Prize, taking into account the diversification and non-

repetitive of themes. The objective is to highlight the innovative experiences and to continuously support the distinguished efforts in various field of development. The Prize themes always focus on the promotion of human knowledge in the field of human development and its proper management.

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Evaluation process:

The nominated projects are evaluated by an International Team of Evaluators selected based on their international experience in development projects evaluation, their thorough knowledge of the theme of the Prize and indeed for their objectivity and fair assessment. The composition of this Team may vary from one year to another, depending on the thematic focus selected for each year.

Eligible nominations of all categories are evaluated in accordance with specific criteria dealing with the elements of creativity in the project, the efficiency and effectiveness of its management as well as the impact of the project. The evaluation shall be conducted based on the information provided in the Nomination Form, all documents sent in support of the nomination and on field visits to the project site if the need arises.

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Periodicity

The Prize shall be handed over to the heads of the winning organizations and the concerned ministers (in case of governments' projects), in an annual ceremony, to which representatives of the local and international development organizations located in the hosting country, development experts and specialists, diplomats, and media representatives are invited.

The Prize Committee:

The Prize is supervised by an international committee of renowned international personalities, who are selected based on their efforts and contributions to human development.

The Prize Committee is chaired by the President of AGFUND, HRH Prince Talal Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud www.princetalal.net and membership of:

- o **Her Majesty the Queen Sofia** (Kingdom of Spain) Executive President of the Queen Sofia Foundation and Honorary President of the Royal Board on Education and Care of Handicapped Persons of Spain. Representing Europe. http://www.fundacionreinasofia.es/EN/reina_y_fundacion/Paginas/default.aspx
- o **Signora Mercedes Menafra de Batlle** (Republic of Uruguay) President of the All for Uruguay Organization. Representing Latin and north Americas. [\[todosporuruguay.org.uy/\]\(http://todosporuruguay.org.uy/\)](http://</div><div data-bbox=)

- o **Dr. Ahmed Mohammed Ali** (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia) President of the Islamic Development Bank Group. Representing the Arab Region. <http://www.isdbcareers.com/careers/isdb/home.aspx>
- o **Professor Muhammad Yunus** (Bangladesh) Founder, Grameen Bank and Chairman Yunus Centre, Noble Peace Prize Laureate. Representing Asia <http://www.muhammadyunus.org/About-Professor-Yunus/>.
- o **Dr. Y. Seyyid Abdulai** (Nigeria) Former Director-General of the OPEC Fund for International Development. Representing Africa.

Former members of the Prize Committee :

- o Baroness Emma Nicholson of Winterbourne MP, England, Member of the British Parliament, Chairman of Founder and Chairman of the AMAR International Charitable Foundation.
- o Dr Federico Mayor, Former Director-General of UNESCO (1999-2004).
- o Ms. Rigoberta Menchú Tum, Human Rights Activist, Guatemala (1999 - 2002)

THE PRIZE IN BRIEF

- An annual prize, established in 1999. Its value was US\$ 300,000 when established.
- In 2009, the Prize Committee increased the Prize value to be US\$ 500,000, marking the beginning of its second decade.
- 49 projects won the Prize since its inception until 2013.
- The value of Prizes awarded to the winners from 1999 to 2013 totaled US\$ 5,380,000.
- 1167 projects from more about 130 developing countries were nominated for the Prize since its start until 2013:
 - o 528 projects from Asia.
 - o 027 projects from Central Asia
 - o 500 projects from Africa.
 - o 066 projects from Latin America.
 - o 015 projects from North America, Central America and Caribbean.
 - o 026 projects from Europe.
 - o 15 regional & global projects.
 - o One from Australia & Oceania
- Since its inception, the Prize put forward a number of development theme in the following areas:
 - o Poverty alleviation.
 - o Health.
 - o Education.
 - o Training.
 - o Childhood development.
 - o Women development.
 - o Water and environment.
 - o Fighting deadly diseases and disability
 - o Fighting negative social problems and phenomena.
 - o Voluntary work.
 - o Development of agriculture.
 - o Development of remote and rural areas through ICT.
 - o Youth Empowerment.
 - o Food Security for the Poor.
 - o Fighting the phenomenon of street children.
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