



## МІНІСТЕРСТВО ОСВІТИ І НАУКИ УКРАЇНИ

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Заклади вищої освіти

Щодо конкурсу «2018 AGFUND  
International Prize»

Шановні колеги!

Інформуємо Вас, що до Міністерства освіти і науки України надійшов лист від Міністерства закордонних справ України щодо умов конкурсу «2018 AGFUND International Prize», оголошеного регіональною організацією «Програма розвитку країн Арабської (Перської) Затоки» з метою відзначення державних та приватних проектів, спрямованих на боротьбу із бідністю, соціальною відчуженістю, соціально-економічною маргіналізацією у всьому світі. Проектна пропозиція повинна висвітлювати інноваційний та творчий підхід, вдосконалювати знання у галузі людського розвитку та їх належному управлінні, сприяти освіті та підтримці здоров'я. Грошовий фонд конкурсу становить 1 млн доларів США.

Заявки подаються шляхом заповнення форми онлайн на сайті <http://agfund.org/> до 30 листопада 2018 року.

Копія листа з детальнішою інформацією про конкурс додається.

Додаток: згадане на 7 арк.

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## **Nominations for AGFUND International Prize begin Now**

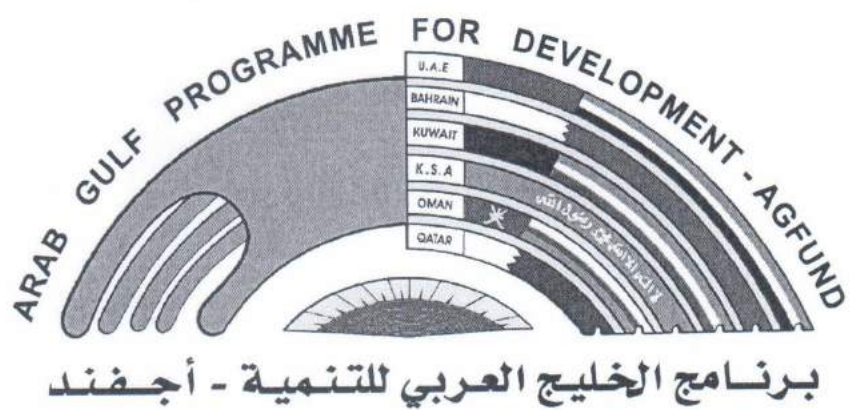
***One Million Dollar from AGFUND Prize to reward "No Poverty" projects***

The Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND) announces the first goal of the SDGs 2030 " End of poverty in all its forms everywhere " as subject for the 2018 AGFUND International Prize 2018 and invites the United Nations, international and regional organizations, ministries and public institutions, social business enterprises, national NGOs, individuals and development actors worldwide to submit nominations for the Prize. AGFUND Prize amounts to US\$1,000,000, divided into four categories; the First category prize (US\$ 400,000), specified for projects implemented by UN agencies or international and regional NGOs, the Second category prize (US\$ 300,000), specified for projects implemented by national NGOs, the Third category prize (US\$ 200,000), specified for projects implemented by governmental bodies (ministries and public institutions) or social business enterprises and the Fourth category prize (US\$ 100,000), specified for projects initiated, funded and/or implemented by individuals.

It is worth mentioning that the projects that best contribute to achieving one or more of the targets of the first Sustainable Development Goal 2030 " End of poverty in all its forms everywhere" shall be eligible to compete for AGFUND Prize 2018 and that the deadline for receiving of nomination is 30 November 2018.

To submit your nomination: <http://agfund.org/media-center/gallery/agfund-prize/agfund-prize/nomination-form/>

For more information, please visit AGFUND website: <http://agfund.org/>



**AGFUND INTERNATIONAL PRIZE  
FOR PIONEERING HUMAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**





#### **Idea of the Prize:**

AGFUND International Prize for Pioneering Human Development Projects is an annual Prize established in 1999 by the Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND), with the aim of inciting and encouraging innovation and creativity in human development. The idea of the Prize is 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 has become a leading mechanism to identify successful human development projects, reward them and disseminate their innovative ideas to best contribute human development, 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. The Prize is now AGFUND's incubator of distinctive projects.

#### **Prize objectives:**

AGFUND Prize aims to:

1. Support the distinguished efforts aiming at the promotion and enhancing the concepts 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 amount and categories:**

AGFUND Prize carries cash amount of US\$ 1,000,000, certificates of recognition and trophies. The prize amount is allocated for the winners of the Prize in its four categories as follows;

1. **First category prize (US\$ 400,000)**, specified for projects implemented by UN agencies or international and regional NGOs.
2. **Second category prize (US\$ 300,000)**, specified for projects implemented national NGOs.
3. **Third category prize (US\$ 200,000)**, specified for projects implemented governmental bodies (ministries and public institutions) or social business enterprises.
4. **Fourth category prize (US\$ 100,000)**, specified for projects initiated, funded and/or implemented by individuals.

#### **Thematic focus:**

Each year, the Prize Committee selects the thematic focus for the Prize, taking into account the diversity and non-repetitive themes. The objective is to highlight the innovative experiences and continuously support the distinguished efforts in various field of development. The Prize themes always focus on increasing the knowledge in the field of human development and its proper management.

In its meeting held in Geneva on 19 April 2017, the Prize Committee decided to align the Prize subjects with the Sustainable Development Goals 2030 as adopted by the International Community

**Nomination conditions:**

1. Nomination of a pioneering and sustainable project for the AGFUND International Prize constitutes a moral engagement between the Nominator and AGFUND.
2. Nomination for AGFUND Prize shall be made by filling out the online Nomination Form on AGFUND website: <http://agfund.org/media-center/gallery/agfund-prize/agfund-prize/nomination-form/>
3. The nomination documents should contain the documents listed in the item number (17) below.
4. Non-winning projects in a given year may not be resubmitted before three years from the date of their first submission.
5. Profit projects shall not qualify for Prize.
6. The nominators may not nominate the projects in the implementation or funding of which they have participated.
7. The nominator shall submit a formal Nomination Letter explaining the reasons which justify the project's nomination.
8. The nominator should be an agency or a qualified expert who is thoroughly aware of the project.
9. Projects dealing with themes or topics other than the specified one(s) shall be disregarded.
10. Only the completed and evaluated projects, or the ongoing projects with a completed and evaluated phase are eligible to compete for the prize.
11. Nominations including all supporting documents shall be submitted in English.
12. For the Third category (assigned for government projects "ministries and public agencies or social business enterprises"), the eligible projects are those which have been conceived, designed, established, funded and implemented through pure national efforts, without participation of any international organizations or foreign governments.
13. All sections of the Nomination Form should be properly filled in by providing the requested information. In case any of the requested information is not available or is irrelevant, it should be clearly indicated as "not available or not applicable".
14. Each winner will be asked to sign a *letter of Intent*, prepared by AGFUND, on how to use the proceeds of the Prize, since the said proceeds are meant to



finance the efforts aimed to supporting the expansion, sustainability and/or replication of the project.

15. The winning organizations shall confirm their commitment to post, on their websites, news and information about their projects' winning of the Prize.
16. The winning organizations shall confirm their participation in the award ceremony by their highest officials to receive the Prize:
  - The **chairperson** of the organization in the case of international organizations, social business enterprises and NGOs.
  - The concerned **minister** or the head of the concerned public agency in the case of government projects.
  - The **founder** of the project in the case of individual projects.
17. The **Required Documents** as listed below should be submitted with nomination form:
  - Nomination Letter.
  - Recommendation letter (s).
  - Project document in full, with annexes if any (including, work plan, implementation schedule, budget and financial information etc...)
  - Projects budget and financial statements if not contained in the Project document.
  - project completion reports.
  - project Evaluation report.
  - For ongoing projects completion and evaluation reports of phase one or any other phases.
  - Latest Annual report of the implementing agency (if available).
  - CV of the implementing person (in case of individual projects).
  - Any documents that highlight the activities of the project (photograph, videos, printed materials).

*Before starting to fill out the Nomination Form, please make sure that you have the **Required Documents** ready for uploading. Otherwise the project may not be evaluated. However, if these are too large to be uploaded with the form, they could be sent by e-mail: [rewards@agfund.org](mailto:rewards@agfund.org)*

#### **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 each year, 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.



### **Periodicity**

The Prize shall be handed over to the heads of the winning organizations and the concerned ministers (in case of governmental 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 development leaders, 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](http://www.princetalal.net) and membership of:

- **Her Majesty the Queen Sofía** (Kingdom of Spain) Executive President of the Queen Sofía 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](http://www.fundacionreinasofia.es/EN/reina_y_fundacion/Paginas/default.aspx)
- **Signora Mercedes Menafra de Batlle** (Republic of Uruguay) President of Honor, HECHO ACA - Todos Por Uruguay, Representing Latin and North Americas.  
<http://todosporuruguay.org.uy/>
- **Dr. Ahmed Mohammed Ali** (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia) former President of the Islamic Development Bank Group. Representing the Arab Region.
- **Professor Muhammad Yunus** (Bangladesh) Noble Peace Prize Laureate, Founder of Grameen Bank and Chairman of Yunus Centre for Social Business, Representing Asia  
<http://www.muhammadyunus.org/About-Professor-Yunus/>.
- **Dr. Y. Seyyid Abdulai** (Nigeria) Former Director-General of the OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID). Representing Africa.
- **Former members of the Prize Committee:**
  - **Baroness Emma Nicholson of Winterbourne MP, England**, Member of the British Parliament, Chairman of Founder and Chairman of the AMAR International Charitable Foundation.
  - **Dr. Federico Mayor**, Former Director-General of UNESCO (1999-2004).
  - **Ms. Rigoberta Menchú Tum**, Human Rights Activist, Guatemala (1999 – 2002)

### **PRIZE IN BRIEF**

- An annual prize, carries a financial reward of US\$ 1,000,000, established in 1999 with the aim of identifying the projects that best contribute to sustainable development in the least developed countries, reward them and disseminate their innovative ideas.
- AGFUND Prize laureates since its inception until 2017 totaled **63** projects.
- The value of Prizes awarded to the winners from 1999 to 2016 totaled **US\$ 7,630,000.00**
- The number of the projects nominated for the Prize since its inception until 2017 totaled **1448** projects:
  - **690** projects from **Asia**.
  - **608** projects from **Africa**.
  - **073** projects from **Latin America**.
  - **016** projects from **North & Central America**.
  - **034** projects from **Europe**.
  - **002** projects from **Oceania**
  - **016** **global** projects.
  - **009** **regional** projects

- Since its inception, the Prize put forward several development themes in the following areas:
  - Poverty alleviation.
  - Health.
  - Education.
  - Training.
  - Childhood development.
  - Women development.
  - Water and environment.
  - Fighting deadly diseases and disability
  - Fighting negative social problems and phenomena.
  - Voluntary work.
  - Development of agriculture.
  - Development of remote and rural areas through ICT.
  - Youth Empowerment.
  - Food Security for the Poor.
  - Fighting the phenomenon of street children.
  - Marketing of homemade products.
  - Alleviating unemployment among youth
  - Empowerment and Social Integration of Refugees and Internally Displaced people.
  - Ensure inclusive and quality education for all and promote lifelong learning.
  - End of poverty in all its forms everywhere.

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