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In 2008, the UNESCO-Hamdan Prize was created to support the enhancement of teaching and learning quality in achieving the Education for All goals, which is one of UNESCO's priorities.

The Prize is awarded every two years to three winners whose projects aim at improving the performance and effectiveness of teachers worldwide.

The Prize, generously supported by H.E. Sheikh Hamdan Bin Rashid Al-Maktoum of the United Arab Emirates, amounts to \$270 000, which is equally divided between the three winners.

## Who is eligible?

Candidates may be organizations, international or national non-governmental organizations (NGOs), institutions or local, national and regional communities applying for the Prize.

✎ Applications are not opened to individuals.

## How to apply?

Applications may be submitted in two ways:

- A candidate shall ask a nominating body to send its application to UNESCO;
- A nominating body may initiate the process of nominating a candidate and send the application to UNESCO.

✎ A candidate shall be nominated by no more than one nominating body. Applications must be written either in English or French only. Unsolicited applications are not taken into consideration.

## What is a nominating body?

A nominating body may be Multinationals and Bilateral Organizations, Ministries of Education (or other relevant Ministries), non-governmental organizations (NGOs), organizations or institutions directly involved in, or aware of, outstanding practices concerning teachers. It is the nominating body who sends the applications to UNESCO.

✎ A nominating body may nominate and recommend up to five candidates for the Prize.

## Selection process

1. Applications received before the deadline are reviewed by the Screening panel, who will eliminate non-eligible candidates and transmit them to the International Jury for the Prize.
2. The International Jury meets in Dubai (United Arab Emirates) to select the Prize winners.
3. Prizes are awarded to winners during an official ceremony organized at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris on the occasion of World Teachers' Day (October 2014).

## Application

The application must contain:

1. The introductory letter from the nominating body;
2. The letter of nomination written by the candidate (using the downloadable form at the following address: <http://www.unesco.org/new/fileadmin/MULTIMEDIA/HQ/ED/pdf/Form-lletter-nomination-teachersprizes.doc>);
3. Accompanying supporting materials.

The Prize Guidelines and the template for the letter of nomination can be downloaded from UNESCO's website: <http://www.unesco.org/new/hamdan-prize>.

Applications should be postmarked or sent by email to the Secretariat of the Prize **by 31 October 2013** (midnight, Paris time).

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