# The Fourth Hideyo Noguchi Africa Prize Nominations

### SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG) focus area(s)



### **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

## 20<sup>th</sup> August 2021

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Hideyo Noguchi Africa Prize was established by the Government of Japan in 2006 in honor of a Japanese microbiologist Dr Hideyo Noguchi (1876-1928) who fell victim to yellow fever in Africa during his research of the disease. It aims to honor individuals with outstanding achievements in the fields of medical research and medical services to combat infectious and other diseases in Africa, thus contributing to the health and welfare of Africans and all humankind. As the challenges caused by Covid-19 is test for humanity and reaffirms special importance of the Fourth Noguchi Hideyo Africa Prize, nominations are invited. The Prize consists of two categories: Medical Research which honors individual(s) and Medical Services which honors individual(s) and organization(s). The award ceremony will be held to coincide with the Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD).

The Prize consists of a citation, a medal and 100 million yen (equivalent to about one million US dollars).

### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

No distinction will be made based on the nationality, age or gender of the nominees. Nominee eligibility for the two categories are as follows:

## **Medical Research**

• Nominations are in principle to be for one individual. In the case of joint research, however, a maximum of three individuals will be considered.

## **Medical Services**

- In the case of nominating an organization, nominations are limited to one currently active organization.
- Nominations are in principle to be one individual or one organization per activity. Under exceptional circumstances, however, when more than one individual or organization work as a team, a maximum of three individuals or organizations will be considered.

Please refer to the submission guidelines document (attached) for selection criteria.

# **IMPORTANT NOTIFICATIONS:**

• Please note that the evaluation of the nominee's contributions will depend heavily on the quality of information supplied in your nomination form and supplementary documents. Therefore, **your nomination should be accurate, detailed and current**.

- **Distinguished past nominees** who were not awarded the Prize may be eligible for selection for this year's Prize. It is recommended that you nominate such persons again if they are thought to have produced further contributions in the course of their work since their previous nomination.
- Please prepare all documents in English for Medical Research and either in English or in French for Medical Services.
- An individual may not nominate himself or herself.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

Please complete the attached **HIDEYO NOGUCHI AFRICA PRIZE NOMINATION FORM** with the necessary information and submit it with the supplementary documents listed below:

- Please provide a **brief description of the nominee's contributions** in the area of medical research or medical services within the context of the Prize's concept (about 50 words).
- Please present a brief biography including academic, administrative and/or research positions, awards and/or recognitions.
- Please outline how and why the research/activity of the nominee has contributed to the advancement and improvement of measures against infectious and other diseases prevalent in Africa, if any (within 2 pages).
- Please provide the **titles of publications** that represent the nominee's contributions. Please mark 4-5 of best publications among them if there are many.
- Please arrange for other specialists familiar with the nominee's work to provide **supporting letters** (up to 5 letters).

### **SUBMISSION ADDRESSES**

#### Medical research nominations

Please use the <u>JSPS electronic application system</u>. If not possible, please put your nomination in MS WORD or PDF format and email it to <u>nh-africa@jsps.go.jp</u>.

### **Medical services nominations**

Please use the <u>HNAP Medical Services electronic application system</u>. If not possible, please put your nomination in MS WORD or PDF format and email it to both of the following addresses: <u>noguchiprize@who.int</u> and <u>secretariat@hnaprize.jp</u>. Please note that emailing to only one of the addresses above may result in your application not being processed.

If necessary, nominations may be submitted by postal mail. **Please do not fax your nominations**. Please refer to the submission guidelines document (attached) for postal mail addresses and the <u>link</u> for more information.

Please send a complete copy with all supporting documents, that you have submitted online to the Faculty Research Office – <a href="mailto:natasha.jeftha@up.ac.za">natasha.jeftha@up.ac.za</a>

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**20**<sup>th</sup> August **2021** 

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**Medical services nominations:** WHO Regional Office for Africa (AFRO), Cité du Djoué, P.O. Box 06 Brazzaville, Republic of Congo, noguchiprize@who.int