

LAUNCHED THE INNOVATION PRIZE FOR AFRICA 2014 BY THE AFRICAN INNOVATION FOUNDATION

The African Innovation Foundation (AIF) has announced the call for nominations for the third edition of the Innovation [Prize for Africa in 2014](#). This award, initiated in 2012, is a joint initiative of the [Economic Commission for Africa \(ECA\)](#) and the African Innovation Foundation (AIF). The deadline for entries is 31 October 2013.

The Prize aims to encourage innovations that contribute to sustainable development in Africa and invites African entrepreneurs and innovators to promote projects that open new African potential in one of the following five categories: agriculture and agro-industry, environment, energy and water, health and wellness, computer applications, secondary and tertiary sectors.

The winners will receive a prize of \$ 100,000, and two other prizes will be awarded to \$ 25,000 to one innovation with the greatest commercial potential, the other innovation with the greatest social impact. Winning candidates, after the contest will also receive a follow-up of the Foundation through grants available to them.

The information on this new edition of the award has been widely and in different countries in Africa and the respective national authorities have announced the initiative. [The prizes delivered](#) in 2013 through a selection of more than 900 proposals from 45 countries, show the impact of the award and the level of quality of innovations.

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