

# AGFUND INTERNATIONAL PRIZE 2015

## ALLEVIATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG YOUTH



In March 2015 the [Arab Gulf Programme for Development \(AGFUND\)](#) announced the start of nomination period for AGFUND International Prize for Pioneering Human Development Projects. The theme is *Alleviation of unemployment among youth*.

AGFUND invited the UN, international and regional organizations, ministries and public institutions, NGOs, universities and research centers around the world to submit their nominations for the Prize, which worth US\$ 500,000 for the four categories of the Prize. The deadline for receiving nominations is May 31, 2015.

The AGFUND Prize aims to select distinguished development experiences in the field of youth empowerment through creation of income resources, improvement of their livelihoods and participation in development of their communities. In particular, the Prize covers the four categories as follows:

- First Category: 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: Innovative projects to alleviate unemployment among youth (For projects implemented by national NGOs)
- Third Category: 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: Individual-led initiatives for local community development through innovative projects for youth employment (For projects initiated, sponsored and/or implemented by individuals).

The nominations are evaluated with complete fairness and clarity by experts chosen every year according to their specializations and experience in to the Prize subject. The Prize Committee is composed of a number of prominent international figures who represent the geographic regions of the world. The Committee holds an annual meeting in which it discusses the evaluation results and selects the winning projects. The Prize is handed over in an annual ceremony attended by the



representatives of the local and international organizations, development experts, diplomats and media representatives.

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 human development. The idea behind this Prize stemmed from AGFUND's approach to support development activities that endeavour to achieve sustainable investment in people. AGFUND Prize offers a very important opportunity for human development actors as it seeks to identify successful projects, reward them and disseminate their innovative ideas. In the AGFUND website information is available on the [Winners of the International Prize 2014](#) in the field of *Marketing of home-made products*.

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