

LAUNCHED THE 2020 EDITION OF THE AFRICA FOOD PRIZE

The 2020 edition of the [Africa Food Prize for Innovation in African Agriculture](#) has been launched, to recognize outstanding individuals or institutions that are leading the effort to change the reality of farming in Africa. The deadline for nominations for the Africa Food Prize 2020 is Monday, 1 June 2020.

The Prize celebrates Africans who are taking control of Africa's agriculture agenda. It puts a spotlight on bold initiatives and technical innovations that can be replicated across the continent to create a new era of food security and economic opportunity for all Africans.

The Africa Food Prize can be awarded to individual or group of individuals, as well as to established institutions, associations, organizations or government bodies contributing to the overall objectives of the Prize.

The Prize considers the following criteria:

- Contribution to reducing poverty and hunger and/or improving food and nutrition security in measurable terms;
- Contribution to providing a vital source of income and/or employment in measurable terms;
- Potential for transformative change through scalability, replication, and sustainability;
- Increased awareness and cooperation among African audiences and organizations;
- Proven leadership potential of the individual or organization, specifically the ability to persevere despite significant challenges or risks.

The Prize can be awarded to one or two winners. Each winner will receive the prize in money (USD 100,000), a diploma and a trophy. The winner will be also unveiled at a high-profile event at the [African Green Revolution Forum \(AGRF\)](#) that will be held between September 8-11, 2020 in Kigali, Rwanda.

The Africa Food Prize began as the Yara Prize, and was established in 2005 by Yara International ASA in Norway to honor achievements in African agriculture. Moving the Yara Prize to Africa in 2016 and renaming it the Africa Food Prize gave the award a distinctive African home, African identity and African ownership. Since 2005, the Africa Food Prize and the Yara Prize have recognized innovative practices from Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Tanzania, Uganda and Zimbabwe.



Seize this opportunity to recognize and celebrate an outstanding individual or institution that is leading the effort to change the reality of farming in Africa from a struggle to survive to a business that thrives and deserves this preeminent award.



[The winners of the Prize](#) have included entrepreneurs, scientists, community organizers and activists, business leaders, and policy makers, all contributing in diverse and effective ways to a green revolution in Africa that bolsters the continent's agricultural development and food security. [The winners of the 2019 edition](#) of the Africa Food Prize Dr. Emma Naluyima, a smallholder farmer and private veterinarian from Uganda, and Baba Dioum, a policy champion and agricultural entrepreneur from Senegal were recognized for their remarkable achievements in demonstrating and promoting innovative and sustainable growth in Africa's agriculture through improved resource use and market links.

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