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VÀ PHÁT TRIỂN NÔNG THÔN**

**CỘNG HÒA XÃ HỘI CHỦ NGHĨA VIỆT NAM
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VIỆN KHOA HỌC VÀ CÔNG NGHỆ
Giải thưởng Khoa học ASEAN-US dành cho phụ nữ.

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Số 505
Ngày 29/5/2014

Kính gửi: Các đơn vị nghiên cứu triển khai

HỎA TỐC
ĐẾN TRƯỚC GIỜ NGÀY

Căn cứ Công văn số 1744/BKHCN –HTQT ngày 16/5/2014 của Bộ Khoa học và Công nghệ về việc đề cử ứng viên tham gia giải thưởng Khoa học ASEAN –US dành cho phụ nữ năm 2014, trong khuôn khổ hợp tác của ASEAN và Hoa Kỳ với tổ chức Underwriters Laboratories (UL), với:

Mục tiêu: Nhằm hỗ trợ những nhà khoa học trẻ nữ có tiềm năng đang nghiên cứu khoa học trong khu vực ASEAN và khuyến khích hợp tác trong ASEAN, giữa ASEAN và Hoa Kỳ trong lĩnh vực nghiên cứu chất lượng nguồn nước, đặc biệt là nguồn nước uống sạch và an toàn trong khu vực ASEAN,

Tiêu chuẩn ứng viên:

- Là công dân của các nước thành viên ASEAN, tuổi dưới 40, có bằng tiến sỹ.
- Là các nhà khoa học trẻ tài năng, có những công trình nghiên cứu khoa học công nghệ hoặc bằng sáng chế tiêu biểu, đã có hợp tác với các nhà khoa học của các nước thành viên ASEAN hoặc các nước đối tác đối thoại khác trong lĩnh vực: Nghiên cứu chất lượng nguồn nước uống và ứng dụng thực tiễn của nghiên cứu này cho khu vực ASEAN,

Bộ Nông nghiệp và Phát triển nông thôn đề nghị các đơn vị nghiên cứu, đề xuất các ứng viên phù hợp tham gia Giải thưởng Khoa học ASEAN-US dành cho phụ nữ năm 2014. Công văn trả lời và hồ sơ ứng viên (mẫu hồ sơ kèm theo công văn này) gửi về Bộ Nông nghiệp và Phát triển nông thôn (Vụ Khoa học, Công nghệ và Môi trường) trước ngày 26/5/2014 để kịp tiến hành các thủ tục cần thiết tiếp theo.

Đề nghị các đơn vị khẩn trương thực hiện./.

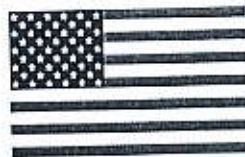
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PHÓ VỤ TRƯỞNG**



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ASEAN – U.S. Science Prize for Women NOMINATION AND SELECTION INFORMATION

OVERVIEW

ASEAN and the United States in partnership with UL (Underwriters Laboratories) aim to strengthen ASEAN science and technical capacity through an ASEAN-U.S. Science Prize for Women ("Prize"). The 2014 Prize will provide a promising, ASEAN-based, early-career woman scientist whose research focuses on water quality research with a USD 25,000 award and separate provision of travel/lodging to attend an award ceremony on August 25 at the 2014 ASEAN Science and Technology Week in Bogor, Indonesia.

The Prize aims to:

- Support promising, early-career women scientists pursuing scientific careers in the ASEAN region; and
- Encourage intra-ASEAN and ASEAN-U.S. collaboration on water quality research, with a special interest in clean and safe drinking water in the ASEAN region.

The Prize supports ASEAN COST's efforts to:

- Advance ASEAN regional capacity in science, technology, and innovation, particularly in water management;
- Promote active collaboration and mutual assistance on matters of common interest, including in the technical and scientific fields.

ELIGIBILITY

Any female citizen and resident of an ASEAN member state is eligible to be nominated for the ASEAN-U.S. Science Prize for Women. She must have a Ph.D. degree and be in the "early" stage of her career under 40 years of age at the time of application.

NOMINATION PROCESS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Each ASEAN member state, through its ASEAN COST National Chair, may nominate up to two of its citizens to be considered for the ASEAN-U.S. Science Prize for Women.

Successful nominees should demonstrate (award criteria):

- excellence in scientific research, as evidenced by scholarly publication and/or patents;
- an interest in scientific collaboration with scientists from other ASEAN states and/or Dialogue Partner countries;
- contribution to the theme of drinking water quality research and field applicability of the research for the ASEAN region; and
- scientific creativity through innovative investigations, demonstrating real-world applicability to addressing problems in the region.

SELECTION PROCESS

The ASEAN Secretariat will appoint three expert-level water scientists, or scientists from a related field, to join a peer review panel. The United States and UL will each appoint one expert-level water scientist to join this peer review panel. Each of the five members of the panel will complete a form analyzing the strengths and weaknesses of each nomination forwarded by the ASEAN COST National Chairs, and will rank all nominees. The panel will convene either via digital video conference or teleconference to come to consensus on a Prize winner. The panel will submit the Prize winner's name to the ASEAN Secretariat's Science and Technology Division Head Dr. Alexander Lim to inform ASEAN COST representatives.

ASEAN COST and ASEAN SECRETARIAT ROLES

The ASEAN Secretariat and Indonesian hosts of the 2014 ASEAN Science and Technology Week are requested to share this document with ASEAN COST National Chairs at the time of announcement of the ASEAN-U.S. Science Prize opportunity. ASEAN COST National Chairs will select up to two nominees for their country based on the award selection criteria and will forward the nominees to the ASEAN Secretariat Science and Technology Division Head Dr. Alexander Lim. The ASEAN Secretariat will appoint three expert-level water scientists, or scientists from a related field, to join a peer review panel of five panelists. After the panel, the ASEAN Secretariat will inform ASEAN COST representatives of the name of the Prize winner. The Prize winner will be formally announced at the August 25, 2014 ASEAN Science and Technology Week award ceremony in Bogor, Indonesia.

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ENCLOSURES

Within this document you will find:

- Selection Process and Timeline
- Sample Applicant Review Form

NOTE: Each ASEAN member country may use this sample to select up to two nominations from its country.

- Prize Announcement and Application Package (including Sample Announcement Letter to Potential Candidates and Application/Nomination Form)

NOTE: Each ASEAN member country should use this package to nominate up to two 2014 ASEAN-U.S. PRIZE nominees by May 30, 2014. Each ASEAN COST National Chair will forward its two nominees via completed Prize Announcement and Application Packages to the ASEAN Secretariat's Science and Technology Division Head, Dr. Alexander Lim. The ASEAN Secretariat will share the submitted nominations with Peer Review Panel members for review and selection.

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2014 SELECTION PROCESS & TIMELINE

<u>ACTION</u>	<u>DATE</u>
<p>Each ASEAN member country through the ASEAN COST National Chairs is requested to share the Prize Announcement and Application Package broadly in their countries, including to the top educational and research institutions. ASEAN COST National Chairs will select up to two nominees based on the award selection criteria and will forward the nominees to the ASEAN Secretariat Science and Technology Division Head Dr. Alexander Lim at alex@asean.org</p> <p><u>Suggested country nomination process:</u></p> <p>March 1: The ASEAN COST National Chairs sends the <i>Prize Announcement and Application Package</i> to research institutes, universities and other scientific networks in their countries requesting them to publicize/promote the Prize call-for-nominations.</p> <p><u>Included:</u> Prize Announcement and Application Package (including Sample Announcement Letter to Potential Candidates and Application/Nomination Form)</p> <p>April 1: The ASEAN COST National Chair establishes an internal peer review panel of experts to be ready to assess the applications after April 30 submission date.</p>	<p>March 1– April 30, 2014</p>
<p>May 1-30: Each of the ASEAN COST National Chairs' internal peer review panels reviews and assesses each candidate application package based on the Prize award selection criteria and selects up to two nominees.</p> <p><u>Included:</u> Sample Applicant Review Form</p>	<p>May 1-May 30, 2014</p>
<p>May 30: Each ASEAN COST National Chair submits its <u>two</u> nominees using the completed Prize Announcement and Application Packages. Submissions are made via e-mail to ASEAN Secretariat at alex@asean.org</p> <p><u>Included:</u> Prize Announcement and Application Package</p>	<p><u>Deadline:</u> May 30, 2014</p>

The ASEAN Secretariat appoints three expert-level water scientists, or scientists from a related field, to join a peer review panel. The United States and UL each appoint one expert-level water scientist, or scientist from a related field, to join this peer review panel.	<u>By:</u> May 30, 2014
Peer Review Panel convenes (by telephone or digital video conference) to discuss nominations and reach consensus on Prize winner. Panel informs ASEAN Secretariat of Prize winner.	<u>By:</u> June 15, 2014
The ASEAN Secretariat notifies the 2014 Prize winner and ASEAN COST National Chairs.	<u>By:</u> July 1, 2014
The winner of the 2014 Prize is recognized at an award ceremony during ASEAN Science and Technology Week in Bogor, Indonesia. Winner will deliver acceptance speech explaining significance of his/her work and how it benefits ASEAN communities.	<u>Date:</u> August 25, 2014

Sample Applicant Review Form (For internal ASEAN COST Chair use for nominations)**ASEAN-U.S. Science Prize for Women:**
Applicant Review Form

Applicant: _____

Nominating Institution: _____ Total Score: _____

- ☐ Candidate meets all eligibility requirements (female citizen of ASEAN member state currently residing within an ASEAN member state; Ph.D. degree; early stage of her career under 40 years of age at time of application)

Criteria 1: Excellence in scientific research as evidenced by scholarly publication and/or patents

1 ○	2 ○	3 ○	4 ○	5 ○	6 ○	7 ○	8 ○	9 ○	10 ○
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Comments:

Criteria 2: An interest in scientific collaboration with scientists from other ASEAN states and/or Dialogue Partner countries

1 ○	2 ○	3 ○	4 ○	5 ○	6 ○	7 ○	8 ○	9 ○	10 ○
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Comments:

Criteria 3: Contribution to the theme of drinking water quality research and field applicability for the ASEAN region

1 ○	2 ○	3 ○	4 ○	5 ○	6 ○	7 ○	8 ○	9 ○	10 ○
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Comments:

Criteria 4: Scientific creativity through demonstrated, innovative investigations, showing real-world applicability to addressing problems in the region

1 ○	2 ○	3 ○	4 ○	5 ○	6 ○	7 ○	8 ○	9 ○	10 ○
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Comments:



ASEAN-U.S. Science Prize for Women

PRIZE ANNOUNCEMENT and APPLICATION PACKAGE

ASEAN MEMBER COUNTRY: [INSERT]

DUE DATE: [INSERT LOCAL DUE DATE]

Sample Announcement Letter to Potential Candidates

[INSERT DATE]

[INSERT RECIPIENT'S CONTACT DETAILS]

Dear [NAME]:

It is with great enthusiasm that we announce that ASEAN and the United States, in partnership with UL (Underwriters Laboratories), are seeking candidates to represent [INSERT ASEAN MEMBER STATE] for the 2014 ASEAN-U.S. Science Prize for Women ("Prize"). The 2014 Prize supports water quality research aimed at improving the availability of clean and safe drinking water in the ASEAN region and encourages intra-ASEAN and ASEAN-U.S. collaboration on water quality research.

[INSERT ASEAN MEMBER STATE] may nominate up to two early career female scientists from [INSERT ASEAN MEMBER STATE] to be considered for the ASEAN-U.S. Science Prize for Women. These finalists will then be considered by a peer review panel for selection as the 2014 Prize winner, with prize money in the amount of \$25,000 USD. We encourage your institution to use the enclosed "APPLICATION/NOMINATION FORM" to send to us for consideration up to two distinguished young scientists by [DATE].

We thank you for your institution's contributions to the ASEAN region's scientific community and look forward to reviewing your nominees.

Best regards,

ASEAN – U.S. Science Prize for Women



APPLICATION/NOMINATION FORM (Page 1 of 5)

[INSERT LOCAL CONTACT NAME AND E-MAIL FOR YOUR COUNTRY'S POINT-OF-CONTACT]

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete the fields below. The Nomination/Personal Statement should consist of no more than 500 words describing how the nominee has demonstrated excellence in scientific research, as evidenced through scholarly publication and/or patents; an interest in scientific collaboration with scientists from other ASEAN states and/or Dialogue Partner countries; contribution to the theme of drinking water quality research and field applicability for the ASEAN region; and scientific creativity through innovative investigations, demonstrating real-world applicability to addressing problems in the region.

Please list the scientist's publications in the appropriate field (publication titles should be translated into English). A Curriculum Vitae and at least one letter of recommendation and no more than two letters of recommendation total should also be attached for consideration. One of the letters of recommendation should be submitted by the applicant/scientist's employer/supervisor. The letters of recommendation may not be written by an ASEAN delegate, and should be submitted electronically along with this Application/Nomination Form. All submissions should be made in English language.

In addition, the applicant may choose to submit supplementary, short (less than 5 minutes) video describing his/her scientific work, its significance to ASEAN, and how it has benefited ASEAN communities. The video is not required. The video of the Prize winner may be shown at the ASEAN S&T Week Gala Dinner when the Prize winner announcement is made.

The deadline is: [INSERT LOCAL DEADLINE]

Nomination/Personal Statement of Applicant (no more than 500 words)

[If more space is needed, please attach additional page]

APPLICATION/NOMINATION FORM (Page 2 of 5): Sample Format for Recommendation Letter

Name of Recommender:

Title/Position:

Email and Phone Contact Information:

Organization:

Date:

Recommendation for: [Applicant/Nominee Name]

To Whom It May Concern:

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Nominee Information	
Member State:	
Last Name:	First Name:
Date of Birth (day/month/year):	
Address:	
Telephone:	Email:
Title:	
Institution/Affiliation:	
Field of Research:	
Date Ph.D. Awarded:	
<p>List of Scholarly Publications (Please list below in English):</p> <p><i>Please denote which scholarly publications include co-authors from ASEAN member states and Dialogue Partner countries.</i></p> <p><i>[INSERT PUBLICATIONS HERE – if more space is needed, please attach additional page]</i></p>	
<p>Other Awards, Achievements, Patents, etc. (Please list below in English):</p> <p><i>Please denote which, if applicable, have a connection to other ASEAN member states and Dialogue Partner countries.</i></p> <p><i>[INSERT AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS HERE – if more space is needed, please attach additional page]</i></p>	

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**** To Be Completed by Applicant's Supervisor/Employer ****

Supervisor/Employer Name:	
Country:	
Last Name:	First Name:
Telephone:	Email:
Relation to Candidate (if any):	
Title:	
Institution/Affiliation:	
Supervisor/Employer Signature:	

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**** To Be Completed by ASEAN National COST Chair****

National COST Chair (POC):	
Country:	
Last Name:	First Name:
Telephone:	Email:
Relation to Candidate (if any):	
Title:	
Institution/Affiliation:	
ASEAN COST POC Signature:	

Please remember to include a copy of the candidate's Curriculum Vitae, and at least one letter of recommendation (from the applicant's supervisor/employer) and no more than two letters of recommendation total. The letters of recommendation may not be written by the ASEAN COST delegate, and should be submitted electronically along with this Application/Nomination Form.