

19th

United Nations Sasakawa Award for Disaster Reduction

Selection Process 2007

Join us in rewarding individuals and institutions from around the world who contributed, through innovative practices and outstanding initiatives, to reducing the risk and vulnerabilities of communities to natural hazards

*Closing date for
nominations
29 June 2007*

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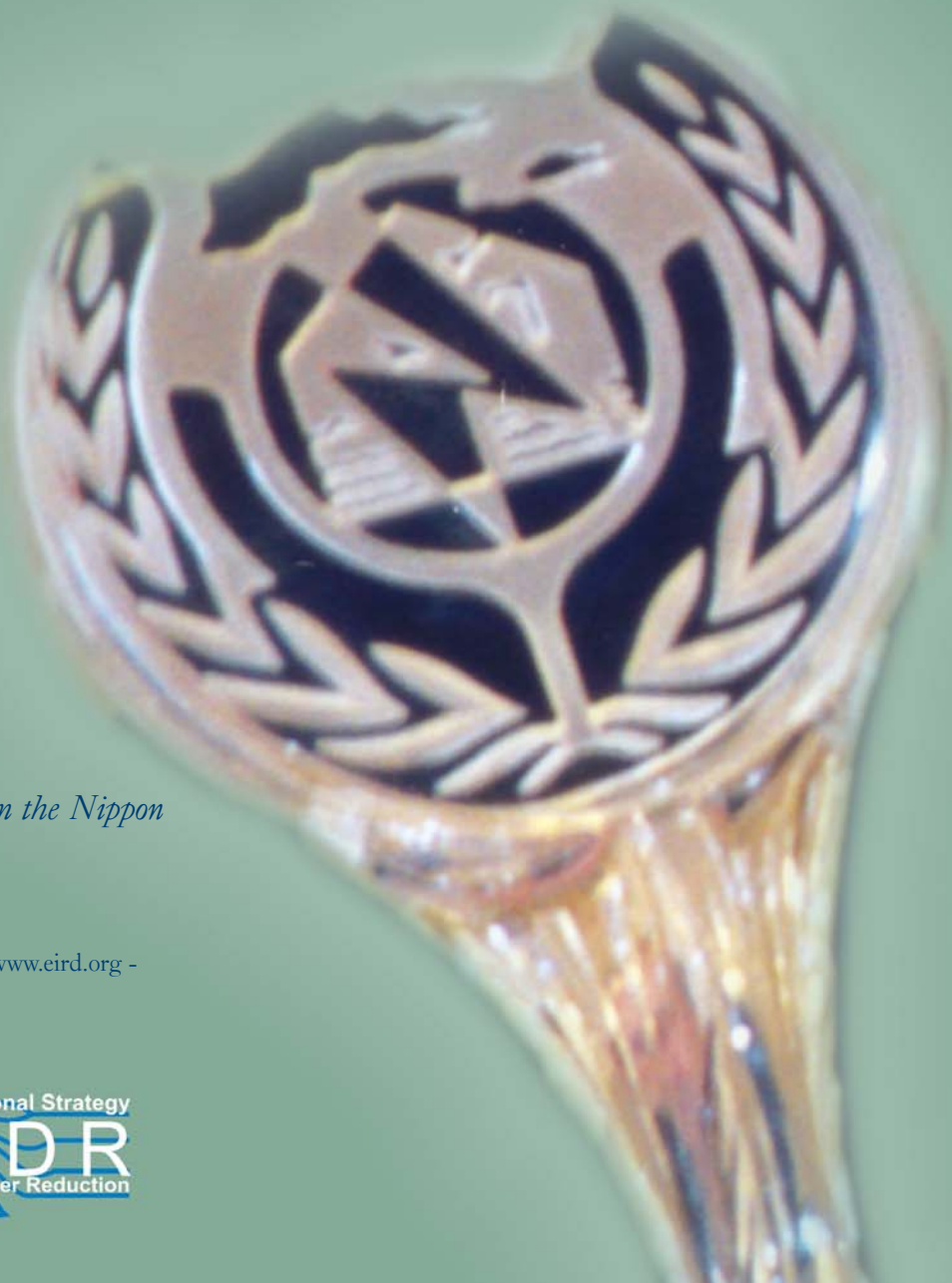
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The United Nations Sasakawa Award for Disaster Reduction is worth approximately US \$50,000 to be shared among the Sasakawa Laureate and recipients of the Certificates of Distinction and Merit. It is presented annually on the occasion of the International Day for Disaster Reduction, every second Wednesday of October. The next Sasakawa Award Ceremony will be held on *Wednesday 10 October 2007*.

Eligibility for the Award

The candidate can be an individual or an institution. He/she/it shall have distinguished herself/himself/itself through outstanding and internationally recognized action in the following fields:

- a) The implementation, at international or regional level, of activities designed to strengthen people's awareness of disasters triggered by natural hazards;
- b) The launching of scientific activities contributing to technological innovation facilitating disaster prediction;
- c) The launching of scientific or social activities contributing to the strengthening of disaster risk reduction;
- d) The promotion of activities which reduce the economic impact of disasters and contribute to sustainable development;
- e) Any other activities recognized as essential in promoting disaster risk reduction (early warning, environmental management, land-use planning, promotion of building codes, awareness-raising, education etc.)

Nomination of Candidates for the Award

Nominations shall be made to the Administrator of the Award, who will submit them to the Jury, together with his/her comments. The Administrator may seek independent reports on the work carried out by candidates for the Award, which shall be submitted, when appropriate, by the Administrator for the consideration of the Jury. ***No candidate may nominate herself/himself.***

Selection of the Laureate(s) and recipients of Certificates

An international Jury composed of experts from different continents will vote in a private meeting on the basis of well-defined criteria, to identify and select the Laureate of the UN Sasakawa Award for Disaster Reduction. Since 1998, Certificates of Distinction and of Merit have been awarded to those who make valuable contributions in the field of disaster risk reduction. The Jury may however decide not to designate any laureate, if it so wishes. The current Jury is composed by representatives from each of the following regions: Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe and Oceania.

Candidates can be nominated by:

1. Former Sasakawa Award Laureates;
2. Representatives of institutions specializing in disaster reduction;
3. UN specialized agencies;
4. Resident Coordinators of the UN System; and
5. Permanent Missions to the UN Office in Geneva.

Nomination Forms

Nominated candidates should complete the attached nomination form for the 19th UN Sasakawa Award for Disaster Reduction 2007, and forward it ***by 29 June 2007*** together with the requested detailed information in support of the nomination to the ISDR Secretariat. Candidates are requested to provide a Power Point presentation in English with details of their work and contribution to reducing risk and vulnerability to natural and technological hazards.

All nomination forms and letters should be sent to:

**Inter-Agency Secretariat of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN/ISDR)
Administrator of the UN Sasakawa Award for Disaster Reduction
Palais des Nations, 8-14 Avenue de la Paix, CH-1211 Geneva 10
Tel: +41 22 917 2786 / Fax: 41 22 917 0563 / E-mail: isdr-sasakawa@un.org
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Nomination Form 2007

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PART I: FOR INDIVIDUALS (please attach a Curriculum Vitae)

Name: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Nationality: _____

Date and place of birth: _____

Gender: Female Male

Qualifications: Give details in chronological order, starting with the most recent qualification

Date: _____ Institution: _____ Qualifications obtained: _____

Present position: _____

Current job description: _____

Previous positions held (in chronological order, starting with the first position held)

Date _____ Position held and mandate: _____

PART II: FOR INSTITUTIONS (Please give succinct information)

Name and address: _____

Date of Creation: _____

Main fields of activity: _____

Size and structure (if applicable): _____

Optional: Funding (annual budget and sources of income): _____

Name of Head of Institution: _____

PART III: SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Please give details of outstanding innovative work in the field of disaster risk reduction which would qualify the candidate for the Award, in particular with regard to:

Section 1: General disaster risk reduction activities to reduce the socio-economic impact of disasters and to contribute to sustainable development: _____

Section 2: The implementation, at the international or regional level, of activities designed to strengthen peoples' awareness of disasters caused by natural hazards: _____

Section 3: Achievements in disaster risk reduction in developing countries (if any): _____

Section 4: The introduction of scientific activities and any technological innovation contributing to improved disaster forecasting: _____

Section 5: The promotion of social activities contributing to the strengthening of disaster risk reduction: _____

Section 6: Other activities recognized as essential in promoting disaster risk reduction: _____

PART IV: PROPOSAL FOR THE USE OF THE AWARD MONEY

Please give details on the use to be made of the Award money for further development, improvement and promotion of disaster risk reduction activities: _____

A questionnaire on the use of the Award money will be sent to all Sasakawa Laureates to evaluate what extent this financial assistance has contributed to implementing the disaster risk reduction activities planned under this item, and facilitated the advancement of a global culture of prevention.

PART V: DOCUMENTATION

Please list and attach supporting documents related to the work carried out in disaster risk reduction, such as constitution, charter, membership list, including samples of published literature, annual reports and press articles. To facilitate the nomination process, kindly provide as much information as possible in English:

PART VI: REFERENCES

Please list three persons /institutions who are familiar with your activities:

	Full Name	Full address	Business or occupation
1)	_____	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____	_____

Separate nomination papers respecting the above format with comprehensive and detailed information will be accepted

Submitted by: _____

Date of submission: _____

Date of receipt by ISDR: _____

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