



**THE HUMANITARIAN  
WATER & FOOD AWARD**

**2008**

**APPLICATION KIT**



## **Call for Nominations:**

# **The Humanitarian Water and Food Award 2008**

### **Introduction**

Water and food are most important for mankind, yet 850 million people are starving everyday and do not have potable water. Without water and food human beings will die. It is estimated that one child dies every 10 seconds. Every year 1.5 million children worldwide die; in Central and West Africa 191 per 1000 die due to water born diseases like diarrhoea. 20 million children are born underweight and 37 countries face starvation.

This is why the Humanitarian Water and Food Award (HWFA) were initiated. Its goal is to empower needy communities to create their own solutions, as well as to reward groundbreaking projects that are effective in modelling solutions.

HWFA is about human beings, human lives, human survival and building human solidarity.

Founded in 2007, HWFA is a Danish initiative and contribution to the world for an effective solution to the humanitarian crisis related to primary needs of human beings, which have been identified to be water and food. The Water and Food Award is a flagship scheme that rewards individuals, charities and other groups for innovative problem solving that impact on reducing hunger and thirst in our world.

### **The Award: how to apply**

Organisations, groups and individuals involved in identifying and solving problems related to water and food are invited to apply for the Humanitarian Water and Food Award which is given each year. The purpose of this award is to recognise, reward and honour innovative solutions in the relevant fields. In order to be considered for the award, applicants or sponsors are invited to provide details of their current activities according to the attached form. An application letter of a maximum 3 pages (1000 words) should also be attached (this must include your contribution or impact to the environment). Award winners will receive a trophy, the sum of up to 30,000 euros and/or technical assistance to support their water and food related projects.

### **Nominees will be judged according to the following criteria:**

- > **Innovativeness:** Definition of problem/Solution
- > **Sustainability:** Will the solution last? How is it governed/managed?
- > **Local ownership/Empowerment:** Who owns the problem and the solution?
- > **Replicability:** Could it be transferred elsewhere?
- > **Actual or potential impact:** How many people benefit from the solution?



## **Nominees will be judged according to the following criteria:**

### **Innovativeness: Definition of problem/Solution**

What is the idea behind the project? What problem is it trying to solve? What solutions have they proposed? Are the problem statement or rationale and solution proposed new/innovative? Are they effective? Can they be described as 'brilliant'?

### **Sustainability: Will the solution last? How is it governed/managed?**

Will the proposed system for solving the problem last; or does it depend on infusion of technical, financial or human resources from donors or outside partners? If the project is in a developing country, to what extent is it managed in an accountable, transparent and democratic manner? Will the people affected by the problem be able to manage the solution by themselves in future? Is the project administered by a management committee or structure that is representative of the community?

### **Local ownership/Empowerment: Who owns the problem and the solution?**

Was the need for the project identified by the people affected or was the idea imposed by external forces? Is the project managed by the people themselves; do they think the problem and solution are realistic and reflect their real needs?

### **Replicability: Could it be transferred elsewhere?**

We need solutions that can be tried or transferred elsewhere so that people/countries learn from one another. A problem or solution that is of interest to only one country or locality is not very interesting on the international scene.

### **Actual or potential impact: How many people benefit from the solution?**

The number of individuals or communities that benefit from a project is an important aspect of its usefulness.



## Profile of Nominees

Used by Juries in assessing nominees for the Award. It provides a template that describes all applications in a common framework as a first step in documentation. Field investigators can use it on visits to potential awardees.

### 1. Profile of Potential Award Winner

#### I. An organisation

i. Name/ Identification

ii. Type of Organisation (Please tick as appropriate)

Public

Private

Volunteer

Others (Please specify)

iii. Purpose of the organisation (Mission Statement)

iv. Date Established

v. Address (Contact details)

Post code

Country

Continent

Website

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Email

Telephone

Fax

Mobile

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#### II. An Individual

Surname

Middle name

First name

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ii. Affiliation/Address

Post code

Country

Continent

Website

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Email / Skype address

Telephone

Fax

Mobile

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iii. Profession

### 2. Region of Work

#### I. Africa

Region

Country

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#### II. Asia

Region

Country

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#### III. Europe

Region

Country

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**IV. South America**

Region	Country
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**3. Focus of project**

**I. Title of project**

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**II. Area of Project**

Please tick from below

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|----------------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| i. Urban       | <input type="checkbox"/> | ii. Rural | <input type="checkbox"/> | iii. Water      | <input type="checkbox"/> | vii. Nutrition     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| iv. Sanitation | <input type="checkbox"/> | v. Food   | <input type="checkbox"/> | vi. Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> | viii. Malnutrition | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Others: please specify

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**4. Project details**

**I. Context / Justification**

- i. Why/ What was the need for the project?

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**II. Objectives (underlying purpose)**

- i. What is the objective for the project and what problem does it intend to solve?

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**III. Beneficiaries (who will benefit?)**

- i. Primary beneficiary:

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- ii. Secondary beneficiary:

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- iii. How many people all together (approximately) will benefit from your activities?

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**IV. Strategy**

- i. What will be done?

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- ii. How / by who?

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- iii. How do you envisage communicating the progress of the project to HWFA?

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**5. Funding**

**I. Amount**

i. What is the amount you need to found this project?

ii. How much do you have at present?

**II. % (Percentage) of funding spent on administration**

i. What percentage of your funds is spent on administration and how?

**III. Timeframe (year/period)**

i. Phase 1:

ii. Phase 2:

**IV. Source of Funding**

Please tick as appropriate

i. Donor

ii. Government

iii. Private Sector

iv. Others: Please specify

Please specify name of individual and/or organisation

**6. Sustainability of project**

**I. Governance Structure**

i. Board of trustee/Directors

- a. State name of the chairman, responsibilities and experience.
- b. Tell us how the board functions.

ii. Management Board

- a. Who is in the Management Board, how does it function?

iii. Local Committee

- a. Who manages the committee and what level of influence do the members have in the community? (Please give us as much detailed information as possible)

- iv. Community perception and ownership
  - a. Is the community directly involved in the project?
  - b. Who owns the project?
  - c. How is the community empowered by this project?

**II. Mainstreaming of Project**

- i. Vertical/Stand-alone

- ii. Relation to other development projects

**7. Evaluation of project**

**I. Monitoring and evaluation of project**

- i. Please tick bellow

- a. Government
- b. NGO
- c. International organisation
- d. University
- e. Other Institutions

- ii. Please state the name/department of the organisation or person in charge of the evaluation?

- iii. Other: please specify

**II. Responsibility (whose responsibility)**

- i. Type of evaluation

- ii. Process – Effect – Impact

- iii. Participatory / "expert"?

- iv. Frequency (of monitoring / evaluation)

- v. Gender issues

- vi. Report / conclusion

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**8. Special features of project**

**I. Capacity building (technical skills, advocacy, management, networking etc...)  
for:**

- i. Association                       ii. Groups                       iii. Individual

**II. Partnerships**

i. Name of partner:

ii. At what level is your partnership?

- Formal       Informal       International       National       Community

**9. Additional information/Observation**