

Stop Partnership

Concept Note - KOCHON AWARD

INTRODUCTION

The KOCHON Foundation (the Foundation), a non-profit scholarships making foundation registered in the Republic of Korea, has proposed the Stop TB Partnership / Kochon Prize.

The prize consists of a medal and a sum of money, awarded once a year. The total yearly contribution for the Prize will be US\$100 000.

There will be a 6% deduction for administrative programme support costs. Of the balance, 65% will represent the value of the prize and medal, the remaining 35% may be spent by the Partnership on selection committee activities, travel and accommodation for recipients and the work of the Secretariat in supporting the selection committee.

PROPOSAL

A 2006 Selection Committee will invite nominations of a person or persons, institution or institutions, or organization or organizations, who have made a great achievement in combating tuberculosis, contributing to the formulation and implementation of a system or policy for anti-tuberculosis programmes or who have made a contribution to education and training for the prevention of tuberculosis. Current WHO staff members are not eligible to receive the prize.

The Secretariat will issue a call for nominations using well know means such as weekly periodicals (e.g. The Economist) or high impact peer review journals (e.g. The Lancet) by December 2005.

Nominations for the Prize, which may be put forward by any national health administration of a Member State of WHO, any Stop TB partner or any former recipient of the Prize, should reach the Secretariat by the end of February 2006.

CRITERIA FOR THE PRIZE WINNER

In judging nominations, the 2006 Selection Committee will consider primarily:

- The exceptional commitment to the global fight against TB

- The extent of the originality and potential impact of their work on TB control and TB affected communities.
- The extent to which a Stop TB Partnership/Kochon Foundation Award might contribute to the furtherance of the nominee's work in the fight against TB.

In order to be considered, nomination letters must:

- be typewritten
- be in English
- be signed by an eligible individual or on behalf of an eligible organization
- arrive at the Secretariat by: February 28th 2006
- The winner will be notified by the 15th of March 2006
- The announcement of the winner would be made annual on World TB Day with an award ceremony at a later date.

NEXT STEPS

- To approve the process as outlined in the agreement between the WHO and Kochon Foundation, Summary Sheet and this concept note.
- To confirm the timeline or amend
- To appoint a nominating committee
 - A selection committee of three Board members, plus the WHO representative on the Board and a representative of the Kochon Foundation