

Guidelines for the 5th Kyoto World Water Grand Prize

1. Objectives:

The Kyoto World Water Grand Prize aims to find and develop grass-roots activities related to water issues around the world.

Since 2015 when countries of the United Nations agreed to adopt the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), new thoughts and actions have been called for to each country and the international community.

We believe that in order to achieve the UN commitment to the SDGs, “no one left behind”, it is crucial not only to formulate political policies and discussions but also take on practical grass-roots activities to solve ongoing challenges, while also improving policy makers’ understanding and interest in such activities.

In this context, the 5th Kyoto World Water Grand Prize honors a distinguished organization that has been working for solving critical water issues in developing countries, through which the Prize making a contribution to the grass-root activities as well as promoting and calling for the importance of problem-solving actions to many people and organizations ranging from those who are involved in adoption of political policies and play roles in international discussions to those striving for grass-roots activities.

2. Winners of the Past Prizes:

The first Kyoto World Water Grand Prize (2006)

<Gram Vikas> <India>

<http://gramvikas.org/>

The second Kyoto World Water Grand Prize (2009)

<Watershed Organization Trust> <India>

<http://www.wotr.org/>

The third Kyoto World Water Grand Prize (2012)

<Katosi Women Development Trust (KWDT)> <Uganda>

<https://www.katosi.org/>

The fourth Kyoto World Water Grand Prize (2015)

<Environment and Public Health Organization (ENPHO)> <Nepal>

<http://enpho.org/>

3. Co-organizers:

Japan Water Forum (JWF) and World Water Council (WWC)

4. The prize:

The winner of the prize will be awarded **2,000,000 JPY** (approximately **18,000 USD***), which should be used by the winning organization for implementing their project. The winning organization is requested to describe the details of project in the application form for the prize and report on the project to Japan Water Forum.

*The total amount of the grant in UDS will fluctuate due to exchange rate.

5. Sponsors:

Japanese companies

6. Application period:

Applications will be accepted only between **1st August and 29st September** 2017.
Announcement of decision on the prize winner will be made on February, 2018.

7. Eligibility for entry:

Any organization is eligible for the Prize with **the exception of:**

- National governments
- Local governments
- Commercial corporations
- Branch of International Aid Organization

8. Criteria of evaluation:

Organization

The organization implements grass-roots activities aiming at solving water-related problems which approach and outcomes of the activities could set a good example to others.

Project by means of the prize

The project contributes to solving the water-related problems at the grass-roots level.

The following are a few examples of the activities:

1. Construction/ repair of the rainwater harvesting tank, well, and water reservoir.
2. Installation of the small scale type water supply system.
3. Construction/ repair of the sanitation facility.
4. Maintenance/ improvement of the water resources environment.
5. Installation/ promotion of the water efficiency irrigation system.
6. Implementation of the Water-related disaster risk reduction/mitigation program.
7. Others.

Validity, necessity, feasibility, efficiency, effectiveness and **sustainability** would be assessed by the selection committee.

9. Processes and schedule for selection

- 1st screening process: evaluating the applications (October, 2017)
- 2nd screening process: selecting the top 5 (November to December, 2017)
- Final screening process: selecting the winning organization (January, 2018)

10. Awarding of the Prize:

The Prize will be awarded at the opening ceremony or closing ceremony of the 8th World Water Forum in Brazil, March of 2018. The representative of the winning organization will be invited to the ceremony to deliver a speech.

11. How to apply:

Completely filled-in prescribed application form and other 2 documents such as Annual report and Final report of the recent project must be submitted to the Japan Water Forum **by e-mail via office@waterforum.jp**. The form must be filled in in **English**. Other languages are not acceptable.

12. Notes:

The criteria to be used in evaluating the organization and proposed project are listed in the application form.

Application form submitted for entry will not be returned.

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