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BACKGROUND

- The Nikkei Asia Prizes recognize outstanding achievements by Asian individuals and organisations that contribute to the region's sustainable development and to the creation of a better future for Asia.
- The Prizes serve to promote mutual understanding among Asian countries and to help people around the world deepen their understanding of Asia.



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Award Categories: Guidelines

AWARD CATEGORIES

a) Economic and Business Innovation

- Recognizes business and economic initiatives that improve living standards and stability in the region.
- Nominees may include:
 - 1) **Entrepreneurs** who have **successfully developed** industries and businesses with innovative business approach.
 - 2) **Policy planners** who have **successfully undertaken important work** on economic reform and/or integration of economies in the region.
 - 3) **Individuals** who have **undertaken initiatives to eradicate** poverty and/ or responded affectively to social needs.

AWARD CATEGORIES

b) Science and Technology

- Recognizes scientific researches and technological innovations in various fields. Eg: Bio, genome, information technology, medicine.
- Nominees may include:
 - 1) Researchers** who have discovered new ways to protect the environment or recycle resources.
 - 2) Researchers** who have developed new species that increase harvests.
 - 3) Medical doctors or scientists** whose achievements benefit people in the region or in a country.

AWARD CATEGORIES

c) Culture and Community

- Recognizes people who have made a difference through cultural, artistic, or educational activities.
- Nominees may include:
 - 1) Artists, writers, craftsmen, festival organisers, leaders of projects** to preserve and study historical heritage and coordinators of cultural activities in the region.
 - 2) Individuals or groups** that provide indirect support for creative cultural activities and have great social impact are eligible.

AWARD CATEGORIES

***those who do not expressly fall under the guidelines may also be nominated if their achievements benefit people in the region and are deemed to fall within one of the three categories.**

OTHER GUIDELINES

- **The Prizes aims to award**
 - outstanding achievements and contributions which were carried out within the past single decade;
 - not only individuals that have already received recognition, but also those who are not so well known, but have conducted steady and sincere activities toward creating stable lives for people, contributing to prosperity;
 - those who are active at present. Nominations of young people are welcome, if their work have received certain amount of recognition.

WINNERS

- Winners (recipients) may **be an individual, group or organisation in Asia**, excluding Japan. Japanese individuals, groups or organisations are not eligible.
- They must be of Asian origin and reside in an Asian country/territory for at least six (6) months every year.
- “Asia” includes East Asia (Northeast Asia and Southeast Asia), South Asia, as well as independent nations in the Pacific region, excluding Australia and New Zealand.

NOMINATIONS

- Nominations from **specialists** in the award categories who know of worthy candidates.
- Japanese individuals/groups/organizations may submit nominations.
- Self-nominations are not accepted.
- Names of nominators will be kept **confidential**.

NOMINATIONS

- Nominators are required to fill in the nomination form attached
- Please include curriculum vitae and all supporting documents (relevant articles about the nominee, any academic papers written by the nominee, or a brochure of the group or organisation, etc.) together with the form and submit to wani@akademisains.gov.my

SELECTIONS

- Nominee's contributions to the region's **sustainable development** and to the creation of a better future for Asia.
- Consideration will also be given to the **originality, impact and newsworthiness** of each nominee's achievements.

PRIZE

- **Three million yen** as well as an **award certificate**.
- Winners are invited and obliged to attend the award ceremony which will be held in **Tokyo** in **May**.

2018 NIKKEI ASIA PRIZES WINNERS

Economic and Business Innovation

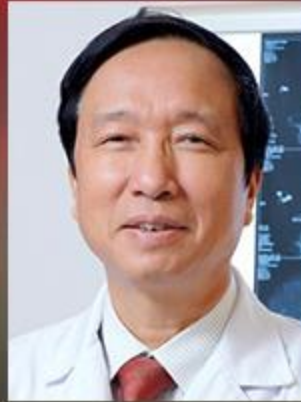
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Culture and Community

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TIMELINE OF NOMINATION

Nikkei Asia Prizes Committee send out invitations to individuals and/or institutions that are eligible to nominate candidates for their nominations	August 2018
ASM receives invitation to nominate	18 Sept 2018
Call of Application by ASM	25 Sept – 15 Oct 2018
Deadline for submitting the nominations to organiser	31 Oct 2018
Nikkei Asia Prizes Ceremony	May 2019