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African Center for Meteorological Applications for Development (ACMAD) is announced as a Finalist in this year's Catalyst 2030 Awards to celebrate systems change allies

ACMAD is proud to announce that they have been shortlisted as finalists in the Bilaterals and Multilaterals] category of the 2023 edition of Catalyst 2030 Awards. The Awards is a celebration of the social ecosystems' change allies. As allies, we are proud to be shaping new global narratives on societal challenges, building an ecosystem that centres local solutions for greater impact. The winners will be announced at the Catalyst 2030 Awards Ceremony which will take place on 8 November at 4:00 pm CET. The ceremony will be livestreamed from Spencer House in London. Register to attend virtually here.

The Catalyst 2030 Awards recognises the remarkable funding allies who are championing transformational change by shining a light on innovative practices. This platform honors both private and public sector entities that are taking bold actions to shift how societal challenges are addressed. These trailblazers are leading the way by directing support directly to community-led solutions, changing the global approach to funding to ensure that it supports community initiatives, and championing the efforts of local social innovators through collaborative partnerships.

The Award jurors are global thought leaders <u>Dr Anino Emuwa</u>, Management Consultant and Strategist <u>Benjamin Bellegy</u>, Executive Director WINGS, Philanthropist and Civil Society Developer, <u>Eric Nee</u>, Editorin-Chief of the *Stanford Social Innovation Review*, <u>Tawakkol Karman</u>, Yemeni Nobel Laureate, Journalist, Politician and Human Rights Activist and <u>Raj Kumar</u>, President and Editor-in-Chief of *Devex*.

The Awards celebrates organisations in four categories, Governments, Corporates, Bilaterals and Multilaterals and Donors. The finalists for this year are:

Governments - Global

- Canadian Federal Government, Canada
- raiSE Singapore, Singapore
- Jordanian Ministry of Culture, Jordan



Governments - Regional

- Basque Government, Spain
- Prosper Portland, Oregon, USA
- PEBEC, Nigeria
- AECT, European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation Duero-Douro, Spain and Portugal

Corporates

- Deloitte, UK
- Lex Mundi, Global
- EY, Global
- Ambev, Brazil

Bilaterals and Multilaterals

- UN World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO), Global
- African Center of Metrological Applications for Development (ACMAD), Niger
- UN Inter-Agency Task Force on Social and Solidarity Economy (UNTFSSE), Global

Donors - Individuals and organisations

Leader in Learning

- Instituto Phi, Brazil
- The Philanthropic Initiative, USA
- Instituto Humanitas 360, PDR Fundo Filantrópico, Brazil

Leader in Trust

- Social Tech Trust, UK
- Tarsadia Foundation, India
- Aspire Coronation Foundation (ACT), Nigeria

Leader in Partnership

- Childrens Helpers Worldwide, UK
- Asfari Foundation, UK
- Segal Family Foundation, USA
- Mulago Foundation, USA

New Category Created for Overall Best Donor:

- English Family Foundation, Australia
- Segal Family Foundation, USA



For more information you can read about the **Catalyst 2030 Awards**.

Notes for editors

<u>Catalyst 2030</u> is a fast-growing, global movement of social entrepreneurs and social innovators from all sectors who share the common goal of creating innovative, people-centered, community-led approaches to advance the <u>Sustainable Development Goals</u>. Joining forces with communities, governments, businesses and others, Catalyst 2030 members are changing systems at all levels through collective action and bold, new strategies.

The movement was launched at the World Economic Forum in January 2020. Today Catalyst 2030 comprises 3,600 proven social innovators and 2010 member organisations and is active in 124 countries, directly reaching an estimated one billion people. Through the establishment of Country Chapters (43 so far) and Regional Chapters (six), Catalyst 2030 is creating collaborative innovation ecosystems across the globe.

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