



# EQUATOR PRIZE 2014 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

LOCAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT SOLUTIONS  
FOR PEOPLE, NATURE AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

The Equator Initiative is pleased to announce its call for nominations for the Equator Prize 2014, which will recognize twenty-five (25) local sustainable development solutions for people, nature and resilient communities.

All winning initiatives will receive US \$5,000, with several selected for "special recognition" and a total of US \$20,000 each. Representatives of all winning communities will be supported to participate in events during the UN Secretary-General's Climate Summit and the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples in New York in September 2014.

## THE POWER OF GRASSROOTS INNOVATION

The Equator Initiative aims to shine a spotlight on outstanding local efforts to reduce poverty through the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity. We take our inspiration from local and indigenous communities on the frontlines of the global poverty, environment and climate challenges and are searching for grassroots stories that can change the world. Nominations are open to organizations from 145 countries. For eligibility requirements and selection criteria, please click [here](#).

## LOCAL CLIMATE ACTION

The theme of the Equator Prize 2014 is local climate action. We are looking for leading examples of communities that are managing biodiversity and ecosystems in a way that is reducing vulnerability, creating sustainable livelihoods, and advancing natural solutions to address the climate crisis. 'Special recognition' prizes will be awarded in: smallholder agriculture and food security, forest management (including REDD+), sustainable land management, ecosystem restoration, sustainable energy, water security, and disaster risk reduction.

## HOW TO NOMINATE

To access the online nomination system, please click [here](#). Nominations may be completed online or sent via email or post to:

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Nominations may be submitted in the following languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Haitian Creole, Hindi, Indonesian, Malay, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Swahili, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.

Nominations must be submitted by **March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014**.

For the Equator Prize 2014 promotional video, please click [here](#). For profiles of past Equator Prize winners, please click [here](#).

