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Launch of International ReSource Award for Sustainable Watershed Management 2015

To whom it may concern:

Swiss Re Foundation is pleased to announce the launch of the "ReSource Award 2015". The International ReSource Award for Sustainable Watershed Management was established in 2002 to actively support the planning, evaluation and implementation of water-related projects with the aim of promoting awareness and encouraging the efficient use of this precious resource. The award is an annual competition for innovative watershed management projects with a total value of **USD 150,000**. It will be granted to one or several projects selected by an international jury. The prize money is to be used exclusively **for project implementation**.

NGOs, private, scientific or public institutions and similar bodies are invited to apply for the ReSource Award 2015. The award is looking for projects which genuinely seek to contribute to raising awareness of the ecological, social and economic significance of water sources and watersheds in developing and emerging countries (only projects, which are implemented in a non-OECD country are being considered).

Preference will be given to projects which demonstrate innovative approaches to effective adaptation to the expected regional consequences of climate change harming the watershed and which allow scaling-up on a self-sustaining basis. Last year's participants are allowed to re-submit their projects, if substantial changes regarding the quality of the project have been made. All information on the ReSource Award is available online at www.resourceaward.org.

The application process is divided into short and full proposal stage. Short proposals have to be submitted via the **online application form (available in English only)** by **30 April 2014**, **24.00 CET**. Successful applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal.

As we are now looking to attract interested parties involved in watershed management to participate in the 2015 award, we kindly ask for your support. We would be most grateful if you could **spread the word about the ReSource Award** within your own network and by mentioning it in your **newsletter or on your website**.

We greatly appreciate your support to further sustainable watershed management and we are looking forward to receiving many interesting applications!

Yours sincerely,

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PS: Please feel free to forward this e-mail (in its entirety) to other interested organizations.