

## State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

The State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region is one of several Foundation awards, administered by the World Health Organization, which acknowledges the work of well-known scientists, researchers or dedicated people who have greatly contributed to the advancement of public health.

### Purpose

The purpose of the prize is to recognize individuals who have made an outstanding contribution in prevention, control or research in one or more of the following disease groups: cancer, cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

### Eligibility

The Prize will be awarded to one or more persons for making an outstanding contribution in prevention, control and research in one or more of the following disease groups: cancer, cardiovascular disease and diabetes. Current and former members of the WHO Secretariat shall not be eligible to receive the Prize nor should the candidature of a deceased person be submitted to the Foundation Committee, unless death occurs after the nomination has been made. A candidate who has been previously awarded, and has been re-nominated after several years, will only be eligible if a new contribution has been made. Candidates are more likely to receive the prize (maximum three recipients per year, one per disease) if they fulfil the following criteria:

- Contribute to the successful formulation and implementation of national policy and strategy for one or more of the following disease groups: cancer, cardiovascular disease and diabetes.
- Submit documentary evidence that research and other programmes have been translated into policy and have contributed to improving prevention and/or control in one or more of the three disease groups.

In order to facilitate the assessment of their work, candidates will be requested to upload documentation in support of their application, illustrating how they made a substantive contribution in prevention, control or research in one or more of the three disease groups. The Foundation Committee reserves the right to request further information from the applicant to better review his/her application.

### Nature of the prize and attribution

The prize consists of a bronze medal and a sum of money. The prize is presented to the recipient, or representative thereof, in case of absence, at the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean by the Committee's Chairman.

### Deadline for submission

The deadline for submission for the 2025 State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region is 01 July 2025.

### Prize timeline

A list of the shortlisted candidates will be sent to national health administrations for endorsement in August 2025. The Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean in October 2025 will decide which candidate will receive the prize, which will be awarded to the recipient the following year at 73<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean in October 2026.

