Call for Applications

Else Kröner Fresenius Award for Development Cooperation in Medicine

Topic in 2020: Neglected Tropical Diseases

The Else Kröner Fresenius Award for Development Cooperation in Medicine acknowledges outstanding projects and staff from organizations that serve towards improving medical care in developing countries. The award is endowed with 100,000 euros. This year it honors projects pertaining to the topic of combating neglected tropical diseases (NTDs).

The World Health Organization (WHO) defines NTDs as a group of 20 diseases, most of which have infectious causes and – unlike malaria, tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS – receive little attention in terms of research and combating the diseases. In developing countries, especially the poorest segment of the population is frequently stricken with NTDs. Worldwide, 1.4 billion people in 149 countries are affected; each year half a million people die directly or indirectly from NTDs.

A project in the field of combating NTDs and the member of staff who mainly implements or manages the project are the intended recipients to be honored with the Else Kröner Fresenius Award for Development Cooperation in Medicine. The project ought to be exemplary, to have already been running for at least one year, and is going to be continued in the future.

Staff from organizations that carry out humanitarian projects in the field of NTDs can apply. The organization must be a non-profit or public-law entity based in Germany or within the EU (incl. EFTA countries). The prize money may be utilized solely for the project which has been honored. The deadline for application is February 15, 2020.

The award shall be presented on October 29, 2020 at the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation in Berlin.

Please send your application documents per e-mail to j.heusinger@ekfs.de. Please note the information for application submission and the formal prerequisites to be found at https://www.ekfs.de/en/humanitarian-funding/humanitarian-award

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The non-profit Else Kröner-Fresenius-Stiftung is a foundation dedicated to the funding of research and the support of medical/humanitarian projects. With an annual funding volume amounting to over 50 million euros it is currently the largest foundation in Germany that actively funds and supports medicine.

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