

Nominations for the 2023 UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award

***NOTE:** You can use this guide to prepare your answers in advance before submitting the online form at <https://www.unhcr.org/nominate.html>.

Nomination period

- Opens: 23 January 2023
- Closes: 17 March 2023 (midnight CET)

Background

The UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award is given annually to an individual, group or organization that has shown outstanding dedication and service to people forced to flee their homes or people who are stateless. Since 2017, we have also recognized several regional winners each year. Learn about past winners at [unhcr.org/nansen](https://www.unhcr.org/nansen).

Nominations

Anyone may nominate a candidate for the UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award. If you nominated someone in the past but they did not win, you may nominate them again.

The strongest nominations will provide a detailed account of the candidate's work and results for displaced or stateless people, as well as three solid references to vouch for their character and impact. References should not all come from the same organization or group.

Please note that self-nominations are strongly discouraged. Current or former UNHCR employees are not eligible.

The deadline to submit nominations is **midnight CET, 17 March 2023**. Late submissions will not be considered.

Selection Criteria

- Candidates may be individuals, groups or organizations.
- Their work must have a direct and positive impact on the lives of forcibly displaced or stateless people.
- Their work relates to a major displacement situation or issue. This year we especially encourage nominations that relate to **inclusion or solutions**, which will be central themes of the Global Forum on Refugees in December 2023, but this is optional.
- They devote substantial time and effort to support forcibly displaced or stateless people, going above and beyond the call of duty and outside their expected role.
- They have the capacity to successfully implement a suitable project with the prize money (US\$100,000 for the global laureate, US\$25,000 for regional winners).
- They have three strong references.

Selection Process

The global laureate and regional winners are chosen by an independent Selection Committee. The selection process remains strictly confidential, and no information regarding the status of your nomination will be released.

The 2023 global laureate and regional winners will be announced in late 2023.

For any questions, please write to the UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award Secretariat at

nansen@unhcr.org.

[Questions for nomination form]

** 1. NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:*

First name

Surname

Organization or Profession

Professional Title (CEO, Director, Administrator etc)

Address

Email

Phone

** 2. NOMINEE FOR 2023 UNHCR NANSEN REFUGEE AWARD*

Individual

Group or Organization

Individual name (first name, SURNAME) OR Organization name

If individual and part of an organization, include organization name

Professional title (Director, Founder, Volunteer etc)

Address (either home or place of work)

Website (if appropriate)

Social handles (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram etc)

3. Please indicate the main theme of the nominee's work or activities:

- Inclusion
- Solutions
- Health
- Education
- Employment
- Statelessness
- Climate Action or Environment
- Children
- Women and gender
- WASH (Water and Sanitation for Health)
- Sports
- Other (please specify)

4. Where does the nominee work? (please include country or countries)

5. Why does the nominee deserve recognition for their work? (around 300 words)

6. Please describe the nominees' activities. How are they improving the lives of people forced to flee their homes? (around 300 words)

7. How has the nominee gone above and beyond the call of duty? What does make them exceptional or inspirational? (around 300 words)

8. Please list what you consider as the top five media publications detailing the nominee's work. Please provide links of sources and short descriptions. (You can include such links such as new articles, videos, photos, blogs, social media).

9. Does the nominee have the capacity to successfully implement a suitable project with the prize money, if selected? (You might note other projects they have implemented, indicate their annual budget, or describe other funding they have received.)

10. Anything else we should know about your nominee? (around 200 words)

References

The nomination will be ineligible if three references are not provided. Please provide full contact details for three people who are familiar with the work of the nominee. The references should be selected from diverse backgrounds (e.g. not all from the same organization or group) and should not be the nominator.

* 11. Reference 1

- Name (first name, SURNAME)
- Organization
- Professional Title
- Email
- Phone

* 12. Reference 2

- Name (first name, SURNAME)
- Organization
- Professional Title
- Email
- Phone

* 13. Reference 3

- Name (first name, SURNAME)
- Organization
- Professional Title
- Email
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