Equator Prize 2012 **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**





Local Solutions FOR PEOPLE, NATURE AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

The Equator Initiative is pleased to announce the call for nominations for the Equator Prize 2012, which will recognize 25 outstanding local initiatives that are working to advance sustainable development solutions for people, nature and resilient communities.

All winning initiatives will receive US \$5,000, with 10 selected for "special recognition" and a total of US \$20,000 each. Representatives of all winning communities will participate in Rio+20, the UN Conference on Sustainable Development, in Brazil in June 2012.

On its 10-year anniversary, and in recognition of the new and emerging challenges that face local and indigenous communities the world over, the Equator Prize 2012 will have an expanded thematic scope and geographical eligibility.

'Resilient Communities'

The Equator Prize 2012 will focus on local innovation and excellence in promoting community wellbeing and sustainable livelihoods, environmental conservation, and sustainable natural resource management. Eight new 'special recognition' categories – in areas such as community-based adaptation, food security, forest management, energy, water, and more – have been created with the overall theme of 'resilient communities for sustainable development'.

'A World of Innovative Local Solutions'

Geographical eligibility for the Equator Prize 2012 has been expanded to include all countries receiving support from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). For a list of eligible countries, eligibility requirements and selection criteria, please click **here**.

How to Nominate

To nominate an initiative for the Equator Prize 2012 (or to self-nominate), visit our website: **www.equatorinitiative.org**. Nomination forms must be submitted by 31 October 2011. Nominations may be completed online or sent via email, fax, or post to:

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Email: prize@equatorinitiative.org

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

For the Equator Prize 2012 promotional video, please click here.

