United Nations Sasakawa Award for Disaster Risk Reduction 2022

Steps to follow to complete a nomination:

1. **Prepare letter of nomination.** Please indicate in the letter what your nominee is doing to reduce disaster risk whether at the national, local or community level and tell us who you are. We accept letters in English, French and Spanish, but we recommend using English whenever possible.

2. **Complete a questionnaire and share an essay (max. 500 words)** on the efforts, impact and relevant financial background of the nominee:

   When answering the questionnaire, please pay attention to:
   
   - Explaining how the nominee’s efforts are helping to shape a safe, inclusive and resilient future
   - Including statistics, anecdotes or other evidence that could support the application
   - Demonstrating a link between the nominee’s actions and its positive impact on the society

   We encourage you to **share any other relevant supporting documentation** from your nominee, such as videos, articles, publications, reports through the nomination form.

How can I prepare a nomination letter for an individual or organization?

Your nomination letters should tell us what your nominee is doing to reduce disaster risk whether at the national, local or community level.

Nominees should demonstrate:

- A distinguished track record.
- An understanding of impacts of disasters and how to manage the risks we face, in particular for the theme of this 2022 Award, how a multi-hazard approach has been taken. This means managing multiple disaster hazards, not only one, and may include for example pandemic risk.
- The ability to transmit new insights and knowledge to the wider community on how to build resilience to disasters and live sustainably.
- The vision and charisma to engage the wider community in activities that help strengthen society’s ability to be resilient.
- The talent for making clear proposals and recommendations to influence disaster risk reduction policy based on evidence.
- The potential to contribute to the future of how disaster risk is prevented, reduced and managed.
- A commitment to people-centered preventive approaches to disaster risk and inclusive and accessible disaster risk reduction practices
It is possible to nominate an individual, community group, civil society organization, government agency at local or national level, NGOs or private sector entities for this Award. Previous winners cannot be nominated again; it’s not possible to nominate yourself or your own institution.

Please find here examples of the past nominees:

- A project by an individual to mitigate the impact of climate change at national level: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2pf-iOy2ywI

- A local government initiative which brings citizens together to agree on new ways to reduce the impact of floods and other risks: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aaCgxNt2Wc8

- An innovative local community project to increase the resilience of persons living with disabilities: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OD6hYie3788

- A public enterprise reduces risks during the development of critical infrastructure to provide energy and drinking water: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vsBM219tUIE