



HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AWARD OF LATVIA

Guidelines for Selection of Recipients of the Human Development Award 2016

Recipients of the Human Development Award (HDA) will be selected based on excellence, as defined by a holistic outlook on sustainable human development.

HDA nominees will be evaluated based on several criteria, including:

- 1) **Impact.** Demonstrable impact on society;
- 2) **Sustainability.** Sustainable development;
- 3) **Innovation.** Innovative, creative, original approaches, successfully adapted to local conditions.
- 4) **Inspiration.** Actions serving as a model of practice for others.

Social Responsibility Award

This award honors excellence in the development of society through exceptional generosity and commitment of time, expertise and financial or organizational support.

Nominations are required to comply with the following principles:

- **Community**
Serving, supporting and giving back to the community, including the generous use of time, expertise, financial and organizational resources
- **The Environment**
Promoting sustainable environmental practices
- **People**
Responsibility, respect and fair treatment for all members of society, employees and customers
- **Transparency**
Commitment to operate ethically and legally, with integrity, transparency and accountability

Outstanding Commitment to Education Award

This award honors initiatives for improving the quality of and access to education and training that enhances the well-being of people from all walks of life, and promotes education as a life-long process.

Nominations in this category will be evaluated based on achievements in one or more of the following areas:

- Promoting an educational environment that facilitates the free development of imagination, creativity and innovation;
- Promoting education that ensures high academic achievements in a large number of students;
- Promoting methods, including use of digital technologies, to improve the overall education system;
- Contribution to civic education in Latvia, namely good governance, transparency, responsibility and rule of law;
- Increasing self-awareness, interpersonal relationships and empathy of Latvia's children through study materials, methods or practices;
- Creating a better balance in life between material and emotional needs.



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Exemplary Contribution to Health and Well-being Award

This award honors initiatives in regard to promotion of healthy living, supporting and improving health and well-being of communities and individuals and reducing health inequalities. "Healthy body, healthy mind and healthy spirit."

Nominations in this category will be evaluated based on achievements in one or more of the following areas:

- Strengthening healthy behaviours:
 - Promoting targeted healthy habits and diminishing unhealthy habits of individuals;
 - Social and community factors (e.g. community support and actions);
 - Living and working conditions (e.g. health promoting environments);
- Tackling inequalities in health:
 - Strengthening individuals (e.g. information & skills);
 - Strengthening communities (e.g. supporting community action);
 - Improving access to health services (e.g. providing outreach services in community settings).

The Future of Latvia Award

This award honors initiatives in regard to the enhancement of youth and children's welfare, healthy development and their rights to grow up in a loving and stable environment, including in foster and guardian families.

Nominations in this category will be evaluated based on achievements in one or more of the following areas:

- Contribution to the development of Latvia's children and youth to become healthy, educated, innovative, responsible and moral citizens with a healthy balance between their material and emotional needs and aspirations;
- Contribution to the creation of a more trusting society with faith in their values and principles;
- Promoting and supporting de-institutionalization of childcare in Latvia;
- Nurturing of children without biological parental care to become healthy and engaged citizens of Latvia.
- Contribution to the education and well-being of children whose families have returned to Latvia from emigration.

HDA Jury Members' Qualifications

1. To be impartial rather than advocate their personal beliefs
2. Strictly judge on criteria and areas selected by the HDA organizing partners
3. Have knowledge and experience in the defined HDA criteria and areas