

Providing seeds of hope for the future, Kuwait's 2016 Al-Sumait Prize for Food Security in Africa is awarded for significant advances in enhancing food security.

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Kuwait Extends Nomination Period For The 2016 Al-Sumait Prize for Food Security

Kuwait City, May 20, 2016 – The Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS) has announced an extension of deadline for nominations for the 2016 <u>Al-Sumait Prize</u> for Food Security in Africa. The new closing date for entries for the one million dollar Al-Sumait Prize for Food Security is June 30th, 2016, with nomination forms available for download at http://alsumaitprize.org/nominations/

Established in honor of the work of Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Sumait, a Kuwaiti physician who spent his lifetime helping the poor in Africa, the Al-Sumait Prize for Food Security is awarded for a research project or initiative the Al-Sumait Board Of Trustees deem to have made significant advancement within one or more of the following areas:

- Developing new varieties of seeds, crops or livestock which can improve the food security of the poor population in Africa by increasing the calorific and nutritional value of food produced and consumed domestically
- Improving farmers' access to agricultural inputs, techniques, technologies and markets so as to increase the availability of staple products that form a core part of the diet of the poorest people in Africa
- Improving farmers' resilience to climate change and extreme weather conditions.

Formally launched at a meeting of its Board of Trustees on December 7, 2015, in Kuwait, the Al-Sumait prize was first announced by the Amir of the State of Kuwait, H.H. Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah in November 2013 at the 3rd Arab African Summit.

Nomination forms are available on http://alsumaitprize.org/nominations/

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Kuwait's Al-Sumait Prizes are a set of annual awards designed to honor significant advances in the fields of food security, health and education in Africa. Administered by the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS) and a Board of Trustees, the awards celebrate the work and accomplishments of Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Sumait, a Kuwaiti physician who spent his lifetime helping the poor in Africa in the field of health and

education. The objective of the prizes is to recognize best studies, scientific projects, applied research, and innovative initiatives that have a significant impact and lasting influence on advancing progress to economic and social development in Africa. www.alsumaitprize.org