



New White Paper from Al-Sumait Prize for African Development examines the complex food security challenges faced across Africa

May 24, 2016 19:40 UTC

## **New White Paper on Food Security in Africa**

This new White Paper from Al-Sumait Prize for African Development examines the complex food security challenges faced across Africa in order to encourage better understanding and solutions of the problem.

It is the second in a series of White Papers produced in conjunction with Al-Sumait Prize, an annual award by the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS) for the advancement of economic, social, human resources, and infrastructure development in the African continent.

Noting that Africa is the world's second largest continent, home to nearly 1.2 billion men, women and children living in 53 countries, Al-Sumait Prize's White Paper says millions still battle poverty, hunger, poor education and ill health. The solution, the White Paper highlights, lies in tackling core issues, from ageing demographics, skills development and global warming to enhancing agricultural productivity with efficient business models and addressing greenhouse gas emissions, water use and waste.

To help speed the drive to improve food security in Africa a powerful initiative conceived by the Amir of the State of Kuwait, H.H. Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah has been launched – the Al-Sumait Prize for Food Security in Africa.

Launched in December 2015, the Al-Sumait Prize will be awarded annually to the best international research or development initiative that is deemed to contribute significantly to solve major development challenges facing African nations, in particular the least developing countries in the fields of Food Security, Health and Education. The prize has been named after Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Sumait, a Kuwaiti physician who devoted his life towards helping the poor in Africa.

For more information, please visit [www.alsumaitprize.org](http://www.alsumaitprize.org)

---

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](http://www.alsumaitprize.org)