

THE ELSEVIER FOUNDATION AWARDS FOR EARLY-CAREER WOMEN SCIENTISTS IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD

With funds generously provided by the Elsevier Foundation, OWSD presents a yearly **Award for Early-Career Women Scientists in the Developing World**, in recognition of young women scientists from scientifically-lagging countries who have made significant contributions to science.

Each of five award winners receives a prize of \$5000 USD and a trip to the annual AAAS meeting in the United States.

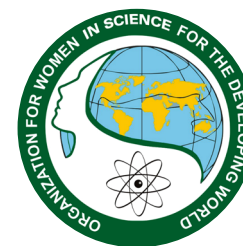
Since it was launched in 2012, the award has had an important impact on local research cultures. Previous winners say the awards have had a powerful effect, enhancing the visibility of their past work and creating new opportunities for the future. The awardees are powerful role models for young women who are contemplating whether to remain in a scientific environment that is often not accommodating to their needs and experience.



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OWSD was founded in 1987 and provides research training, career development and networking opportunities for women scientists throughout the developing world at different stages in their careers.

OWSD programmes include Membership, Fellowships (PhD and Early Career), and Awards.



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“ The OWSD award is not just about opportunity for me. As a women scientist, receiving an immense honor built my confidence to be a successful scientist after completing my PhD. ”

Salina Parvin Banu, Bangladesh

Who is eligible?

Eligible Candidates

The nominee must be a female scientist from a scientifically-lagging developing country; have received her PhD within the previous 10 years; and have lived and worked in one of the listed countries during the three years immediately prior to the nomination.

The awards rotate annually between disciplines (biological sciences, engineering sciences and physical sciences) to ensure optimal exposure and networking synergies.

Eligible Countries

Africa: Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Rep., Chad, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Dem. Rep. Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Arab region: Djibouti, Palestine (West Bank & Gaza Strip), Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Yemen.

Asia and the Pacific: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Kiribati, Lao People's Dem. Rep., Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Timor-Leste, Tuvalu, Vanuatu.

Latin America and the Caribbean: Bolivia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua, Paraguay.

Who receives an Award?

Awardees must have made a demonstrable impact on the research environment both at a regional and international level and have often overcome great challenges to achieve research excellence.

The competition is judged by a distinguished panel of international scientists chaired by OWSD. The assessment is based on achievements in the relevant field, with particular attention paid both to the nominees' contribution to capacity-building in their region, as well as international impact.



“Winning the Award is both a validation and an encouragement to continue my work. It also gives me the confidence to continue my advocacy and outreach to encourage girls and women to consider STEM careers.”

Dawn Iona Fox, Guyana



Submit a nomination

Award nomination forms can be downloaded from the OWSD website at <https://owsd.net/career-development/awards> and submitted to owsd@owsd.net.

Nominations open each year in June and are closed in September; winners are notified in November.



“Receiving the Award means that my research has an impact in the international scientific community. It will also help me to inspire younger girls to take up a career in physics.”

Germaine Djuidje Kenmoe, Cameroon

