

PRESS COMMUNIQUÉ

The UNESCO/ Emir Jaber al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah Prize To promote Quality Education for Persons with Disabilities

UNESCO is inviting nominations for the 2020 UNESCO/Emir Jaber al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah Prize for Digital Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.

2. Purpose of Prize:

The Prize aims at rewarding the outstanding contributions of individuals and organisations that promote inclusion and the enhancement of the lives of persons with disabilities in society through the effective, innovative and inclusive application of digital solutions

3. The Prize consists of a diploma and a sum of US\$20,000/- for each of two prize winners.

4. Eligibility:

Candidates (individuals and institutions) who promote inclusion of persons with disabilities in society, translating human rights and fundamental freedoms into action, with emphasis on removing barriers to access information and knowledge, as well as learning and participation in society through the effective application of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs).

5. Deadline

The deadline for submission of Application Forms to the Mauritius National Commission for UNESCO is **24 August 2020.**

6. Additional Information

Application form and details regarding the Prize, application procedures and Guidelines, interested applicants are invited to visit the Ministry's website at: **ministry-education.govmu.org**, under the sub heading "***Education Sectors.***"

7. The final selection lies at the level of UNESCO.

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