

Dioscoro L. Umali Achievement Award for Agricultural Development

Honoring excellence and leadership, service and development in Southeast Asia



Dr. Dioscoro L. Umali was an educator, administrator, institution-builder, science statesman, advocate, development luminary, and prime mover of agricultural and rural development in Southeast Asia in his time.

He was the founding director of the Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) and a National Scientist of the Philippines whose scholarship and quest for excellence fueled a vision for a progressive Southeast Asian region.

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The Dioscoro L. Umali (DLU) Achievement Award for Agricultural Development intends to underscore the importance of agricultural development in Southeast Asia by recognizing exemplary individuals who have contributed to its advancement in the region. To be given annually, it comes with a cash prize of US\$10, 000 and a plaque.

The award, launched on 27 November 2007, is a collaboration among the Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA), National Academy of Science and Technology, Philippines (NAST, Philippines), and Dioscoro L. Umali Foundation (DLUF).

Category

The award is for achievement along the full range of agricultural development including, but not limited to, plant and animal sciences, land and water management, environment and natural resource management, technology development, social organization, food security, poverty reduction, economics and business, and policy and governance.

Eligibility

The award is open to living nationals of any Southeast Asian country whose work in the region has resulted in an exceptionally significant positive impact on the development of agriculture and the improvement of the quality of life in rural communities in the region.

Nomination

Only candidates recommended in writing by qualified nominators, accompanied by supporting documentation, shall be considered in the review/selection process.

No current officials of SEARCA, DLUF, and NAST, Philippines may be nominated for the award.

Nominations shall be kept strictly confidential by the nominator and the Selection Committee.

Qualified Nominators

Qualified nominators include past and present Governing Board members of SEARCA; heads of national academies of science and technology in Southeast Asia; past heads of NAST, Philippines, DLUF, and SEARCA; university presidents; heads of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) centers; heads of SEAMEO centers; and other persons and organizations of national, regional or international stature in the field of agricultural and rural development.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS: 31 MAY 2008