



## PROJECT NOTIFICATION

Reference No.: 35

<b>Date of Issue</b>	27 December 2022
<b>Project Code</b>	23-SN-08-GE-AWD-C
<b>Title</b>	APO National Award (AWD)
<b>Timing</b>	1 January 2023–31 December 2023
<b>Hosting Country(ies)</b>	All Member Countries
<b>Venue City(ies)</b>	All Member Countries
<b>Modality</b>	Hybrid In-country
<b>Implementing Organization(s)</b>	National Productivity Organizations (NPOs) and APO Secretariat
<b>Participating Country(ies)</b>	All Member Countries
<b>Overseas Participants</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Local Participants</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Closing Date</b>	31 March 2023
<b>Remarks</b>	Not Applicable

<b>Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recognize a core of deserving productivity champions within APO members</li> <li>- Enhance the role of National Productivity Organizations (NPOs) in spearheading the productivity movement in each member</li> <li>- Raise the visibility of the APO as the leading regional productivity organization</li> </ul>
<b>Rationale</b>	<p>A productivity champion is an individual who can act as a practitioner and leader simultaneously. Champions are also expected to become role models for others in their quest for excellence. Recognizing their achievements will inspire and encourage others to emulate their success. The Award Program is one APO initiative to recognize productivity champions within its members.</p>
<b>Background</b>	<p>The APO Award Program was introduced to recognize individuals with outstanding achievements and contributions in the area of productivity at national and regional levels. It also aims to raise the visibility of the APO as the leading international organization promoting productivity. In 2021, the award procedures and conditions were revised to increase recognition within and outside member economies. The changes include conferring national awards annually and administration by NPOs.</p> <p>The purpose of the changes was to emphasize the role of NPOs as the main bodies for productivity promotion and enhancement. Each NPO manages the APO National Awards, taking the lead in announcing them, setting up selection panels, shortlisting and selecting recipients, organizing conferment ceremonies, and promoting the events nationwide. The APO Secretariat continues to support the program by providing technical assistance in preparation for and conferment of the awards upon the request of NPOs.</p>
<b>Topics</b>	<p>NPOs select two recipients annually in the following categories: APO National Award for Productivity Advocates (policy, strategic thinking, leadership, and management); and APO National Award for Productivity Technical Experts (methodology, tools, and techniques).</p>
<b>Outcome</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Enhanced roles of NPOs as key productivity-promoting institutions in APO members.</li> <li>- Strengthened engagement of all stakeholders through partnerships in implementing the awards.</li> <li>- Raised visibility and strengthened network of productivity champions and leaders in APO members.</li> </ul>
<b>Qualifications</b>	Not Applicable

Please refer to the implementation procedures circulated with this document for further details.



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