



## PROJECT NOTIFICATION

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<b>Date of Issue</b>	18 January 2024
<b>Project Code</b>	24-SN-08-GE-AWD-C
<b>Title</b>	APO National Awards (AWD)
<b>Timing</b>	1 January 2024–31 December 2024
<b>Hosting Country(ies)</b>	All Member Countries
<b>Venue City(ies)</b>	All Member Countries
<b>Modality</b>	Hybrid
<b>Implementing Organization(s)</b>	National Productivity Organizations 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 2024
<b>Remarks</b>	Not Applicable

<b>Objectives</b>	Recognize a core of deserving productivity champions within APO members; enhance the role of National Productivity Organizations (NPOs) in spearheading the productivity movement in each member; and raise the visibility of the APO as the leading regional productivity organization.
<b>Rationale</b>	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.
<b>Background</b>	<p>The APO Award Program was introduced more than four decades ago 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.</p> <p>After revision in the national award procedures and conditions in 2021, NPOs were empowered to confer awards annually. The revised program increased recognition of NPOs within member economies as the main bodies for productivity promotion and enhancement.</p> <p>Each NPO manages the APO National Awards by 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>	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).
<b>Outcome</b>	Enhanced roles of NPOs as key productivity-promoting institutions in APO members; expanded engagement of all stakeholders through partnerships in implementing the awards; and raised visibility and strengthened networks of productivity champions and leaders in APO members.
<b>Qualifications</b>	Not applicable.

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



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