Call for Nominations

Health Systems Global and the Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research are pleased to announce the call for nominations for the 2016 Societal Awards.

These Societal Awards were established by the Board of Health Systems Global (HSG) in close cooperation with the Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research (AHPSR) to recognize and reward high standards of professional performance and contributions of individuals or organizations to the field of health policy and systems research and health systems strengthening. Nominations are invited for three types of awards to be submitted on or before the deadline - 17:00 GMT on 30 September 2016.

1. The Sam Adjei Distinguished Public Service Award for Leadership in Evidence-based Policy and Health Systems Strengthening is presented to recognize and honor an individual who has demonstrated leadership in evidence-informed health policy formulation for stronger health systems, has championed the field of health policy and systems research within his or her particular context, or has made significant contributions to the enhancement of health systems in the national and/or international sphere. The recipient has to be an individual currently or previously in an elected or appointed position in government, an international agency or other non-profit organization engaged in public service.

2. The Award for Lifetime Service to the Field of HPSR is presented to an individual in recognition of extraordinary lifetime achievement in the field of health policy and systems research;

3. The Award for the Promotion of Health Policy and Systems Research is presented to a person, or a group of individuals, or an organization in recognition for extraordinary work that contributes to advancing/advocating the field of HPSR and making knowledge about HPSR accessible to a broad audience. There will be an equal focus on the importance of reaching audiences within as well as outside the HPSR scientific community

The awards do not carry any monetary value but serve to recognize and celebrate extraordinary contributions.

Review Committee

Nominations will be reviewed and selected by the Awards Committee. The committee comprises members from various professional levels and disciplinary areas appointed by HSG and the AHPSR.

Announcement of Awards

The Award Committee will announce the award during the Global Symposia in Vancouver and on the HSG and AHPSR website. If the submission pool does not meet the criteria standards, the award(s) will not be given in that cycle, and nominations will again be taken in two years' time.
Criteria for Nominators

To submit a nomination for any of these awards, nominating individuals need to be members of HSG (except for the Award for the promotion of HPSR). HSG membership can be secured by visiting the HSG website [here](#).

The nomination should include:

- a) The Award Nomination Form available from [Attached to this document below and on the website](#)
- b) A letter detailing the rationale behind the nomination
- c) Two letters of recommendations from different individuals (not necessarily HSG members)
- d) A CV of the nominated candidate or information about the group or organization nominated (where applicable).

In addition to the above documents, when nominating an individual or organization for, the Award for the Promotion of HPSR, nominations may be made by an author or user of the material. In all cases, nominations should include a description of how the individual, group or organization contributed to the promotion of HPSR, including what were the achievements and impact. All nomination entries should be accompanied by supporting documents (electronically/otherwise) used for HPSR promotion. All supporting documents or materials should be produced after 2013.

Nominations must be received by the deadline – 17:00 GMT on 30 September 2016. All submissions should be sent electronically to the HSG secretariat email: [hsg_secretariat@curatio.com](mailto:hsg_secretariat@curatio.com)

Criteria for Nominees

The awards are limited to living individuals. Nominees and award recipients are not required to be a member of HSG.

The awards will be based on the following criteria:

The criteria for each award are different and the nominated candidates will be evaluated accordingly:

**Sam Adjei Distinguished Public Service Award for leadership in evidence-based policy and health systems strengthening:**

- a) their leadership of initiatives to strengthen health policy or systems in their particular context
- b) their application of health policy or systems research evidence to health systems strengthening or policy reforms
- c) their encouragement of linkages between the research, and policy or practice communities and
- d) the significance of their work for population health.

Nominees need to have outstanding achievements in at least one area and demonstrate excellence in one or more additional areas listed above.

**Award for Lifetime Service to the Field of HPSR**

- a) their notable original research and/or conceptual and theoretical contributions in the field of HPSR and/or
- b) for leadership in the promotion, utilization or mainstreaming of HPSR and/or
- c) for outstanding leadership as an educator and/or mentor in the field of HPSR.
Nominees need not excel across all of these criteria but need to demonstrate excellence in at least one of these capacities.

**Award for the Promotion of Health Policy and Systems Research**

The Award Committee will consider such factors as the nominee’s involvement in public outreach initiatives; development or expansion of ideas, materials, and/or resources necessary for broadening the audience for and utilization of HPSR, among diverse constituencies. The activities may be national, regional or international. The committee will base its decision on:

a) excellence in the promotion of HPSR to diverse non-scientific and scientific constituencies or
b) utilization and appreciation of the work of the nominees by diverse non-scientific and scientific constituencies

Please direct any questions regarding the nomination process to [hsg_secretariat@curatio.com](mailto:hsg_secretariat@curatio.com)

**Make your nominations today! Closing date 30 September 2016 by 17H00 GMT**
# Award Nomination Form

**Nomination For**

*(Name of Award)*

**Due Date:**

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Signature of Nominator: ___________________________  Date: _______________________________

Please attach a full letter of recommendation, including a narrative summary of about 1,000 words of accomplishments in the field based on the evaluation criteria for a given award. Relevant literature and endorsements need to be attached, (no more than 2 letters of support) as well as evidence that the candidate is held in high esteem by his/her peers.

Send nomination form and supporting documents (in PDF or DOC format) by 17H00 on 30 September 2016 to:

**hsg_secretariat@curatio.com**