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UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA  
AND THE PACIFIC-SASAKAWA AWARD FOR DISABILITY-INCLUSIVE  
BUSINESS IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC 2013

The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) invites nominees to the *ESCAP-Sasakawa Award for Disability-Inclusive Business in Asia and the Pacific 2013*.

The Award aims to:

1. publicly recognize and reward businesses that demonstrate good practices in responding to the needs of persons with disabilities (PWDs) in their business operations;
2. raise awareness regarding the opportunities available to the private sector for inclusion of PWDs in businesses; and
3. catalyze Asia-Pacific leadership in disability-inclusive business.

The Award is open to commercial enterprises that demonstrate excellence and innovation in the delivery of disability-inclusive business practices and are based, or have regional operations, in any of 58 countries and territories within the ESCAP region. Recognition will be given to excellence and innovation in the following three categories:

1. Disability-inclusive multinational enterprises;
2. Disability-inclusive enterprises at the national level; and
3. Disability-inclusive entrepreneurial businesses.

The winners will receive public recognition for excellence and innovation in the field of disability-inclusive business. Moreover, the winner of the entrepreneurial category will receive a grant in the range of US\$ 50,000.00-US\$ 100,000.00.

All nominations should be done online through the ESCAP-Sasakawa Award website: [www.di-business-award.com](http://www.di-business-award.com). The deadline for submission of nominations and applications to the ESCAP Secretariat is on *August 19, 2013*.

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