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### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE ASEAN PRIZE 2023

The Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) announced that the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) has launched the call for nominations for outstanding individuals and organizations to the ASEAN Prize 2023.

In its 6th edition this year, the ASEAN Prize continues to celebrate persons and organizations whose determination and perseverance have progressively driven the region towards harmony and sustainable development while, at the same time, forging a stronger ASEAN identity. The incumbent Secretary-General of ASEAN Kao Kim Hourn will chair the ASEAN Prize Judging Committee Meeting this year, together with the former ASEAN Secretaries-General.

To qualify as the Philippines' candidate, the nominee must either be a Filipino citizen, or an organization organized by the Philippines. The nominee must show verifiable achievements in promoting intra-ASEAN collaboration and its impact on ASEAN. The nominee should also share future initiatives for the continuance of the work after winning the Prize. Additionally, the submission must be supported by one character reference attesting to the nominee's suitability to receive the ASEAN Prize.

ASEAN Prize welcomes any area of achievement under one of the three ASEAN Community Pillars namely, political-security, economic, and socio-cultural. The foremost thing to highlight is that the nominee has provided commendable contribution towards the promotion of intra-ASEAN collaboration and is able to account for the work reported.

The call for nomination is open from February 20 to April 28, 2023. Nominations shall be submitted to ASEAN Member States' National Focal Points. The official nomination form can be downloaded from <https://asean.org/nomination-form/>.

More details and clarifications on the criteria and selection process of the Prize can be found through their official website: <https://asean.org/asean-prize/>.

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