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Nelson Mandela-Graça Machel Innovation Awards Application Form

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The Awards are open to any individual, organisation or group that meets the following eligibility criteria:

Is your innovation a product, service or process that creates value and has the potential to make a difference for the better in your community?

Yes

No

Does your innovation, whether a product, service, or process, protect or expand civic space by promoting and defending freedom of peaceful assembly, freedom of association, or freedom of expression?

Yes

No

Does your innovation help build community and/or promote social justice?

Yes

No

Are you over the age of 18 at the time of applying?

Yes

No

For Individual applicants: Do you belong to an organisation, movement, network or change-seeking community that would ultimately benefit from the award?

Yes

No

Not Applicable

Should your application be successful, are you available to travel for a fully-funded Innovation Convening in late May 2025?

Yes

No

Should your application be successful, are you available to attend CIVICUS' International Civil Society Week, 1 - 5 November 2025, in Bangkok? This trip is fully-funded.

Yes

No

Are you or someone in your team in possession of a valid passport?

Yes

No

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

Alternative Contact (Email address or phone number)

Your role in the organisation (optional)

Name of your Organisation/Collective/Movement (optional)

Organisation LinkedIn/Social Media profile (optional)

Please provide a short description of your core work.

150 words

Please select your country

What languages do you primarily use in your work / with your community?

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Title of Innovation/Project

In which field or sector does your innovation aim to make an impact?

(e.g., Technology, Healthcare, Environment, etc.)

Please tell us more about your Innovation (max 500 words)

500 words

At what stage of development is your innovation?

▼
Idea
Prototype
Ready to Launch
Existing innovation that requires support

How many people are involved in the innovation?

What are your roles in creating the innovation?

Who is the intended target group?

Please describe the potential impact of your innovation or the impact thus far.

How long have you been working on your innovation?

Are you applying as an individual or as part of a cohort/group?

▼
Individual
Cohort/Group

Which of the NMGM Innovation Award categories would you like to be considered under?

Individual Award

Youth Award

Organisation Award

Brave Philanthropy Award

Community Award

We genuinely look forward to seeing the innovative ideas you have to share. However, due to the high volume of applications, we are unable to spend extensive time on each review. Please submit a video (approximately 3 minutes) or a presentation document. We recommend that you share existing materials rather than creating new ones specifically for this application.

Please share a video or presentation describing your innovation. (optional)



Please share any Patents or Intellectual Property considerations. (optional)

How did you hear about the Nelson Mandela-Graça Machel Innovation Awards?

Is there anything else you would like us to know? (optional)

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