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From: Secretary for Public Service

To : Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND) International Prize

The Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND) International Prize for Pioneering Human Development Projects is an annual prize established in 1999 by the AGFUND, with the aim of inciting and encouraging innovation and creativity in human development work.

- 2. The AGFUND is inviting international and regional organisations, ministries and public institutions, social business enterprises, national NGOs, individual and all development actors worldwide to submit projects for the 2018 AGFUND International Prize. The project should contribute in the achievement of the first goal of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 2030 and is entitled "End of poverty in all its forms everywhere".
- 3. The AGFUND Prize carries an amount of USD 1,000,000 (one million) divided into four categories as follows:-

First category prize : USD 400,000 > Projects that are funded, designed and implemented by UN Development Agencies or international and regional NGOs.

Second category prize : USD 300,000 > Projects that are funded, designed and implemented by national NGOs.

Third category prize : USD 200,000 > Projects that are funded, designed and implemented by government ministries and public institutions or social business enterprises.

Fourth category prize : USD 100,000 > Projects that are initiated, funded and/or implemented by individuals.

All winners will be offered Certificates of Recognition and trophies.



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- 4. The nominated projects will be evaluated by an International team of experts selected on the basis of their international experience in development projects and their knowledge of the theme.
- 5. Eligible nominations of all categories will be evaluated according to specific criteria based on elements of creativity in the project, the efficiency and effectiveness of its management as well as on its impact. In addition, the evaluation will be conducted on the basis of the information provided in the Nomination Form, all supporting documents and field visits to the project site, if needed.
- 6. Information regarding conditions of participation, criteria for evaluation of submissions can be accessed on the following website htpp://agfund.org/. Application must be made online through the following link: http://agfund.org/media-center/gallery/agfund-prize/agfund-prize/nomination-form/, and a copy of the submission should be forwarded to this Ministry on mcsa-aru@govmu.org. The deadline for the submission of nominations is 30 November 2018. Any additional queries can be addressed to rewards@agfund.org. All participation costs are to be borne by the participating organisation.
- 7. Supervising Officers are requested to bring the contents of this Circular Letter to the attention of all Heads of Divisions/Units of their Ministry/Department, including Chief Executives of Parastatal Bodies falling under their purview as well as those in Local Authorities.

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