

# 2018 Japan International Award for Young Agricultural Researchers (Japan Award)

## Call for Nominations

This annual award, which began in 2007, is organized and presented by the Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Council (AFFRC), the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) of Japan and supported by Japan International Research Center for Agricultural Sciences (JIRCAS).

Those who have shown outstanding performance in research and development, or those who have shown outstanding achievements in research and development that will lead to future technological innovation, in agriculture, forestry, fisheries or related industries for a developing region and who show great promise will be commended with the Award.

### ◎ Eligibility

Candidates:

1. Should be researchers who have the nationality of developing countries and/or territories, and belong to a non-Japanese research institute or a non-Japanese university
2. Should be under the age of 40 (as of January 1, 2018)
3. Should be engaged in research and development in agriculture, forestry, fisheries and related industries in developing regions
4. Must be able to attend the commendation ceremony on November 6, 2018.

### ◎ Award

Up to three researchers who have shown outstanding performance or achievements will be invited to Japan and awarded a testimonial by the Chairman of the AFFRC. They will also receive a cash prize of US\$5,000 each from JIRCAS (MOTAI\*-JIRCAS Award).

\* Mr. Shigeru MOTAI, former Chairman of the AFFRC and former Vice-Minister of MAFF, is the donor of this award.

### Application

For application forms and application guidelines, please see the site below. We look forward to receiving many applications.

**Application period :**  
**March 15 (Thu.) ~ May 18 (Fri.), 2018**

※Applications must be submitted by a recommending institute. Only one researcher can be recommended from each institute, including its branches.

[https://www.jircas.go.jp/en/young\\_award/2018](https://www.jircas.go.jp/en/young_award/2018)  
(JIRCAS Website)



(Photo:  
The commendation  
ceremony in 2017)

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