

World Council of Credit Unions

Distinguished Service Award

Nomination Criteria



Michael Koisen, President of the Papua New Guinea Federation of Savings & Loan Societies, Chairman of the Oceanic Confederation of Credit Union Leagues and Director of the Association of Asian Confederation of Credit Unions, accepted his 2014 Distinguished Service Award from Grzegorz Bierecki, World Council chair.



Melvin Edwards, former chair of the Caribbean Confederation of Credit Unions and World Council, received the 2013 Distinguished Service Award.

The **Distinguished Service Award (DSA)** is the international credit union system's highest honor, first presented by World Council in 1986 to recognize member organizations and individuals for their outstanding contributions to credit union development outside their home country.

The 2015 DSA will be presented during the **World Credit Union Conference, July 12–15, in Denver, Colorado, USA**. World Council member organizations may submit nominations in the following categories:

DSA Individual:

Women and men who have provided exemplary service to the international credit union movement and have positively influenced credit union development outside their home country qualify for the individual category.

DSA Institutional:

Organizations that have provided financial and technical assistance over an extended period of time to develop international credit union movements and their service infrastructure may be nominated in the institutional category.

DSA nominations are due by March 9, 2015, to:

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NOMINATION CRITERIA

The World Council awards committee reviews all nominations and selects the DSA recipients. Individuals nominated for the award should demonstrate some or all of the following:

- Personal history of commitment to international credit union development outside the nominee's home country.
- A record of technical service to the development of other credit union movements beyond their own national boundaries.
- Ongoing institutional development by playing a leading role in advancing World Council.
- Ability to locate and mobilize resources needed by World Council and its affiliates to establish strong credit union movements wherever they are sought.

No more than three (3) individual awards may be granted each year.

Institutions nominated for the DSA must meet the following qualifications:

- Ongoing commitment to international credit union development for more than three years.
- Technical assistance provided beyond the nominee's borders has led to measurable results within the region receiving it and has an ongoing history following the end of the period of assistance.
- The range of programs funded has led to concrete changes and development as anticipated beyond their borders.

No more than one (1) institutional award may be granted each year.

Previously nominated individuals or institutions that have not been selected may resubmit their candidature for consideration with updated documentation. Only World Council member organizations may make DSA nominations.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

DSA nominations are due **Monday, March 9, 2015**. To nominate a candidate please submit the items listed below in the nomination checklist.

NOMINATION CHECKLIST

- Completed nomination form
- Board resolution from the nominating organization approving the nomination
- If nominated by an affiliate of a World Council member organization, the affiliate must also present an endorsement by its member organization
- For individuals, a curriculum vitae/resume
- For individuals, a color photograph of the nominee (professional quality headshot)
- For institutions, a color logo (preferably in an .eps file format)
- Additional supporting documentation (e.g., 15–20 photos from the nominee's international work, articles, other awards received, etc.)

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NOTIFICATIONS

The World Council awards committee will notify nominees by April 20, 2015, whether or not they have been selected as winners. World Council will provide the DSA recipient with a complimentary conference registration and one companion registration for the World Credit Union Conference in Denver.

AWARD PRESENTATION

World Council will present DSA winners with their award on July 15, 2015, in Denver, USA, during the World Credit Union Conference awards ceremony.