

## GLOBAL PRIX MONDIAL DU PLURALISME

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## Champions of pluralism are now more important than ever Global Pluralism Award submissions are being accepted through to June 30

**Ottawa, Canada, April 15, 2020** – Given the unprecedented crisis of COVID-19 and the disruptions and uncertainty it has caused for so many organizations and individuals, the deadline for submissions to the <u>Global Pluralism Award</u> is now extended to June 30, 2020.

The Award, presented by the <u>Global Centre for Pluralism</u>, recognizes and supports individuals, corporations, academics, civil society and governments from around the world that are working in creative and high-impact ways to build societies where everyone belongs. Three winners are chosen by an independent, international Jury chaired by the Rt. Hon. Joe Clark, former Prime Minister of Canada to share a prize pool totalling \$150,000 CAD. The Centre seeks to amplify the winners' work with media opportunities, new partnerships, mentorship and other supports.

"Amidst the current global health crisis, and global inequalities it is surfacing, the work of pluralism needs to be recognized and supported more than ever. By extending the deadline, we want to help candidates from the most affected countries and regions complete their submissions for the 2021 Award. We also hope to receive submissions from some of the incredibly inspiring initiatives that have emerged in these times of isolation to build community connections and tackle exclusion," said **Meredith Preston McGhie**, Secretary General of the Global Centre for Pluralism.

The Global Pluralism Award is an initiative of the Global Centre for Pluralism. Founded in Ottawa by His Highness the Aga Khan in partnership with the Government of Canada, the Centre was created to advance positive responses to the challenge of living peacefully and productively together in diverse societies.

Following a thorough selection and due diligence process, winners will be announced in the fall of 2021.

Nominate a recipient or apply directly at award.pluralism.ca until June 30, 2020.

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