



Call for Nominations Sarphati Sanitation Award 2013

THE SARPHATI SANITATION AWARD

The Sarphati Sanitation Award is a biennial international award honouring the outstanding contribution of an individual or organisation to the global sanitation and public health challenge through entrepreneurship. The first Sarphati Sanitation Award will be presented on 5 November 2013 during the International Water Week in Amsterdam.

A person or an organization will be awarded the Sarphati Sanitation Award for a significant contribution to creating sustainable solutions in the field of sanitation and public health, preferably through entrepreneurship.

The Sarphati Sanitation Award will be bestowed by the mayor of Amsterdam, Mr Eberhart van der Laan, who is the honorary chairman of the award jury. The Sarphati Sanitation laureate will be presented with an award certificate, a figurine designed by the **Dutch artist Marte Röling** and a cash prize of 50,000 euros, sponsored by World Waternet (www.worldwaternet.com) and Aqua for All (www.aquaforall.nl).

The Sarphati Sanitation Award is an initiative of the Municipality of Amsterdam, Aqua for All and the Netherlands Water Partnership, and is endorsed by the Dutch Government.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

World Waternet and Aqua for All are calling for nominations for the Sarphati Sanitation Award 2013. Nominations must be made by qualified parties, such as leaders of international water companies or water utilities, eminent academics in the field of water research, policy and management, heads of international organisations, members of government, or distinguished individuals in the water and sanitation field.

Nominations must conform with the Nomination Guidelines and be submitted using the Nomination Form. A jury of three highly esteemed specialists in the field of water and sanitation will evaluate all submitted nominations and choose the prize winner.

The closing date for nominations is **15 September 2013**

For more information, visit
www.internationalwaterweek.com
or email the Sarphati Sanitation Award Secretariat:
sarphatisanitationaward@waternet.nl

SAMUEL SARPHATI

Samuel Sarphati (1813–66) was a general practitioner in Amsterdam. During his work as a doctor, Sarphati encountered the bad hygiene among the poor in Amsterdam. His compassion for his patients led him to initiate various entrepreneurial projects to improve the quality of life in the city and the health of its inhabitants. These projects included a refuse collection service and a bread factory that produced wholesome, affordable bread. He understood that improving sanitation was key to improving the public health situation.



Collection Jewish Historical Museum, Amsterdam,
The Netherlands (collection J. van Velzen).

In 1847, Sarphati linked the public and the private sector by establishing a company that collected the human waste of the city dwellers. Faeces and urine were transformed into manure for the agricultural sector. Both the city and the rural areas around it benefitted tremendously from this initiative.

BACKGROUND

According to Progress on Sanitation and Drinking-Water 2013 update – a report issued by the WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme for Water Supply and Sanitation – the world has achieved the Millennium Development Goal (MDG) of halving the proportion of people without sustainable access to safe drinking water, well in advance of the MDG 2015 deadline.

The same report states that the world is still far from achieving the MDG target for sanitation, and is unlikely to do so by 2015. Only 64% of the world now has improved sanitation access, a figure that is projected to increase to only 67% by 2015, well below the 75% target laid down in the MDGs. Some 2.5 billion people still lack improved sanitation.

The major challenge now is to boost attention to and capacity, innovation and investment in the field of sanitation and public health in order to achieve the DG targets for 2015. It is evident that long-term attention and engagement is needed to provide the global population with access to clean and adequate sanitation. The Sarphati Sanitation Award aims to encourage this engagement.

SARPHATI SANITATION AWARD CRITERIA

The Sarphati nominees will be judged according to the five criteria listed below.

- » The nominee has an outstanding track record in the field of sanitation and the Sarphati Sanitation Award will increase his or her impact in that field.
- » The nominee inspires new generations to become involved in finding sustainable solutions to the sanitation challenge.
- » The nominee has proven experience in linking different partners from the public and the private sector in the quest to improve the sanitation situation.
- » The nominee has contributed to ground-breaking innovations in the field of sanitation related to public health, preferably through an entrepreneurial and multi-sectoral approach.
- » The nominee's work has contributed or is expected to contribute to achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

Nomination Form

I. TYPE OF NOMINEE

Please indicate one of the following:

☐ individual(s), proceed to Section II

☐ institution or organisation, proceed to Section III

II. NOMINEE (INDIVIDUAL)

Name of nominee:

Title and profession:

Place of employment:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

III. NOMINEE (INSTITUTION OR ORGANISATION)

Name of institution or organization:

Contact person:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Website:

Additional information (government, NGO, private sector, research institute, etc.):

IV. NOMINATOR

Name (individual or organisation):

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Other contact information:

V. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Please refer to the Nomination Guidelines for details.

☐ Write up

☐ Summary

☐ Referees

☐ Supporting documents

☐ Other

This form and the accompanying documents must reach the following address by 15 September 2013:

sarphatisanitationaward@waternet.nl

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NOMINATION GUIDELINES

1. The Sarphati Sanitation Award is a new, international award that will be given to recognise an individual or organisation for outstanding contributions to solving the world's sanitation and public health problems through social entrepreneurship. The award will be presented during International Water Week Amsterdam. In 2013, the Water Week will be held on 4–8 November in Amsterdam.
2. The submission of nominations for the Sarphati Sanitation Award follows a strict process. Nominations are accepted only from qualified nominators, that is:
 - » Water industry or water utilities leaders
 - » Leading academics in the field of water research, policy and management
 - » Heads of international organisations
 - » Members of government
 - » Individuals deemed fit by the Sarphati Sanitation Award jury.
3. Self-nominations and nominations by family members of nominees will not be accepted. 'Self-nomination' includes nomination by an individual from the same organisation as the nominee.
4. All nominations will be examined by the Sarphati Sanitation Award jury. Its members include leaders of water companies and distinguished academics in the field of water.
5. Nominations for the Sarphati Sanitation Award 2013 open on 15 June 2013. All nominations must be received by the Sarphati Sanitation Award secretariat by **15 September 2013**.
6. The official nomination form and all accompanying materials must be submitted in English. Information about the nominee and the nominator should be provided as accurately as possible on the nomination form.
7. Submissions must comprise a completed nomination form and:
 - a. A detailed description of the nature of the nominee's activities that contribute to solving problems in sanitation and public health through social entrepreneurship. The description should clearly highlight the role of the nominee in delivering wide-scale benefits to society through the effective implementation of a novel policy/programme in the field of sanitation and public health through social entrepreneurship. The description should not exceed three single-spaced pages typed in a 12-point font.
 - b. A summary not exceeding 150 words of the nominee's achievements in terms of their relevance to the Sarphati Sanitation Award.
 - c. Names and contact information (e.g. email, telephone, fax, post address) of two to five referees who are familiar with but not directly involved in the work of the nominee.
 - d. Additional supporting documents such as articles, curriculum vitae, background information about the organisation, publications, reports, videos, testimonials or any other material that provides relevant support to the nomination. Where possible, please submit softcopies.
8. The completed nomination documents should be emailed to the Sarphati Sanitation Award Secretariat:
sarphatisanitationaward@waternet.nl
9. For additional information about the Sarphati Sanitation Award, please email:
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10. The nominees will be invited to the International Water Week Amsterdam in November 2013, where the jury will announce the winner.