



## **What is the Tällberg-SNF-Eliasson Global Leadership Prize?**

The Prize is awarded annually to outstanding leaders who demonstrate the willingness and capacity to address the complexity of 21st-century challenges in innovative, risk-taking, and ethical ways, and whose work is global in aspiration or implication and is rooted in universal values. Great leadership is not bound by geography or discipline. Prize winners are honored not only for what they have already accomplished but for their commitment and capacity to continue seeking the kinds of positive change our societies demand.

Throughout the years, many high potential, rising leaders from around the world have been nominated for the Prize but were deemed to be too early on their leadership path to receive the award. However, these women and men are likely to shape the future; their evolution as leaders can and must be recognized and encouraged. In that spirit, in 2021 we are reconfiguring the Prize to recognize established as well as emerging leadership:

- We will award two Prizes for established leaders whose track record of accomplishments is substantial and who, in the jury's judgement, are likely to continue to make important, positive contributions in their chosen field. Each of these awards will carry a \$50,000 honorarium.
- We will award two Prizes for rising leaders who have already demonstrated high potential and capacity, but the bulk of whose accomplishments are likely to be in the future. Each of these awards will carry a \$25,000 honorarium.

Of course, all leaders who are honored will meet the core criteria of the Prize.



## **What is the origin of the name?**

In 2015 we named the Prize in honor of Jan Eliasson—Swedish diplomat, former U.N. Deputy Secretary-General, and the epitome of a global action-oriented thinker. This year we added “SNF” to the Prize name to recognize the tremendous support that the Tällberg Foundation receives from the Stavros Niarchos Foundation. Under the leadership of Co-President Andreas Dracopoulos, SNF has become one of the most dynamic and innovative global philanthropic organizations—one that uses its resources and imagination to promote positive global change. We are incredibly proud of the opportunity to collaborate in that effort.

## **Who is eligible for the Prize?**

Anyone, anywhere. Candidates are nominated through an open, online process and ultimately selected by a jury of international leaders. This year the nomination process begins on March 29 and will end on May 24. Anyone, anywhere—except for prize jurors—may nominate. Nominations are submitted through the Tällberg-SNF-Eliasson Global Leadership Prize website: [www.tallberg-snf-eliasson-prize.org](http://www.tallberg-snf-eliasson-prize.org).

## **How are the winners selected?**

Once the nominations are submitted, they will be reviewed, researched, and judged by Tällberg staff and a pre-jury of global leaders; the process is designed to define a pool of nominations for consideration by the full jury. The Tällberg-SNF-Eliasson Global Leadership Jury is composed of leaders from different countries, disciplines, experiences and backgrounds. Ultimately, they consider scores of nominations and select winners. That selection process entails successive rounds of secret balloting,



which means that all jurors have equal weight in the selection process. In effect, each year's jury defines its own criteria, and every nominee is judged individually.

**When are the winners announced?**

The jury will complete its deliberations in September, winners will be announced in November and celebrated in early December, 2021.

**Why did the foundation establish the Tällberg-SNF-Eliasson Global Leadership Prize?**

The Foundation's board believes that many societies, as well as the global system, are at or approaching inflection points. Institutions, paradigms, and societal norms are under enormous pressure to change, but old habits die hard, even if they no longer are adequate to deal with new realities. That puts great value on courageous leaders and innovative leadership.

The Tällberg Foundation aspires to identify, reward, and thereby promote leaders and leadership behaviors that have the potential to produce positive change in the face of significant resistance.

The current form and format of the Tällberg-SNF-Eliasson Global Leadership Prize was established in 2015; however, the Tällberg Foundation has been recognizing principled global leadership since 2005.

**How is the prize funded?**

The Stavros Niarchos Foundation (SNF) is one of the world's leading private, international philanthropic organizations, making grants to nonprofit organizations in



the areas of arts and culture, education, health and sports, and social welfare. SNF funds organizations and projects worldwide that aim to achieve a broad, lasting, and positive impact for society at large, and exhibit strong leadership and sound management. The Foundation also supports projects that facilitate the formation of public-private partnerships as an effective means for serving public welfare.

Since 1996, the Foundation has committed more than \$3.1 billion through more than 4,900 grants to nonprofit organizations in more than 130 nations around the world.

Learn more at [SNF.org](https://snf.org).

### **How can I find more information?**

Information and nomination materials are at the Tällberg-SNF-Eliasson Global Leadership Prize website: [www.tallberg-snf-eliasson-prize.org](https://www.tallberg-snf-eliasson-prize.org). In addition, contact [prize@tallbergfoundation.org](mailto:prize@tallbergfoundation.org).