



# **Global Development Awards Competition 2019**

Recognizing excellence in policy-oriented research

## KEY FACTS

- Running **since 2000**
- **Launched by GDN** with the **generous support from the Ministry of Finance, Government of Japan**
- Roughly **US\$ 4 million in research and project grants**
- Nearly **8,800 researchers and development practitioners** from developing countries and transition countries have participated
- **More than 200 awards** have been conferred

The Awards Competition is GDN's largest and oldest running program, and one of the most important annual competition bridging research and projects for development

# EVALUATION PROCESS

## 1. **Eligibility screening** by GDN

- 53 proposals, out of 102 submissions from 32 countries, were eligible (incomplete, did not follow the application procedure or were out of scope submissions were removed)

## 2. **First Level review** by young researchers

- 17 proposals (selected and feedback was sent to the shortlisted applicants with an opportunity to revise their proposal)

## 3. **Second Level review** by senior researchers

- 3 finalists, one per topic

## 4. **Selection of winners**

- After a training in communication, finalists present at the conference

## EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Substantive **contribution of the research** to a particular aspect of development
- **Innovativeness** of the research topic and the methodology
- **Academic quality**
- **Clarity and significance of the policy implications** for addressing specific development issues
- Composition of the **team** and **the cost-effectiveness** of the budget proposed
- **Quality of the presentation**

## JURY

- **Chair - Patrick Guillamont**
  - President, Foundation for studies and Research on International Development (FERDI)
- **Shanta Devarajan**
  - Professor of the Practice of Development at Georgetown University's Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, USA
- **Charlotte Galloway**
  - Director of the Myanmar Research Center at the Australian National University, Australia
- **Izumi Ohno**
  - Director of Japan International Cooperation Agency Research Institute (JICA), Japan
- **John Young**
  - Executive Director of the International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications (INASP), UK