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## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

#### THE 2026 KATHERINE A. KENDALL MEMORIAL AWARD

Nominations are invited for the Prestigious Katherine A. Kendall Memorial Award for distinguished contribution to the development of social work education internationally. The nominee can come from any region of the world and may or may not be a member of IASSW. The biography of the nominee must match the required criteria.

The award will be presented to the recipient during the virtual Joint World Conference on Social Work Education and Social Development in June 2026.

#### The Katherine A. Kendall Memorial Award

The Katherine A. Kendall Memorial Award was introduced in 1992 to honour the late IASSW Honorary President, Dr. Katherine A. Kendall. She served as voluntary secretary from 1954 to 1971 and Secretary-General of IASSW from 1971 to 1978. Dr. Kendall remained an active board member after her retirement and was active in the IASSW for more than five decades. Dr. Kendall played a significant role in promoting excellence in social work education and in the expansion of social work internationally. She provided strong leadership in the formation of regional organisations within IASSW, acknowledging the importance of indigenous curriculum development, and the diversity of local contexts. For more details, please see <a href="https://ejournals.bib.uni-wuppertal.de/index.php/sws/article/view/109">https://ejournals.bib.uni-wuppertal.de/index.php/sws/article/view/109</a>

The intention of the award, which is made biennially, is to acknowledge significant contributions to the development of social work education at the international level.

An international committee comprising of the Regional Vice-Presidents and a Chair of the Committee appointed by the IASSW President and representatives from the CSWE Kendall Institute reviews nominees for the award and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors, which makes the final decision.

### Brief Summary of the Nomination Process:

Each nomination which must be sent to the chair of the Committee should be accompanied by the following supporting materials:

- The CV of the nominee (this should provide evidence of the impact of the nominee's work on social work education at the educational level and how this was achieved).
- A letter explaining how the candidate meets the criteria for the award.
- The names and addresses (including email, fax, telephone number) of two persons who would act as referees for the nominee).

Nominations should be submitted to the chair of the Committee Halaevalu Vakalahi by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 via hvakalahi@cswe.org and copied to IASSW secretary Janestic Twikirize janestic@iassw-aiets.org