



## *APPLY FOR AN AWARD*

AFRINIC's Fund for Internet Research and Education –  
FIRE Programme

The African Network Information Center – AFRINIC  
announces the call for entries for the **2014 FIRE  
Awards**.

The Fund for Internet Research and Education (FIRE)  
aims at encouraging ICT development innovations that  
contribute to sustainable development in Africa.

The FIRE programme Awards is granted to initiatives already completed or in their final implementation phase and that are aligned with the three funding categories:

- 1. Innovation on Access provision:** fostering ICT growth in Africa by ensuring that the delivery mechanism is available, reliable and scalable;
- 2. E-development:** the development, deployment and enhancement of content, applications and solutions.
- 3. Freedom of Expression:** initiatives related to freedom of expression, freedom of association, privacy, security, consumer's rights, new forms of intellectual property in the digital environment, and a wider range of issues related to Internet and human rights.

The FIRE Programme invites African organisations, entrepreneurs and innovators to propose projects under one of three categories.

**The registration deadline for the 2014 Awards has been set  
for 31 March 2014.**