



## GUIDELINES

The award is presented to individuals, organizations, movements, and informal groups who work with outstanding civic commitment for the promotion and the defense of human rights. Human rights include the social, cultural, and economic rights as well as the right to work, for fair working conditions, health, education and habitat.

The Human Rights Award of Operation Daywork will honor any courageous efforts to defend human rights abuses. The prize is not only an appreciation of the personal commitment of the winner but will also raise awareness on topics related with the violation of human rights, the risk run by human rights defenders, helping them through international attention, as well as to encourage others to get involved in standing up for human rights.

### Who are we?

Operation Daywork (OD) is a project of the Youth Center Papperlapapp formed by high school students from South Tyrol. The main objective of OD is to raise awareness in high school education on issues such as North-South relations, globalization, poverty and underdevelopment, global climate change and environmental pollution, human rights, and sustainable development models. Through the awareness campaign and the Action Day, OD promotes activism of the youngsters and international solidarity. Since 2007, every year hundreds of students work voluntarily at the OD Action Day to support the winner of the HR Award, elected by the OD General Assembly.

## OPERATION DAYWORK HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD 2024/2025

### Nomination, preselection and jury

Nominations for the award must be sent to Operation Daywork **by 12<sup>th</sup> of May 2024 (midnight)** using the [NOMINATION FORM](#).

The OD Council (formed by students) will pre-select the received nominations. There is a maximum of 3 candidates admitted to OD General Assembly, that will take place on **24<sup>th</sup> of May 2024**. The candidates and / or their proposer will be invited to participate at the General Assembly to present themselves and their projects.

The OD General Assembly, consisting solely of students of high schools, will elect the winner of the human rights award 2024/2025.

### Prize

The prize consists of the pocket-money collected by the students during the Action Day (April 2025). In the past eight years the whole amount collected during the Action Day varied from 10,000 € to 20,000 €. In the [NOMINATION FORM](#), it must be specified for which activities the monetary prize will be probably used. The collected contribution will be transferred directly by Operation Daywork to the winner of the Human Rights Award by September 2025.

### Requirements of the OD-Human Rights Award candidates

The prize is awarded to individuals, organizations, associations, informal groups, committees, associations, foundations, or cooperatives which do not pursue any profit-making with respect to the OD human rights prize but use these for activities relating to human rights.



### Funding priorities

The aim of Operation Daywork is to support initiatives that stand out due to their **commitment to human rights** (for example, rights of minorities and marginalized groups, etc.). Also, they must be initiated or promoted by **locally based** individuals, communities, **local groups** or socio-political movements **with social relevance**. There is no geographical limitation. For more information, see Criteria for Preselection 2024/2025.

### Obligations of the OD Human Rights Award winner

The Human Rights Award winner is required to sign an agreement to cooperate in the preparation and execution of the awareness campaign as follows:

#### 1. Educational trip of the OD-team

In summer 2024 (3-4 weeks between July and August) an educational trip is planned for a small delegation of OD, formed by 3-5 people (Campaign-Manager, Coordinator and volunteers) to the homeland of the winner of the Human Rights Award. The aim of this trip is to get to know the OD Human Rights Award winner, as well as the social, economic and cultural situation of its country. The team will collect material, in order to produce the necessary pedagogic material to be used in the awareness campaign in schools. **During this educational trip, the Human Rights Award winner agrees to put OD in contact with other partners working on the same topic in the area or supporting the work of the Winner. Moreover, the winner will support Operation Daywork in the organization of the visiting trip of OD to the local context of the Winner.** All the costs of the trip will be covered by Operation Daywork.

#### 2. Elaborating the pedagogic material: OD journal, workshops, documentary

The awareness campaign will present the Human Rights Award winner and also educate the students on the historical, economic and social context of the selected partner country. **This requires the support of the Human Rights Award winner and the proposer to help in the collection of information, stories, materials or interviews** that are key for the preparation of the journal and the workshops. At the following link you can consult our latest journal on Honduras, “Paso a Paso: construir el future cambiando el presente”: <https://operationdaywork.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Themenheft-2023-24.pdf>.

#### 3. Visiting trip of two representatives of the Human Rights Award Winner to Italy

As part of the awareness campaign, two representatives of the Human Rights Award Winner will come for about three weeks to South Tyrol to visit the students of high schools in March 2025. **The winner is asked to select suitable representatives.** Guests are asked to **speak about themselves and their commitment to human rights in their daily lives**, and to report about the current issues of their country. At the same time, they need to motivate the students - together with Operation Daywork- to participate at the Action Day. During the three-week stay, about 20 schools will be visited, in addition to some public events. The guests’ visit is therefore a very busy time, which requires the willingness of the guests to collaborate and is fundamental in motivating the students to participate in the Action Day. The travel expenses (flights, food and accommodation) of the invited guests will be covered by Operation Daywork. Operation Daywork has limited resources available, we ask your understanding regarding simple but appropriate accommodation.

### How to fill out the Nomination Form 2024/2025

- The application must not exceed a total of **8 pages**
- Questions on the nomination form **must not** be altered or skipped
- The nomination form must be signed by the proposer
- The nomination form can only be sent by email. The OD Team will confirm the receipt of the email.



More information on Operation Daywork: [www.operationdaywork.org](http://www.operationdaywork.org).

In addition, please do not hesitate to contact our Coordinator Dr. Anna Carteri for further questions at: [anna.carteri@papperla.net](mailto:anna.carteri@papperla.net).

Thank you for your cooperation,  
*The Operation Daywork Team*