Social Entrepreneur of the Year 2008

If you think you are a social entrepreneur or if you know a social entrepreneur then this message is for you!

The Nand & Jeet Khemka Foundation and The Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship, in collaboration with United Nations Development Program (UNDP) are inviting applications for India's Social Entrepreneur of the Year Award 2008. Four to five Finalists will be selected following an intensive search and selection process including expert reviews and site visits. The winner will be announced in a ceremony coinciding with the India Economic Summit in November 2008.

Social entrepreneurs are pragmatic visionaries who have launched and successfully implemented path breaking innovative ideas to address society’s most pressing social problems. They drive social innovation and transformation in various fields including education, health, environment and enterprise development. They pursue poverty alleviation goals with entrepreneurial zeal, business methods and the courage to innovate and overcome traditional practices. Whether they set up for profit entities, hybrid social ventures or not for profit organizations, their primary focus is always transformational social change.

Benefits
The Finalists are invited to the India Economic Summit beginning November 16th 2008.

The winner will be invited to the Annual Meeting of the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, providing unprecedented opportunities to engage with global decision makers from the public, corporate, media and academic sectors to strengthen and expand his/her model.

In addition, the winner will be eligible for a cash award of INR 800,000 from the Khemka Foundation and will be named ‘Khemka Fellow’

To download the application form and view the selection criteria, the benefits and the selection process, please visit www.schwabfound.org/india

The deadline for receiving applications is June 5th 2008.