



A call has been issued for nominations/entries for the 2013 South African Early Childhood Development (SAECD) Awards. The closing date is **30 September 2013**.

The annual ***South African ECD Awards*** initiative is the only one of its kind in South Africa, and it has been taking place since 2003. This has been in partnership with the Absa, Departments of Basic Education and Social Development, South African Congress for Early Childhood Development and UNICEF. These awards are aimed at the promotion and recognition of excellence, hard work, dedication and investment in the future of children by individual practitioners, community centres and organisations involved in the sector.

The 2013 awards are in the following categories:

- **Best ECD Practitioner of the Year**
- **Best ECD Centre of the Year**
- **Best ECD Trainer of the Year**
- **Best Publication of the Year**
- **Best ECD Training and Intervention Programme**