

# Press Releases: Ceremony for the 2018 Secretary of State's Award for Corporate Excellence

Notice to the Press  
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Deputy Secretary of State John Sullivan will present this year's Awards for Corporate Excellence (ACE) on Friday, October 5, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. in the Benjamin Franklin Room at the Department of State.

Established in 1999, the award recognizes U.S. companies that represent American values well in their business practices worldwide.

This year's ACE winners are: For **Sustainable Operations**, PVH Corp. in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; and for **Women's Economic Empowerment**, Alaffia in Lome, Togo.

The ceremony will be open to the press.

*Pre-set time for cameras: 3:00 p.m. from the 23rd Street entrance*

*Final access time for writers and still photographers: 3:30 p.m. from the 23rd street entrance*

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For further information about access to the event, please contact the Department of State Office of Press Relations at (202) 647-2492 or [PAPressDuty@state.gov](mailto:PAPressDuty@state.gov). Media with further questions about the Award for Corporate Excellence may contact the Office of Economic Policy Analysis and Public Diplomacy at [EPPDMedia@state.gov](mailto:EPPDMedia@state.gov).

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