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The Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean was established in 2003. The prize will be awarded for the fifth time during the Fifty-eighth Session of the Regional Committee. Following the recommendations of the Foundation, the Regional Committee at its Fifty-seventh Session decided to award the prize for 2011 in the area of cancer to Dr Alireza Ansary-Moghaddam from the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Dr Alireza Ansary-Moghaddam is being honoured for his significant contribution in the field of cancer. He graduated in public health from the University of Kerman and obtained a PhD in epidemiology from the University of Sydney in Australia. Dr Ansary-Moghaddam has done extensive research in the field of cancer and has co-authored numerous articles in international peer-reviewed journals. He has taught at Zahedan University of Medical Sciences and headed several centres for communicable disease control and for research. He is currently Director of the Health Promotion Research Center in Zahedan, Islamic Republic of Iran.