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**PREDMET**: UNESCO – poziv za nominacije za UNESCO/Al Fozan međunarodnu nagradu za promicanje mladih znanstvenika u području znanosti, tehnologije, inženjeringa i matematike, informacija, dostavlja se

Poštovani,

Obavještavamo vas da je UNESCO otvorio poziv za dostavljanje nominacija za UNESCO/Al Fozan međunarodnu nagradu za promicanje mladih znanstvenika u području znanosti, tehnologije, inženjeringa i matematike.

UNESCO-Al Fozan međunarodna nagrada za promociju mladih znanstvenika u području znanosti, tehnologije, inženjerstva i matematike (STEM) ima za cilj jačanje STEM istraživanja, STEM obrazovanja i međunarodne suradnje radi suočavanja s globalnim izazovima kojima se bave Ciljevi održivog razvoja (SDG). Nagradom se odaje priznanje dostignućima mladih ljudi koja doprinose društveno-ekonomskoj transformaciji i razvoju na globalnoj razini, a istodobno se povećava interesiranje mladih, posebice djevojaka i žena, za znanost kako bi se promovirala rodna ravnopravnost, znanstvena pismenost i izbor znanstvene karijere.

Počevši od 2022. nagrada će se dodjeljivati svake dvije godine petorici laureata iz pet geografskih regija UNESCO-a (Afrika, arapske države, Azija i Pacifik, Europa i Sjeverna Amerika i Latinska Amerika i Karibi).

Nagrada se dodjeljuje kandidatima koji su stekli priznanje za značajan doprinos:

- STEM Istraživanju uključujući nove tehnologije ili;
- STEM obrazovanju, širenju rezultata istraživanja, kao i kreativnosti i inovativnosti ili;
- Međunarodnoj ili regionalnoj STEM suradnji.

Kandidati moraju imati manje od 40 godina u vrijeme isteka roka za prijavu.

Nominacije se dostavljaju putem online platforme <a href="https://unescoalfozanprize.org/">https://unescoalfozanprize.org/</a>, a rok za dostavljanje kandidatura je 15.11.2022. godine.

Sve nominacije treba da sadrže pismo preporuke relevantnog sveučilišta ili nadležnog ministarstva, na engleskom jeziku, u kojem je navedeno:

- (a) osnovne informacije o kandidatu i opis njegovih postignuća,
- (b) opis kandidatovog doprinosa ciljevima nagrade, te
- (c) sažetak o radu, publikacijama i drugim značajnim relevantnim dokumentima.

U privitku dostavljamo poziv za dostavljanje kandidatura uz statut nagrade.

Molimo da informaciju o ovom pozivu učinite dostupnom potencijalnim kandidatima.

S poštovanjem,

MINISTRICA Ankica Gudeljević

## Privitak:

- Poziv UNESCO-a za dostavljanje nominacija za UNESCO/Al Fozan međunarodnu nagradu za promicanje mladih znanstvenika u području znanosti, tehnologije, inženjeringa i matematike, uz Statut nagrade

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Subject: Call for applications for the first edition of the UNESCO-Al Fozan

International Prize for the promotion of young scientists in science,

technology, engineering and mathematics

Madam/Sir,

It is my honour to invite your government to submit applications for the first edition of the UNESCO-Al Fozan International Prize for the Promotion of Young Scientists in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

From 2022 onwards, this prize will be awarded every two years to five talented young laureates, from all of UNESCO's geographic regions, for their contributions to scientific research, education and cooperation.

The five laureates will each receive 50,000 USD, in order to help launch their careers and share their ideas more widely. I therefore encourage you to take part in this call for applications, and to share it with all relevant organizations and institutions.

Applications should be submitted by 15 November 2022 (midnight, UTC+1) by Member States, through their National Commissions to UNESCO, or by non-governmental organizations in official partnership with UNESCO and active in fields covered by the Prize, UNESCO Chairs, Category 2 Centres, International Scientific Unions, and universities.

The application process will take place online, from 1 June 2022 onwards, via the following link: <a href="https://unescoalfozanprize.org/">https://unescoalfozanprize.org/</a>. The Secretariat of the Prize is also available to respond to any questions you may have (unescoalfozanprize@unesco.org).

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Audrey Azoulay Director-General

Enc.: Statutes of the Prize

cc: National Commissions for UNESCO Permanent Delegations to UNESCO

**UNESCO Field Offices** 

#### ANNEX I

## STATUTES OF THE UNESCO-AL FOZAN INTERNATIONAL PRIZE FOR THE PROMOTION OF YOUNG SCIENTISTS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM)

# Article 1 - Purpose of the Prize

- 1.1 The purpose of the UNESCO-AL Fozan International Prize for the promotion of young scientists in STEM is to promote young researchers in the field of STEM.
- 1.2 The UNESCO-AI Fozan International Prize for the promotion of young scientists in STEM, financially supported by the AI Fozan Foundation, aims to strengthen STEM research, STEM education and international cooperation to confront the global challenges addressed by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Such a Prize will give recognition to the achievements of young people that are conducive to socio-economic transformation and development on a global scale while also increasing the interest of young people, particularly girls and women, in science so as to promote gender equality, scientific literacy and the choice of a scientific career.
- 1.3 The Prize recognizes and rewards achievements that are conducive to capacity building, the development of scientific careers and socio-economic development at the national, regional, and global levels.
- 1.4 The Prize will also serve as a lever for strengthening global capabilities in STEM, as well as giving visibility to STEM role models that are capable of attracting youth towards STEM studies and careers.

## Article 2 - Designation, periodicity, geographical distribution and amount of the Prize

- 2.1 The Prize shall be entitled "UNESCO-AL Fozan International Prize for the promotion of young scientists in STEM".
- 2.2 The Prize shall be funded by the Al Fozan Foundation, and shall consist of a recurrent payment of USD \$1.65 million for the total duration of a cycle of six-years period from 2022 to 2027 (\$550,000 per biennium), which shall cover both the monetary value of the Prize and the costs of administering the Prize. A diploma and a medal will be given to each of the recipients. Any interest that may accrue shall be added to the overall contribution.
- 2.3 All funds received, and the interest accrued thereon shall be kept in a special interestbearing account for the Prize (see financial regulations in Annex II).
- 2.4 The full staff support and operating/management costs of the Prize, including all costs related to the administration and public information activities, and the overhead costs to be applied and charged against the funds in the special account, estimated at USD \$ 900,000 for three biennia (\$300,000 per biennium) shall be fully covered by the Al Fozan Foundation. The related special account is to be established under the financial regulations for the Prize.
- 2.5 The Prize shall be awarded every two years to five individual prize-winners from the five UNESCO geographical regions at each edition, on an initial basis for three biennia (three editions of the Prize in total).
- 2.6 The Secretariat of the Prize will be located in the Natural Sciences Sector of UNESCO, the date and place of venue of the prize-giving ceremony, which will be held in alternation on UNESCO's premises at Headquarters (whenever possible during the Executive Board or General Conference), in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia or any other venue as decided by

#### Article 6 - Nomination of candidates

- 6.1 When UNESCO has received the funding of the Prize as well as the staff support and operating/management costs of the Prize, as indicated in Article 2 above, the Director-General of UNESCO shall officially invite the submission of nominations to the Secretariat of the Prize every two years from the governments of Member States, in consultation with their National Commissions, as well as from non-governmental organizations maintaining official partnerships with the Organization and active in relevant fields covered by a prize and by UNESCO Chairs, category 2 centres, international scientific unions and universities.
- 6.2 Nominations shall be submitted to the Director-General by the governments of Member States, in consultation with their National Commissions, by non-governmental organizations maintaining official partnerships with UNESCO and active in relevant fields covered by the Prize, by UNESCO Chairs, category 2 centres, international scientific unions and universities. A self-nomination cannot be considered
- 6.3 Each nomination shall be accompanied by a written recommendation, which shall include, in English or French, inter alia:
  - (a) a description of the candidate's background and achievements;
  - (b) a summary of the work, publications and other supporting documents of major importance, submitted for consideration;
  - (c) a description of the candidate's contribution to the Prize's objectives.

## Article 7 - Procedure for the awarding of the Prize

- 7.1 The Prize shall be awarded by the Director-General or his/her representative and the Donor or his/her representative at an official ceremony held for that purpose in alternation at UNESCO's premises at Headquarters and in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia or any other place that might be considered appropriate. For the first edition, the award ceremony shall be held at UNESCO's headquarters in Paris. UNESCO shall present to the prize-winners a financial award of USD 50,000 each, representing a total monetary prize value of USD 250,000, as well as a diploma and a medal. UNESCO shall officially announce the names of the prize-winners and highlight their achievements.
- 7.2 If a work being rewarded has been produced by two or three persons, the prize shall be awarded to them jointly. In no case may a prize amount be divided between more than three persons.
- 7.3 The prize-winner/s, if possible, shall give a lecture on a subject relevant to the work for which the prize has been awarded. Such a lecture shall be organized during or in connection with the Prize ceremony.
- 7.4 The work produced by a person since deceased shall not be considered for a Prize. If, however, a prize-winner dies before he has received the prize, then the prize may be presented posthumously.
- 7.5 Should a prize-winner decline the Prize, the Jury shall submit a new proposal to the Director-General.

### Article 8 - Sunset clause - mandatory renewal of the Prize

8.1 Six months prior to the agreed end of the term of the Prize, the Director-General of UNESCO together with the donor will undertake a review of all aspects of the Prize and determine its

#### ANNEX II

# FINANCIAL REGULATIONS OF THE SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR THE UNESCO-AL FOZAN INTERNATIONAL PRIZE FOR THE PROMOTION OF YOUNG SCIENTISTS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM)

# Article 1 - Creation of a Special Account

- 1.1 In accordance with the Statutes of the UNESCO-Al Fozan International Prize for the promotion of young scientists in STEM and Article 6, paragraphs 5 and 6, of the Financial Regulations of UNESCO, there is hereby created a Special Account for the UNESCO-AL Fozan International Prize for the promotion of young scientists in STEM, hereafter referred to as the Special Account.
- 1.2 The following regulations shall govern the operation of the Special Account.

## Article 2 - Financial period

- 2.1 The financial period for budget estimates shall be two consecutive calendar years beginning with an even-numbered year.
- 2.2 The financial period for accounting shall be an annual calendar year.

## Article 3 - Purpose

- 3.1 The purpose of the UNESCO-Al Fozan International Prize for the promotion of young scientists in STEM is to promote young researchers in the field of STEM.
- 3.2 The amounts deposited in the special Account shall be used to finance UNESCO-AL Fozan international Prize for the promotion of young scientists in STEM and its operational and related costs.

#### Article 4 - Income

The income of the Special Account, in line with its Statutes, shall consist of:

- (a) voluntary contributions from States, international agencies and organizations, as well as other entities; in particular, the Al Fozan Foundation, which committed an amount of USD 550,000 per edition of the Prize;
- (b) such subventions, endowments, gifts and bequests as are allocated to it for purposes consistent with the object of the Special Account;
- (c) miscellaneous income, including any interest earned on the investments referred to in Article 7 below.

# Article 5 - Expenditure

The Special Account shall be debited with the expenditure relating to its purpose as described in Article 3 above and the Statutes of the Prize, including administrative expenses specifically relating to it and management costs applicable to it.

#### Article 6 - Accounts

6.1 The Chief Financial Officer shall maintain such accounting records as are necessary.