

The National Commission on Research, Science and Technology (NCRST) is a State-Owned Enterprise established in terms of the Research, Science and Technology Act, 2004 (Act no. 23 of 2004) with a primary role of promotion, coordination and development of research, science, technology and innovation in Namibia. The NCRST, in partnership with the Namibia National Commission for UNESCO, calls interested individuals to submit nominations for outstanding women toward the following UNESCO Awards in Science:

L'Oréal – UNESCO Awards for Women in Life Science (2016)

Created in 1998, the L'Oréal-UNESCO For Women in Science International Awards program identifies and supports eminent women in science throughout the world. Each year, five Awards Laureates are recognized for their contributions to the advancement of science, in Life or Physical Sciences in alternating years. The 2016 edition of the Awards will designate five outstanding scientific researchers in the Life Sciences, who will receive an award of €100,000.

Namibian Scientists are invited to submit candidates for the L'Oréal-UNESCO Awards For Women in Science.

The selection criteria of the candidates are the following:

- The candidate's outstanding contribution to the general advancement of science
- The impact of the candidate's body of work on the current state of her field of science (number, quality and impact of publications, conference presentations, patents...)
- The recognition of the candidate by peers within her community
- The candidate's commitments to education through publications, teaching activities, mentoring, etc. Scientists around the world are invited to submit candidates for the L'Oréal-UNESCO Awards For Women in Science.

To be considered eligible for an award, it is necessary to be nominated in writing by an eminent scientist. Self-nominations are not eligible, nor are nominations from immediate family members. Teams are not eligible for nomination. Nominations can only be submitted electronically through the online platform.

For more information visit: <http://www.fwis.fr/en/awards>

UNESCO-Equatorial Guinea

International Prize for Research in the Life Sciences

The purpose of the UNESCO-Equatorial Guinea International Prize for Research in the Life Sciences is to reward the projects and activities of an individual, individuals, institutions, other entities or non-governmental organizations for scientific research in the life sciences, which have led to improving the quality of human life. The Prize encourages research as well as the establishment and development of networks of centres of excellence in the life sciences.

Candidates shall have made significant research contribution to the life sciences to enhance the quality of human life. The prize winner(s), maximum three, shall be selected by the Director-General of UNESCO on the basis of the assessments and recommendations made to her by an international jury.

The nomination form should be completed in English or French only, and should reach UNESCO **no later than 30 June 2015** at the following address:

UNESCO-Equatorial Guinea International Prize for Research in the Life Sciences:

Natural Sciences Sector

UNESCO

1 rue Miollis

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For more information visit: <http://www.unesco.org/lifesciencesprize>.

Call for nominations for the UNESCO Kalinga Prize for the Popularization of Science

The UNESCO Kalinga Prize for the Popularization is an international distinction that rewards a person who has had a distinguished career as a writer, editor, lecturer, radio/television programme director or film producer, which has enabled him/her to help to interpret science, research and technology to the public

Popularizing science includes all activities that communicate scientific knowledge and scientific methods to the public, outside the formal setting of classrooms. It encompasses museums, shows and fairs, and work to promote public understanding of the history of science.

The prize is awarded biennially. The closing date for the submission of applications is **29 May 2015**. Candidatures should be sent to UNESCO, Division for Science Policy and Capacity-Building, Natural Sciences Sector, UNESCO, 1, rue Miollis, 75732 Paris Cedex 15, France.

Each nomination shall be accompanied by a written recommendation, which shall include five copies (paper or electronic) of the following documents, in English or French:

- Description of the candidate's background;
- Completed submission form;
- Summary of the work or the results of the work on the popularization of science, including publications and other supporting materials, to be submitted for consideration; and
- Description of how the candidate's submitted work has contributed to the popularization of science.

For more information write to y.nur@unesco.org

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Respective Award closing dates, and application guidelines apply