

GENERAL RULES

UNESCO KALINGA PRIZE FOR THE POPULARIZATION OF SCIENCE 2021

Purpose

The Kalinga Prize rewards the exceptional efforts of a person who has had a distinguished career as a writer, editor, lecturer, radio/television programme director or film producer, which has enabled her/him to help interpret science, research and technology to the public. He/she is expected to be knowledgeable of the role of science, technology, and general research in the improvement of the public welfare, the enrichment of the cultural heritage of nations and the solutions to the problems of humanity.

The objective of the Prize is in directly in line with UNESCO's policies and is related to the Programme on the popularization of science.

Donors and Prize

The Prize is funded by the Kalinga Foundation Trust, the Government of the State of Orissa, and the Government of India (Department of Science and Technology). It will be awarded by the Director-General of UNESCO at the World Science Forum, tentatively planned for December 2021 hosted by the Government of South Africa.

The award consists of a cheque for the amount of the prize US\$40,000, an award certificate, and the UNESCO-Albert Einstein silver medal. The laureate will also receive the Kalinga Chair as established by the Government of India (Department of Science and Technology) which comprises a certificate and cash award of US\$5,000.

He/she will be invited to travel to India (travel and accommodation will be provided by the Government of India), for a two to four-week tour to interact with scientists and science communicators. He/she will be provided with appropriate facilities to familiarize herself/himself with Indian life and culture, Indian research and educational institutions, and the development of India's industry and economy. He/she will also be invited to visit Indian universities, and attend meetings within India's scientific societies, particularly those of the Indian Science Congress Association. While in India, the Prize-winner will be asked to deliver lectures in English, and to take part in meetings in order to present recent progress in science and technology as well as the social, cultural and educational impacts of modern science.

Application process

The Prize is destined to candidates having contributed significantly to the popularization of science. The Prize may be awarded only to individuals. A work produced by a group of people shall not be considered. Applications shall be submitted to the Director-General through the governments of Member States, in consultation with their National Commissions, or through Non-Governmental Organizations maintaining formal relations with UNESCO. A self-nomination cannot be considered. Each Member State and Non-Governmental Organization may designate one candidate.

Each application shall include a cover letter, and the following documents, in English or French:

- a) Description of the candidate's background;
- b) Completed submission form;

c) 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;

d) Description of how the candidate's submitted work has contributed to the popularization of science.

The application dossier should preferably be sent by email. If, however it must be sent by postal services, it should be sent in either five hard copies, or on five digital supports (USB, CD or DVD).

Applications should be addressed to the Kalinga Prize Secretariat at UNESCO, preferably by email:

Mr Yoslan Nur

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Division for Science Policy and Capacity Building
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The deadline for reception by UNESCO of applications and materials is **17 May 2021**. Evaluation process. The laureate is selected by the Director-General of UNESCO upon the recommendation of a Jury of five members. This Jury, composed of recognised personalities in the field, is designated by the Director-General on the basis of equitable geographical distribution. By end of June/early July 2019, the jury member will receive all applications for evaluation. In September, the jury will meet at UNESCO to present the results of the evaluation to the Director-General and issue their recommendations for a laureate.

More information

For further information, please visit the UNESCO-Kalinga webpage:
<https://en.unesco.org/prizes/kalinga>



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To Permanent Delegates and Observers
to UNESCO

cc: National Commissions for UNESCO

8 March 2021

Ref.: SC/PCB/SPP/21/703

Sir/Madam,

It is my honour to invite your Government, in consultation with your National Commission, to submit a nomination for the 2021 edition of the UNESCO Kalinga Prize for the Popularization of Science. For your information, please find the General Rules of the Prize enclosed.

Jointly funded by the Kalinga Foundation Trust, the Government of the State of Orissa of India, and the Indian Government, this Prize aims to distinguish a person who has made a significant contribution to the popularization of science or technology, as a writer, editor, lecturer, radio/television/web programme director or film producer.

One candidate will be nominated by each Member State, through its National Commission for UNESCO, upon the recommendation of national associations for the advancement of science, academies of science, national associations of science writers and scientific journalists, or any other associations working in the field of science and the popularization of science. Unsolicited applications by individuals cannot be considered.

Each application shall include a cover letter, and the following documents, in English or French:

- a. A description of the candidate's background;
- b. The completed submission form;
- c. The work, or a summary of the work, of the candidate on the popularization of science, including publications and all other supporting materials, which may help the decision of the jury; and
- d. A description of how the candidate's submitted work has contributed to the popularization of science.

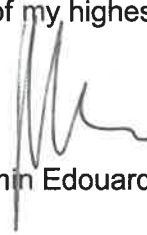
The application dossier should preferably be sent by e-mail. If, however, it must be sent by postal services, it should include five hard copies or five digital supports (USB, CD or DVD) of the complete dossier.

Applications should be addressed to the Kalinga Prize Secretariat at UNESCO:

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The deadline for reception by UNESCO of the completed applications is **17 May 2021**.

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



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Madame la Déléguée permanente,
Monsieur le Délégué permanent,

J'ai l'honneur de vous inviter à présenter, en consultation avec votre Commission nationale, un ou une candidate pour l'édition 2021 du Prix UNESCO Kalinga de vulgarisation scientifique. Vous voudrez bien trouver sous ce pli, pour information, le règlement général relatif à son attribution.

Financé conjointement par la Fondation Kalinga, le gouvernement de l'État d'Orissa et le gouvernement indien, ce prix vise à distinguer une personnalité ayant particulièrement contribué à la vulgarisation scientifique et technologique, soit par l'écriture, par la direction de publications, par l'enseignement, ou par de productions multimédias telles que des émissions radiophoniques, télévisées, web, ou de films.

Les candidat(e)s seront présenté(e)s, à raison d'une candidature par État membre, en concertation avec leur Commission nationale pour l'UNESCO et sur recommandation des associations nationales pour l'avancement de la science, des académies des sciences, d'associations nationales de rédacteurs ou de journalistes scientifiques, ou de toute autre association consacrée aux sciences et à leur vulgarisation. Les propositions et les demandes individuelles ou spontanées ne sont pas recevables.

Chaque dossier de candidature devra inclure une lettre de candidature et les documents suivants, en anglais ou en français :

- a. une description des activités du/de la candidat(e) ;
- b. le formulaire de candidature dûment complété ;
- c. Les travaux, ou un résumé des travaux du/de la candidat(e) en matière de vulgarisation scientifique, y compris les publications et tout autre document qui mériterait d'être soumis à la considération du jury ; et
- d. un descriptif de la manière dont le travail soumis par le candidat a contribué à la vulgarisation scientifique.

Le dossier de candidature devra être envoyé préférablement par voie électronique. Si toutefois il devait être envoyé par voie postale, il devra comprendre cinq exemplaires papier du dossier entier ou cinq supports numériques (USB, CD ou DVD).

Les candidatures devront être adressées au Secrétariat du Prix Kalinga à l'UNESCO:

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La date limite de réception des dossiers de candidatures est fixé au **17 mai 2021**.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Madame la Déléguée permanente, Monsieur le Délégué permanent, l'assurance de ma haute considération.



Firmin Edouard Matoko