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Subject: 2027 Call for nominations for the UNESCO-AI Fozan International Prize for the Promotion of Young Scientists in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)

Dear Chairholders,

On behalf of the Director-General, I am pleased to invite you to submit nominations for the third edition of the UNESCO-AI Fozan International Prize for the Promotion of Young Scientists in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

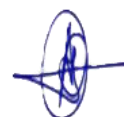
Established by UNESCO's Executive Board, this Prize is awarded every two years to five talented young people under 40, from each of UNESCO's five geographic regions, for their contributions to research, education or scientific cooperation. The laureates will each receive US \$50,000 to help launch their careers and share their ideas more widely.

I therefore encourage you to participate in this call for nominations by sharing it with all relevant organisations and institutions, as well as with eligible candidates who may submit their applications online.

Applications may be submitted by candidates until **30 November 2026 (midnight, UTC+1)** along with the nomination by Member States in consultation with their National Commissions to UNESCO, or by non-governmental organisations in official partnership with UNESCO and active in relevant fields covered by the Prize, UNESCO Chairs, Category 2 Centres, international scientific unions, and universities.

The application and nomination process is taking place online, via the following link: <https://unescoalfozanprize.org/>. The Secretariat of the Prize is available to answer any questions you may have (unescoalfozanprize@unesco.org)

Yours sincerely,



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