



Letter from the President

14 September 2020

Dear colleagues,

I am delighted to announce that the International Science Council [Awards Programme](#) is being launched today. The Programme aims to recognize individuals or groups whose work contributes to advancing science as a global public good.

Under the stewardship of an Awards Selection Committee, the Awards Programme will reward efforts from the ISC community to advance international, interdisciplinary scientific research cooperation, to bring scientific knowledge into the public domain, to innovate science education and outreach, and to promote the free and responsible practice of science.

The Award categories are as follows:

1. Science for Sustainability Award (one award)
2. Science for Policy (one award)
3. Policy for Science (one award)
4. Scientific Freedom and Responsibility (one award)
5. Early Career Scientist Award (six 6 awards from each of the geographic regions of (i) Africa, (ii) Asia, (iii) Australia and Oceania, (iv) Europe, (v) North America, and (vi) South America and the Caribbean)

ISC members, affiliated bodies and partners are eligible to nominate candidates for the Awards. These will be conferred every three years, on the occasion of the ISC General Assembly.

The success of the Awards Programme, which will speak to the Council's vision of Science as a Global Public Good and bring new talent to the international scientific community, will depend on you, our affiliated bodies and partners, nominating talented individuals, teams and initiatives in the various Award categories.

Nominations are open now, and will close on 1 February 2021. Details of the nomination and selection process can be found at this page: <https://council.science/current/news/nominations-isc-awards/>. Please address any questions regarding the Awards Programme to [Anne Thieme](#).

The ISC looks forward to receiving your nominations and to celebrating outstanding examples of international scientific endeavour and cooperation in 2021.

Your sincerely,

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