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## Introduction and how to use this compendium<sup>1</sup>

All experienced grant-seekers know that in-depth research on potential funders is essential to successful proposal development.

Doing this in-depth research—*Doing your Homework*—means making sure that the potential funder is interested in supporting—investing in—the type of activity you propose. It helps you target your proposal—to eliminate funders whose mission and funding objectives do not match your programs. And when you do find a good match, to tailor your proposal to the often very specific requirements and interests of your funder.

### Useful Steps

Here are some tips for using this directory to conduct in-depth, targeted research on potential funding sources for your research, education or development programs:

**1. Do not use this directory as a mailing list:** Use the directory to make an initial and very preliminary list of 5-10 funding sources that seem to match your interests and the mission of your organization.

**2. Read about your potential funding sources:** After you have selected your initial 5-10 potential funders from the directory, investigate further the funder's interests and mission. Read the funder's Internet site carefully if it has one. If not, write or telephone the funder to request an annual report, grants list and current proposal application guidelines.

**3. When doing your in-depth research, look for this information about the potential funder:**

- **What is the funder's focus?**

This includes mission, subject interests, populations to be served and geographic focus.

- **What type of funder is this?**

Government, multilateral development bank, private foundation, family foundation, corporate sponsor, individual? In many cases, type of funder determines how you approach that funder, proposal evaluation processes the funder uses and requirements you will be responsible for meeting if you are awarded a grant.

- **What types of support does the funder give?**

This could be program/project support, general operating support, travel and conferences, challenge grants, endowments, in-kind support (equipment, software) or construction of buildings and laboratories.

- **What is the funding pattern?**

How many grants does the funder award annually? What is their range in value (lowest, highest, average grant amount)? Does the funder award single or multi-year grants? Does the funder support indirect costs and, if so, at what rate?

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<sup>1</sup> This 'how to' with some modifications, written by former ICRAF Head of Proposal Development Judith Killen.

- **What types of organizations and what specific organizations has the funder supported recently?**

Universities, colleges, local grassroots organizations, international organizations, religious organizations? And has the funder supported your type of organization recently?

- **Does the funder have special requirements or restrictions?**

After you understand the donor's priorities and funding patterns, it is necessary to know how they like to be approached. Firstly, do they accept unsolicited proposals, and secondly, is a letter of inquiry suggested. Does the donor have a program specialist you can contact to seek guidance and/or clarification before you develop the application.

- **Does the funder have a specific proposal application process and specific proposal format?**

- **Are there proposal deadlines?**

- **When is the next deadline?**

And do you have time to prepare a high-quality proposal? Remember, your proposal could be the first example of your work funders can expect from you and your organization if your proposal is approved.

**4. Answer the questions outlined above and narrow your list of potential funders to three to five funders you believe will definitely be interested in your work and in reviewing your proposal:**

For these funders, can you locate a recently funded proposal to use as an example? Also, check the funder's staff list to see if you can identify specific staff members who will read and review your proposal. What is the background of these potential evaluators (education, interests)? Do you know colleagues who have received support from this funder? What was their experience with the funder? Also, some funders provide technical assistance to organizations seeking support. Check to see if this support is available to you.

**5. Follow the funders' guidelines—completely:** And remember funders often have very specific rules and requirements about how they may be approached—as well as specific proposal guidelines and formats.

**6. Finally, if you do not qualify, do not apply:** By submitting a proposal to an organization not interested in your type of program or organization, you will waste your time and indicate to the potential funder you did not do your homework—or worse—you do not respect the funder's needs and requirements.

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## The Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS): TWAS Prizes and Grants

Deadline	See “summary”
Amount	See “summary”
Eligibility	See “summary”
Location	Developing countries
Summary	TWAS, the academy of sciences for the developing world, is an autonomous international organization, founded in 1983 in Trieste, Italy, by a distinguished group of scientists from the South under the leadership of the late Nobel laureate Abdus Salam of Pakistan. It was officially launched by the secretary-general of the United Nations in 1985. TWAS represents the best of science in developing countries. Its main mission is to promote scientific excellence and capacity in the South for science-based sustainable development.

The Academy's strength resides in the quality and diversity of its membership -- internationally renowned scientists elected by their peers. TWAS Fellows, who represent 85 percent of the membership, are citizens of the South; TWAS Associate Fellows are citizens of the North who have made significant contributions to the advancement of science in the South. At present, TWAS has 902 members from 90 countries.

Here is a brief overview of the prizes and grants programmes offered by TWAS to scientists in developing countries:

### **PRIZES: Honouring scientific achievement**

#### **1. The Ernesto Illy Trieste Science Prize**

TWAS and illycaffè, in collaboration with the Municipality of Trieste and the Fondazione Internazionale per il progresso e la libertà delle scienze, have established the Ernesto Illy Trieste Science Prize, to honour outstanding scientific achievements made by individual scientists from the developing countries.

#### **2. TWAS Prizes**

Each year the Academy awards eight prizes of US\$15,000 each to individual scientists who have been working and living in a developing country for at least ten years. The Prizes are given in the following eight fields of science: agricultural sciences, biology, chemistry, earth sciences, engineering sciences, mathematics, medical sciences and physics. Deadline: 31 March.

#### **3. The TWAS-AAS-Microsoft Award for Young Scientists**

The Prize will recognize young scientists in Africa whose research in computer science promises to have a positive impact in the developing world. Each year, three winners will be selected from different countries on the continent. Each recipient will receive a Euro 7,000 (approx. USD9,800) cash award generously contributed by Microsoft. Deadline: 15 May.

#### **4. TWAS Prizes to Young Scientists in Developing Countries**

The Academy invites national science academies, scientific research councils, ministries of science and technology and high-level research organizations in the South to institute a scheme of TWAS prizes for young scientists in their countries. Important: The programme is directed at organizations, not individual scientists. Deadline: none.

## 5. TWAS Medal Lectures

Every year, the Academy honours three TWAS Members for their achievements in their fields of research. The recipients lecture on a main aspect of their work, and are presented with a plaque.

## 6. The Abdus Salam Medal for Science and Technology

The medal was instituted to honour the Academy's founder and first president, Professor Abdus Salam. It is awarded to highly distinguished personalities who have served the cause of science in the Third World.

## 7. The C.N.R. Rao Prize for Scientific Research

The prize, named after TWAS Founding Fellow and former president, CNR Rao, carries a cash award of US\$5,000 and is usually presented every three years. It is designed to honour distinguished scientists from the developing world, especially scientists from the world's scientifically and technologically lagging countries, who have made significant contributions to global science.

## GRANTS: Building scientific capacity

### 1. TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences

for Individual Scientists and Research Units in S&T-Lagging Countries. Under this scheme, grants are awarded to high-level promising research projects in biology, chemistry, mathematics and physics carried out by either individual scientists or research units in the 80 S&T-lagging countries (S&TLCs) identified by TWAS. Deadline: 31 August.

### 2. TWAS-COMSTECH Joint Research Grants

For young scientists in OIC countries working in science and technology to enable them to purchase the research facilities they need to enhance their productivity. Deadlines: 31 March and 31 August 2009.

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## Action for World Solidarity

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Currently the countries supported by ASW are India, Brazil, the west african countries of Senegal, Burkina Faso, West Sahara, Zimbabwe und the Republic of South Africa.

**Summary** Since 1957, The Action for World Solidarity Organisation (ASW) has supported small, self- initiated groups in India, Africa and Brazil, which try to strengthen and improve the situation of women, strive for environmental protection, or attempt to achieve social and cultural human rights.

Action for World Solidarity promotes projects which have already begun working, proven their effectiveness and need further financial assistance in order to continue functioning. Instead of sending experts or development-helpers abroad, ASW leaves the responsibility of running the projects entirely to those people who have initiated them. ASW supports small projects over a number of years in order to allow them time to become established and capable of securing their own financial sources. Project support is only given to groups which have common, long-term goals, which are grounded in a local society.

Decisions regarding all aspects of the project must be reached democratically with the participation of women.

The ASW gives their support to:

1. Protection of the Environment
2. Womens' Empowerment
3. The Promotion of Social and Economic Rights

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Partner Centre for World Solidarity (CWS) in Hyderabad:  
E-Mail: cws@cwsy.org URL: <http://en.aswnet.de/#>

### **AEON Environmental Foundation: Assistance to Environmental NGOs**

**Deadline** NA  
**Amount** A total of 100 million yen (approx. USD 1,015,000) of grants is to be awarded every year  
**Eligibility** NPOs, NGOs and individuals that strive earnestly and continuously to conserve the global and regional environments.  
**Location** Developing countries and Japan  
**Summary** The AEON Environment Foundation was formed in 1991 with the object both of developing its own environmental conservation activities, and supporting the work of other groups with similar objectives.

The aid has been implemented ever year since 1991, and including the 16 year of support, 2006, a total of 1,623,390,000 yen (approx. USD 16,477,000) has been donated to 1,887 organizations. A total aid of 100 million yen was provided for field work focused on environmental conservation activities in developing countries and Japan in 2007. In addition, in order to advance global environmental conservation a step further, a new 100 million yen assistance to research institutes that are studying to reduce CO2.

The aims of their work:

1. To implement, aid, and otherwise support work aimed at ensuring environmental conservation in developing countries.
2. To implement, aid, and otherwise support environmental conservation work in tree-planting and afforestation areas.
3. To perform the work required to achieve other goals of the AEON Environmental Foundation.

**Contact** AEON Environmental Foundation; 1-5-1 Nakase, Mihama-ku, Chiba-City, Chiba-Prefecture, 261-8515, Japan. TEL : 043-212-6022 FAX : 043-212-6815  
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URL: <http://www.aeon.info/ef/en/ngo/index.html>  
(Home URL: <http://www.aeon.info/ef/en/index.html>)

### **African Capacity Building Program (ACBF)**

**Deadline** NA  
**Amount** The average grant size is about US\$ 2.0 million for projects and programs.



However, with the introduction of Full and Targeted-Intervention country programs under the Strategic Medium Term Plan, 2002-2006, the average grant size will vary depending on the type of intervention. For Full Interventions, the average grant size is US\$12.0 million, while for Targeted interventions, the average amounts to about US\$2.5 million.

<b>Eligibility</b>	All countries in sub-Saharan Africa are eligible for support by ACBF. The eligibility criteria therefore apply largely to projects and programs.
<b>Location</b>	The present coverage is 39 countries in sub-Saharan Africa and five sub-regions – West, Central, the Horn of Africa, East and Southern Africa.
<b>Summary</b>	The African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF), based in Harare, Zimbabwe, is an independent, capacity-building institution established on February 9, 1991 through the collaborative efforts of three multilateral institutions (the African Development Bank (AfDB), the World Bank, and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)), African governments and bilateral donors.

Provision of grants is an important component in the Foundation's capacity-building interventions. Through grant making the Foundation channels financial support to capacity building to strengthen the core public sector and its interface with the private sector and civil society, and to support regional initiatives in the area of specialized training, policy analysis, applied policy research, negotiation and policy advocacy. Grants are mainly provided to support core projects and programs. However, the Foundation also provides seed support for the emergence of suitable institutional frameworks for country-level coordination of capacity-building activities. Over the next five years, the Foundation's operational priorities will evolve around six core competence areas:

1. Economic policy analysis and management;
2. Financial management and accountability;
3. Strengthening of national statistics;
4. Public administration and management;
5. Strengthening of policy analysis capacity of national parliament;
6. Professionalization of the voices of the private sector and civil society.

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### **African Women's Development Fund**

<b>Deadline</b>	The AWDF makes grants in three cycles each year. Applications can be sent in at any time.
<b>Amount</b>	Organisations can apply for grants ranging from \$1,000 - \$40,000. Kindly note that most grants will be for less than the maximum. Grants over \$20,000 are only made to organisations which operate on a regional basis.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Organisations can be local, national, sub-regional or regional African women's organisations, from any part of Africa. Local women's organisations should send in the names of two referees, one of whom should be a member of a women's organisation that operates nationally.
<b>Location</b>	Any part of Africa

**Summary** The African Women's Development Fund (AWDF) funds local, national, sub-regional and regional organisations in Africa working towards women's empowerment. The AWDF is an institutional capacity-building and programme development fund, which aims to help build a culture of learning and partnerships within the African women's movement. In addition to awarding grants, the AWDF attempts to strengthen the organisational capacities of its grantees.

The AWDF funds work in six thematic areas: Women's Human Rights; Political Participation; Peace Building; Health, Reproductive Rights; Economic Empowerment; HIV/AIDS.

The AWDF prioritises programs, which develop and promote women's leadership and advocacy across all these themes. These thematic areas have been selected because they feature very highly on the agenda of African women and their organisations.

**Contact** African Women's Development Fund, Plot Number 78, Ambassadorial Enclave, East Legon – Ghana. Mailing Address: PMB CT 89 Cantonments, Accra, Ghana. Tel:+233 21 521257  
Email (Grants Department): [grants@awdf.org](mailto:grants@awdf.org) URL: <http://awdf.org/web/>

### **Aga Khan Foundation (AKF)**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** The Foundation is highly selective in its programme choices. The principal criterion is the potential for bringing lasting benefit to project participants. AKF measures its success by what its grantees achieve and the importance of what they have learned for projects elsewhere.

**Location** The Foundation's geographical spread currently encompasses activities in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Canada, India, Kenya, the Kyrgyz Republic, Mozambique, Pakistan, Portugal, Switzerland, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Uganda, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

**Summary** The Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) focuses on a small number of specific development problems by forming intellectual and financial partnerships with organisations sharing its objectives. Most Foundation grants are made to grassroots organisations testing innovative approaches in the field.

To make the most of its resources, the Aga Khan Foundation has a sharp focus, clearly defined objectives and a consistent approach to its work. It concentrates on selected issues in health, education, rural development and the strengthening of civil society with particular emphasis on community participation, gender, the environment, pluralism and human resource development.

AKF seeks sustainable solutions to long-term problems of poverty, hunger, illiteracy and ill-health with special emphasis on the needs of rural communities in mountainous, coastal and other resource-poor areas.

Grants are normally made to non-governmental organisations that share the Foundation's goals. In some cases, where there is no appropriate partner, the Foundation may help to create a new civil society organisation or may manage

projects directly. Grantees are selected without regard to origin, religion, gender or political association.

**Contact** The Aga Khan Development Network, P.O. Box 2049, 1211 Geneva 2, SWITZERLAND. Fax (+41 22) 909 7292 URL: <http://www.akdn.org/akf>

## **AGFUND International Prize**

**Deadline** Closing date for acceptance of nominations is April 30 every year.

**Amount** AGFUND Prize is classified into three categories in accordance with the nature of the implementing bodies of the nominated projects:

1. The First Category Prize: For projects implemented by UN, international and regional organizations, amounting to US\$ 150,000 (one hundred and fifty thousand dollars).
2. The Second Category Prize: For projects implemented by NGOs, amounting to US\$ 100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars).
3. The Third Category Prize: For projects founded, sponsored and/ or implemented by individuals, amounting to US\$ 50,000 (fifty thousand dollars).

**Eligibility** **Bodies eligible to nominate:**

The United Nations organizations, international and regional organizations, universities, research centers, NGOs, Governmental bodies (if not participating in the project implementation) and country federations of NGOs shall be eligible to submit nominations for the Prize.

**Projects eligible for nomination:**

1. Pioneering projects implemented by UN, international or regional organizations.
2. Pioneering projects implemented by non-governmental organizations.
3. Pioneering projects founded, sponsored and/ or implemented by individuals.

**Location** Developing countries

**Summary** AGFUND International Prize is an annual prize awarded by the Arab Gulf Programme for United Nations Development Organizations (AGFUND). The idea of the Prize was emanated from the keenness and continued endeavors of AGFUND to contribute to developmental action in the developing countries with the aim of alleviating human suffering and pain.

Objectives of the prize :

1. Supporting distinguished efforts aiming at developing and promoting the concepts and dimensions of sustainable human development.
2. Promoting the developmental action on scientific bases that could help it achieve its objectives.
3. Highlighting and enhancing pioneering efforts in the developing countries, which aim at establishing distinguished non-governmental organizations that work towards a better future, in which social security, justice and equality prevail.
4. Contributing to the achievement of AGFUND strategic objectives.

**Contact** P.O. Box 18371, Riyadh 11415, Saudi Arabia. Phone: +966 1 4418888  
Fax 1: +966 1 4412962 Fax 2: +966 1 4412963  
Email: [info@agfund.org](mailto:info@agfund.org); [prize@agfund.org](mailto:prize@agfund.org)  
URL: <http://www.agfund.org/english/about.htm>

## **Alexander Abraham Foundation**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

<b>Eligibility</b>	Applications are by invitation only. Unsolicited applications will be considered if the organization is able to further the foundation's goals and fit within the described guidelines.
<b>Location</b>	Central Africa and Asia
<b>Summary</b>	Originally founded by the Abraham family, the Alexander Abraham Foundation has redefined itself as not-for-profit organization with an environmental and conservation focus under the leadership of President Nancy Abraham. AAF is dedicated to conserving the environment and to defending indigenous wildlife with an emphasis on protection of endangered species.  The AAF pursues its mission at the local level by establishing relationships with partner organizations that work in the field and on the ground in Central Africa, and in Asia. By pursuing projects like these, AAF aims to build the capacity of its partners and promote their long-term sustainability.  The primary areas of interests are: 1. Environment and wildlife protection 2. Respect of the wildlife and the domesticated animals 3. Conservation Awards 4. Ecotourism 5. Alternative source of income for conservation (carbon or biodiversity credits, sustainable agriculture)
<b>Contact</b>	The Alexander Abraham Foundation, 232 East 62nd Street, New York, NY 10065. E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@aabrahamfoundation.org">info@aabrahamfoundation.org</a> URL: <a href="http://aabrahamfoundation.org/cms/index.php?id=62">http://aabrahamfoundation.org/cms/index.php?id=62</a>

### **Alexander Abraham Foundation (AAF) Award**

<b>Deadline</b>	NA
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	Applications are by invitation only. Unsolicited applications will be considered if the organization is able to further the foundation's goals and fit within the described guidelines.
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**Contact** The Alexander Abraham Foundation, 232 East 62nd Street, New York, NY 10065. E-mail: [info@aabrahamfoundation.org](mailto:info@aabrahamfoundation.org)  
URL: <http://aabrahamfoundation.org/cms/index.php?id=62>

### **Allen Foundation Inc.**

**Deadline** The next "deadline" for submission of proposals is midnight (Eastern Standard Time) on December 31st. Proposals received after this date will be considered for review the following year.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** Non-profit organization with Internal Revenue Service certification of 501(c) 3 tax-exempt status.

**Location** NA

**Summary** The Allen Foundation makes grants to projects that benefit human nutrition in the areas of education, training, and research. The policies and priorities of the Allen Foundation:

1. To make grants to fund relevant nutritional research.
2. To support programs for the education and training of mothers during pregnancy and after the birth of their children, so that good nutritional habits can be formed at an early age.
3. To assist in the training of persons to work as educators and demonstrators of good nutritional practices.
4. To encourage the dissemination of information regarding healthful nutritional practices and habits.
5. In limited situations to make grants to help solve immediate emergency hunger and malnutrition problems.

**Contact** Allen Foundation Inc., Post Office Box 1606, Midland, Michigan 48641-1606, USA. URL: <http://www.allenfoundation.org/>

### **American Anthropological Association (AAA): Solon T. Kimball Award for Public and Applied Anthropology**

**Deadline** Nomination packages must be submitted in time to be received by June 1, 2010.

**Amount** Through the generosity of an anonymous donor, the Solon T. Kimball Award for Public and Applied Anthropology now provides a \$1000 prize.

**Eligibility** The range of eligible nominees is unusually broad: the Kimball Award can be given to individuals or to a team (including collaborators outside of anthropology) and is not restricted by nationality, anthropological specialization, or type of employment. Nominations recognizing disciplinary path-breakers who are shaping and strengthening the discipline of anthropology, and which honor those who might otherwise be overlooked, are especially encouraged. Nominees for the Kimball Award may be proposed by others, or may be self-nominated.

**Location** No restrictions

**Summary** The Kimball Award offers an opportunity to honor exemplary anthropologists for outstanding recent achievements that have contributed to the development of anthropology as an applied science and have had important impacts on public policy. The anthropological contribution may be theoretical or methodological. The impact on public policy may be in any area, domestic or international, for example biodiversity, climate change, energy, international relations, medicine, public health, language conservation, education, criminal

justice, development, or cultural heritage.

**Contact** Nomination packages should be sent to: Solon Kimball Award Committee (Attn: Kathy Ano); American Anthropological Association; 2200 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 600; Arlington, VA 22201. Questions regarding nomination procedures may be directed to the chair of the award committee, P. J. Punttenney (pjpunt@umich.edu).  
URL: <http://www.aaanet.org/about/Prizes-Awards/Solon-Kimball-Award.cfm>

## **American Association of University Women (AAUW) Educational Foundation**

**Deadline** See website for updated deadline  
**Amount** Varies for each program  
**Eligibility** Varies for each program  
**Location** Varies for each program  
**Summary** One of the world's largest sources of funding exclusively for graduate women, the AAUW Educational Foundation supports aspiring scholars around the globe, teachers and activists in local communities, women at critical stages of their careers, and those pursuing professions where women are underrepresented.

- 1. American Fellowships** support women doctoral candidates completing dissertations and scholars seeking funds for postdoctoral research leave or for preparing completed research for publication. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. One-year postdoctoral research leave fellowships, dissertation fellowships, and summer/short-term research publication grants are offered.
- 2. Career Development Grants** support women who hold a bachelor's degree and who are preparing to advance their careers, change careers, or re-enter the work force. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- 3. Community Action Grants** provide seed money to individual women, AAUW branches and AAUW state organizations, as well as local community-based nonprofit organizations for innovative programs or non-degree research projects that promote education and equity for women and girls. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- 4. International Fellowships** are awarded for full-time graduate or postgraduate study or research to women who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- 5. Selected Professions Fellowships** are awarded to women who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents and who intend to pursue a full-time course of study (during the fellowship year) in designated degree programs where women's participation traditionally has been low.

**Contact** AAUW Educational Foundation, Dept. 60, 301 ACT Drive, Iowa City, IA 52243-4030. E-mail [aauw@act.org](mailto:aauw@act.org) Tel: 319/337-1716 ext. 60  
URL: [http://www.aauw.org/education/fga/fellowships\\_grants/index.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/education/fga/fellowships_grants/index.cfm)

## **American Jewish World Service**

**Deadline** NA  
**Amount** NA  
**Eligibility** Non-governmental and community-based organizations in Africa, Latin and the Caribbean, and Asia



**Location** AJWS is currently only accepting letters of inquiry from the following countries:  
1. Africa: Ethiopia, The Gambia, Kenya (northern areas ONLY), Nigeria (northern areas ONLY) 2. Asia: Afghanistan, Thailand, Burma, Cambodia, Sri Lanka, India (Bihar, Jharkand, Chhattisgarh ONLY); 3. Latin America: Bolivia, Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru

**Summary** AJWS's grantmaking supports grassroots communities in Africa, Asia and the Americas that are working to create a just and equitable world where human rights are universally recognized, where poverty, discrimination and violence no longer exist and where individuals are free to flourish and live their lives with dignity.

Thematic areas:

**1. Sustainable Livelihoods and Sustainable Development:** Building the capacity of grassroots organizations to attain economic and environmental sustainability, promote fair labor standards, and raise the social status of women and marginalized communities to meet their basic needs.

**2. Community Health:** Ensuring that communities achieve minimum standards of health through increased access to services, community engagement in disease prevention and control, the promotion of reproductive health and rights, and the elimination of gender-based violence.

**3. Education for All:** Facilitating access to quality primary and secondary education for all.

**4. Community Response to Conflict and Emergencies:** Supporting local organizations affected by disasters and conflict to move toward peace and development.

**5. Community Voice: Civic and Political Participation:** Facilitating community participation in the debate and design of policies and programs that affect their lives, prioritizing groups for which securing civil and political rights is a necessary stepping stone toward development.

AJWS will prioritize support for groups that are working on policy change in the four program areas listed above: Sustainable Livelihoods and Development, Community Health, Education for All and Community Engagement In Conflict and Emergencies.

**Contact** American Jewish World Service, 45 West 36th Street, New York, NY 10018, USA. t: 212.792.2900, 800.889.7146 f: 212.792.2930  
URL: [http://ajws.org/what\\_we\\_do/grantmaking/](http://ajws.org/what_we_do/grantmaking/) and [http://ajws.org/what\\_we\\_do/grantmaking/apply\\_for\\_a\\_grant1.html](http://ajws.org/what_we_do/grantmaking/apply_for_a_grant1.html)

## **Andrew W. Mellon Foundation: Conservation and the Environment**

**Deadline** See the website for updates on the Junior Faculty and Research Bridges to South Africa programs.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** United States, Latin America and South Africa.

**Summary** The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation currently makes grants in six core program areas:

1. Higher Education and Scholarship
2. Scholarly Communications
3. Research in Information Technology

4. Museums and Art Conservation
5. Performing Arts
6. Conservation and the Environment

Within each of its core programs, the Foundation concentrates most of its grantmaking in a few areas. Institutions and programs receiving support are often leaders in fields of Foundation activity, but they may also be promising newcomers, or in a position to demonstrate new ways of overcoming obstacles to achieve program goals. The Foundation's grantmaking philosophy is to build, strengthen and sustain institutions and their core capacities, rather than be a source for narrowly defined projects. As such, they develop thoughtful, long-term collaborations with grant recipients and invest sufficient funds for an extended period to accomplish the purpose at hand and achieve meaningful results.

The Foundation is in the process of ending several program activities, and grants in those areas are only open by invitation to extant grantees. The Junior Faculty and Research Bridges to South Africa programs currently have more proposals than can be dealt with fairly, and so new proposals are currently not accepted. These programs will be evaluated in June 2009.

The African and Latin American Plants Initiatives are partnerships of 120 herbaria from 40 countries working to create a database of high quality images of plant type specimens of African and Latin American plants. The grants are limited to institutions holding African and Latin American plant type specimens. The resulting database is available to scholars through [www.JSTOR.org](http://www.JSTOR.org). The Foundation will be glad to hear from any institutions holding African and/or Latin American plant type specimens that they have not yet reached.

**Contact** The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, 140 East 62nd Street, New York, NY 10065. Tel: (212) 838-8400 Fax: (212) 888-4172.  
Please direct all inquiries to: William Robertson IV, Program Officer, Conservation and the Environment. E-mail: [wr@mellon.org](mailto:wr@mellon.org)  
Tel: 212-500-2497 URL: [http://www.mellon.org/about\\_foundation/mission](http://www.mellon.org/about_foundation/mission)

### **Arab Science and Technology Foundation: Abdul Latif Jameel Grants**

**Deadline** There are two funding cycles per year. The most recent announcement for the ALJ Grant was on 22 March 2009. See website for the updated deadline.

**Amount** Average grant size for each project is in the range of USD \$25,000-\$50,000.

**Eligibility** Arab scientists inside the Arab World

**Location** The Arab region

**Summary** Since its establishment in April 2000, the Arab Science & Technology Foundation (ASTF) spares no efforts to support, promote and facilitate scientific Research and Development in the Arab World. On this track, ASTF has conducted many activities to strengthen the collaboration bonds between Arab Investors and Innovators, and to engage them in joint programs that serve the development of the Arab region.

The ALJ Grant program aims at enhancing civilian R&D activities inside the Arab world towards outputs that contribute to the sustained social and economic development. Emphases are placed on research proposals in medical,



engineering, applied sciences, and other sciences that are meeting the following requirements:

1. Provide appropriate technologies for developing the Arab world communities
2. Develop affordable products through designs, materials and mechanisms whilst building a suitable business plans and strategies that benefit the Arab world communities.
3. Address target markets including, but not limited to, energy, medical care, water purification, environmental hazardous, telecommunication, food safety, plant improvement and breeding, household equipment, and others.

Furthermore, one third of the ALJ Grant is to be utilised on projects that address the problems of the poor, as defined by one or more of the following requirements:

1. Aggressively improve the affordability of technology products such that the poor can use them.
2. Develop technologies that can be used by the poor to alleviate their current position.

**Contact** URL: <http://www.astf.net/site/index.asp>

### **Asahi Glass Foundation (AF): The Blue Planet Prize**

**Deadline** Nominations are solicited between August and October of each year from nominators from Japan and overseas. As a general rule, two recipients are chosen annually. In June of the following year, the recipients are announced and are invited to Tokyo in the autumn for the awards ceremony and commemorative lectures.

**Amount** Each recipient is presented with a certificate of merit, a commemorative trophy and a supplementary award of ¥50 million (approx. USD507,000).

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** In 1992, the year of the Earth Summit, the Asahi Glass Foundation established the Blue Planet Prize, an award presented to individuals or organizations worldwide in recognition of outstanding achievements in scientific research and its application that have helped provide solutions to global environmental problems. The Prize is offered in the hopes of encouraging efforts to bring about the healing of the Earth's fragile environment. 2008 (17th) Blue Planet Prize Winners were Dr. Claude Lorius (France), Director Emeritus of Research, CNRS, Member of the French Academy of Sciences; and José Goldemberg (Brazil), Professor, Institute of Electrotechnics and Energy, University of São Paulo, Former Rector, University of São Paulo.

**Contact** URL: <http://www.af-info.or.jp/en/blueplanet/about.html>

### **Ashden Awards for Sustainable Energy: Ashden International Awards 2010**

**Deadline** Applications for the 2010 Awards are open from July 2009 with a closing date of 20 October 2009.

**Amount** An Ashden International Award brings:

1. An Award fund of £20,000 or £40,000
2. A short documentary film of the Award winning work
3. Local and international publicity

#### 4. Tailored support to help the Award-winning work go further.

In 2010 there will be up to six international Award winners. One will win the overall energy champion Award which has an Award fund of £40,000. All others will win Awards funds of £20,000. The energy champion Award will be for the work which the judges consider has brought the most significant benefits, and has the greatest ability to scale up or be replicated.

#### Eligibility

The international awards are for organisations working in rural and urban communities in developing economies which do not have developed world standards of living. These are most likely to be in Africa, Latin America and southern and eastern Asia. Businesses, NGOs, social enterprises and government organisations are all eligible to apply for Ashden Awards.

#### Location Summary

Africa, Asia and Latin America

The Ashden Awards bring to light inspiring sustainable energy solutions in the UK and developing world and help ensure that they are spread more widely. From an entrepreneur rolling out solar power across rural India to a school adopting clean energy and green learning in England, the Award winners are passionate about bringing change to their communities and the planet. Since setting up in 2001, the Awards have helped more than 100 innovative projects develop their work. Today the Awards are an internationally recognised yardstick for excellence in the field of sustainable energy.

The International Awards are given for schemes that use renewable energy or energy efficiency measures to improve people's social and economic prospects, and at the same time tackle climate change and other environmental threats, such as deforestation. The 'scheme' can refer to a specific programme, or to a product or service that has been proven on the market.

The key criteria for a scheme to win an Ashden International Award are:

**1. It has been delivering sustainable energy at a local level for at least one year.** The Awards do not reward start-up, pilot or demonstration projects; they only reward schemes that have been successfully operating in the community and delivering sustainable energy at a local level for at least one year.

**2. It is delivering real social and economic benefits to individuals and communities.** Benefits could include improvements in quality of life, health and welfare, educational facilities or income-generating activities. Schemes must respect local culture and customs.

**3. It is delivering demonstrable benefits to the environment.** A need to see evidence of the energy generated or saved, greenhouse gas emissions reduced and benefits to the local environment, such as avoided deforestation.

**4. It has the capacity to expand, and is replicable.** The Awards want to showcase schemes that have significant potential to grow and be followed by others, and that will encourage the widespread uptake of local, sustainable energy.

**5. It should be financially sustainable, or close to this.** It is unlikely that awards for schemes which will always require significant amounts of grant funding will be made.

**6. It shows an innovative approach to sustainable energy.** Many Award-winners use established technologies, but there must be innovative aspects to the scheme as a whole. These could include technical developments like mini-grids; novel approaches to marketing; better financing schemes; training and

skills development; introducing a technology to a different country or region.

**7. It must be run by an organisation with the capacity and commitment to expand the scheme.** Award-winning organisations must demonstrate good governance and management, a continuing commitment to sustainable energy, and a willingness to work with others such as finance organisations or training providers.

**8. There are clear plans to use the Award funds for expansion, replication and dissemination of the Award-winning work.**

Award-winning work is likely to provide benefits in one or more of the following areas:

**1. Food security:** Renewable energy can be used in any part of the food supply chain, from growing, processing, storage and cooking, through to marketing and distribution.

**2. Health, education and welfare:** Renewable energy can be used directly in healthcare facilities and schools (including providing light, refrigeration, sterilisation and communications), and provide light for study at home. It can also bring improvements to health in homes or schools (including reducing smoke from stoves, and improving sanitation).

**3. Light and power for homes and businesses:** Renewable electricity can power clean, efficient portable lamps or fixed lighting for homes or community buildings both in areas which are not connected to grid power, and also where mains electricity is unreliable or unaffordable. Small scale renewable electricity can also enable businesses and social services to develop.

**4. Providing livelihoods:** Many winners have shown how renewable energy can provide livelihoods and increase income.

**5. Avoiding deforestation:** Using wood as a fuel contributes to deforestation in many countries, and several Award-winners have found practical ways to replace wood.

**Contact** The Ashden Awards for Sustainable Energy, Allington House, 150 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 5AE. Telephone: +44 (0)20 7410 0330  
Email: [info@ashdenawards.org](mailto:info@ashdenawards.org) URL: <http://www.ashdenawards.org/>

### **ATSE Crawford Fund: Derek Tribe Award**

**Deadline** The previous deadline was 1 May 2009. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** The recipient will undertake a visit of about two weeks to agricultural centres in Australia with the intention of enhancing networking and linkages between the recipient's home institution and country with similar bodies and individuals in Australia. In addition, the recipient will attend a seminar, or other public event, nominated by The Crawford Fund, to receive the award and to deliver an address to be termed The Crawford Fund Derek Tribe Award Address.

**Eligibility** The Award is open to citizens of developing countries.

**Location** Developing countries

**Summary** The Award is made in recognition of distinguished contributions to the application of research in agriculture and natural resource management in a developing country or countries.

**Contact** The ATSE Crawford Fund, One Geils Court, Deakin 2600, ACT Australia  
T: (02) 6285 8308 [Crawford@crawfordfund.org](mailto:Crawford@crawfordfund.org)  
URL: <http://www.crawfordfund.org/awards/dtaward.htm>

## ATSE Crawford Fund: Training Programs

Deadline	Project proposals are welcomed throughout the year
Amount	NA
Eligibility	Initial project ideas should be addressed to the appropriate Research Program Manager (RPM). Suggestions may come from individuals, research institutions or government organisations in developing countries or Australia. Others can arise from ACIAR-sponsored workshops or from high-level consultations that are held on a three-yearly cycle with our major partner countries. If the idea fits ACIAR and partner country criteria, and funds are likely to be available, the RPM may invite the proponent to develop the idea into a formal proposal in conjunction with potential partners.
Location	Countries where regular formal consultations are held: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma (Myanmar), Cambodia, China, East Timor, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Laos, Pacific Island Countries: Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga; Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, <b>Southern Africa</b> , Thailand, Vietnam.
Summary	<p>ACIAR R&amp;D programs are responsible for developing, monitoring and evaluating projects. Multilateral R&amp;D is delivered through a combination of core funding to International Agricultural Research Centres (IARCs) and funding of individual projects, administered by program areas. Overall responsibility rests with the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, R&amp;D Programs. ACIAR's teams of Research Managers and staff, with particular experience and skill in the major agricultural and natural resource management, forestry, fisheries and economics disciplines relevant to developing countries, are critical to ACIAR's role as a facilitator and funder of agricultural research for development.</p> <p>These disciplines are broadly clustered around the areas of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Economics programs: Agribusiness; Agricultural Development Policy, Agricultural Systems Management.</li><li>2. Crops Systems programs: Crop Improvement and Management; Cropping Systems and Economics; Pacific Crops; Horticulture.</li><li>3. Natural Resources Management programs: Land and Water Resources, Soil Management and Crop Nutrition, Forestry.</li><li>4. Livestock Systems program: Animal Health, Livestock Production Systems, Fisheries.</li></ol>
Contact	ACIAR's Deputy Chief Executive Officer (responsible for R&D Programs), Dr John Skerritt. Tel: +61 2 6217 0559 E-mail: <a href="mailto:skerritt@aciar.gov.au">skerritt@aciar.gov.au</a> URL: <a href="http://www.aciar.gov.au/ACIARs-research-programs">http://www.aciar.gov.au/ACIARs-research-programs</a>

## Australian Center for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR)

Deadline	ACIAR welcomes ideas for new projects at any time. Initial project ideas should be addressed to the appropriate Research Program Manager (RPM). See here for list: <a href="http://www.aciar.gov.au/research-managers">http://www.aciar.gov.au/research-managers</a>
Amount	NA
Eligibility	Suggestions may come from individuals, research institutions or government organisations in developing countries or Australia. Others can arise from ACIAR-sponsored workshops or from high-level consultations that are held on a three-yearly cycle with their major partner countries.

<b>Location</b>	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma (Myanmar), Cambodia, China, East Timor, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Laos, Pacific Island Countries (Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga), Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Southern Africa, Thailand, and Vietnam
<b>Summary</b>	ACIAR is an Australian Government statutory authority that operates as part of Australia's Aid Program within the portfolio of Foreign Affairs and Trade. It contributes to the aid program objectives of advancing Australia's national interest through poverty reduction and sustainable development.

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These disciplines are broadly clustered around the areas of:

- 1. Economics:** Agribusiness Program; Agricultural Development Policy Program; Agricultural Systems Management Program.
- 2. Crops:** Crop Improvement and Management Program; Cropping Systems and Economics Program; Pacific Crops Program; Horticulture Program
- 3. Natural resources management:** Land and Water Resources Program; Soil Management and Crop Nutrition Program; Forestry program
- 4. Livestock and fisheries:** Animal Health Program; Livestock Production Systems Program; Fisheries Program (see more information below).

ACIAR's **Fisheries Program** aims to improve the productivity and sustainability of fisheries and aquatic farming systems in partner countries and in Australia through innovative resource management approaches; the elimination of serious adverse environmental impacts arising from fishing or farming practices; better utilisation of existing harvests; and the development of productive and sustainable aquatic farming systems.

### **International Agricultural Research Centres**

The objective of ACIAR's multilateral program is to ensure that funds provided by Australia for research conducted by the international agricultural research system are used effectively, and that benefits flow to developing countries and Australia.

<b>Contact</b>	ACIAR, 38 Thynne Street, Fern Hill Park, BRUCE ACT. Tel: (02) 6217 0500 (Int. Code 612) Fax: (02) 6217 0501 (Int. Code 612) URL: <a href="http://www.aciar.gov.au/home">http://www.aciar.gov.au/home</a>
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### **Australian Government (AusAID)**

<b>Deadline</b>	NA
<b>Amount</b>	Regional program estimate for 2008-09: \$60 million. Total ODA: \$116.4 million
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	Australia continues to provide selective assistance to Africa and the Middle East, primarily working through international and non-government

organisations.

**Summary** The Australian Government's overseas aid program is a federally funded program that aims to reduce poverty in developing countries. The Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID) manages the program. The aim of the program is to assist developing countries reduce poverty and achieve sustainable development, in line with Australia's national interest.

Australia is developing a new strategy for development assistance to Africa. This will see a significant increase in Australian assistance to support progress towards the Millennium Development Goals. They will continue to work with the World Food Programme, UNICEF, the World Bank and the British Department for International Development to deliver aid in Africa.

Australia has a strong record in responding to humanitarian situations in Africa and will continue to help ease the impact of humanitarian crises. Humanitarian assistance will increasingly be linked to broader development efforts in order to achieve long-term gains and, while Australia's humanitarian aid for Africa is relatively small, they will maintain their niche role and strategic approach. They will also continue to closely coordinate our assistance with that of other donors, particularly in relation to a distinct program of support for vulnerable Zimbabweans.

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### **Australian Government (AusAID): Australia Africa Fellowships**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** Applications are restricted to Australian organisations. Australian organisations from a wide range of academic, research, business, industry, media, NGOs, professional groups and government may apply to host Australia Africa fellows. To qualify, organisations will be required to demonstrate relevance of the proposed programs to the priority areas.

**Location** NA

**Summary** Australia Africa Fellowships (AAF) are a component of the Australian Scholarships for Africa program. Australia Africa Fellowships are for short term study, research and professional attachment programs in Australia delivered by Australian organisations. The program includes postgraduate level Australian Development Scholarships and a limited number of short-term fellowships under the Australia Africa Fellowships Program.

Through the AAF Program, AusAID aims to increase the number of leaders and professionals capable of advancing regional reform, development and governance in Africa. It will increase exchange of knowledge and information within Africa and build common purpose and understanding between Australia and Africa through the development of effective networks. Australia Africa Fellowships complement the longer term Australian Development Scholarship by providing opportunities to senior officials and mid-career professionals who cannot leave their positions for extended periods. Australia Africa Fellowships



are available only in the nominated fields of extractive industries governance and project management (infrastructure development).

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### **Baring Foundation: The Joint International Development programme**

**Deadline** The 2009 deadline has passed and new grants will be announced in October. The programme will be opening again in 2010.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** The Baring Foundation was set up in 1969 to give money to charities and voluntary organisations pursuing charitable purposes. In 40 years, the Foundation has given over £98 million in grants. Their budget for grant-making in 2009 is £2.2 million.

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URL: <http://www.baringfoundation.org.uk/>

### **Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)**

**Deadline** You can submit applications at any time (responsive mode) for consideration by one of the 4 Research Committees. There are four rounds of application deadlines: January, April, July and October

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** BBSRC is one of 7 Research Councils that work together as Research Councils UK (RCUK). It is funded from the Government's Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills (DIUS). It's mission is to promote and support, by any means, high-quality basic, strategic and applied research and related postgraduate training relating to the understanding and exploitation of biological systems.

**1. Research priorities are:** Ageing research: lifelong health and wellbeing; Bioenergy; Global security; Living with environmental change; Nanoscience through engineering to application: bionanotechnology; Systems approach to biological research; Synthetic biology; Technology development for bioscience; Animal health; Crop science (food security).

**2. Policy priorities are:** Economic and social impact; Impact on public policy; Increased international collaboration; Replacement, refinement and reduction (3Rs) in research using animals.

**3. Funding areas are:** Animal systems, health and wellbeing; Plants, microbes, food & sustainability; Technological and methodological development; Molecules, cells and industrial biotechnology.

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## Bioversity International

<b>Deadline</b>	Vavilov-Frankel Fellowship: 9 November 2008. Abdou Salam Ouédraogo Fellowship: 30 May 2008. Forest Genetic Resources Fellowship: 3 November 2008 See website for updated deadlines.
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	Vavilov-Frankel Fellowship: Applications are invited from nationals of developing countries, aged 35 or under, holding a masters degree (or equivalent) and/or doctorate in a relevant subject area. The list of eligible countries is available on the World Bank web site: <a href="http://siteresources.worldbank.org/DATASTATISTICS/Resources/CLASS.XLS">http://siteresources.worldbank.org/DATASTATISTICS/Resources/CLASS.XLS</a> ("Income group": "low-income" and "lower-middle income" only).
<b>Location</b>	NA
<b>Summary</b>	Bioversity International, Bioversity for short, is the operating name of the International Plant Genetic Resources Institute (IPGRI) and the International Network for Improvement of Banana and Plantain (INIBAP).

The purpose of Bioversity's work is to ensure that individuals and institutions are able to make optimal use of agricultural biodiversity to meet current and future development needs of people and societies. To achieve this purpose, Bioversity concentrates on six focus areas:

1. Developing and implementing strategies for global collaboration to conserve and use genetic resources for food and agriculture that focus on policies, genetic resources information systems and awareness raising
2. Monitoring the status and trends of useful diversity, including locating diversity in situ and genetic erosion
3. Enhancing the ex situ conservation and use of diversity of useful species
4. Conservation and sustainable use of important wild species
5. Managing agricultural biodiversity for better nutrition, improved livelihoods and sustainable production systems for the poor
6. Conserving and promoting the use of diversity of selected high value crops for the poor.

One of Bioversity International's objectives is to enable human and institutional capacity to better conserve and make effective and sustainable use of agricultural biodiversity. To meet that goal, Bioversity International offers three targeted research fellowship schemes:

### **1. Vavilov-Frankel Fellowship**

The aim of the Vavilov-Frankel Fellowship Fund is to encourage the conservation and use of plant genetic resources by enabling outstanding young scientists to carry out relevant, innovative research outside their own countries for a period of between three months and one year. Two Fellowship opportunities were available in 2009 to carry out research on conservation and use of Plant Genetic Resources. One of the Fellowships will be supported by Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., United States. The second Fellowship is supported by the Grains Research and Development Corporation, Australia.

### **2. Abdou Salam Ouédraogo Fellowship in forestry for Sub-Saharan Africa**

Bioversity's Abdou-Salam Ouédraogo Fellowship offers support for research on conservation and use of forest genetic resources. It involves linking young African scientists with international research institutions in forestry and natural resources management.



### 3. Forest Genetic Resources Fellowship

Bioversity, in collaboration with the Austrian Federal Research and Training Centre for Forests, Natural Hazards and Landscape (BFW), Department of Genetics, awards two-year fellowships on Forest Genetic Resources to outstanding young scientists.

The two-year fellowship is awarded to a selected individual from respective national programme, identified on the basis of research innovation and practical relevance of the research topic to the home institute and country. It will take the form of a research project conducted at the BFW's Department of Genetics.

The individual work programme is elaborated together with the host and the applicant's home institutes. BFW's Department of Genetics will host the fellow in its laboratories and will provide the technical backstopping and laboratory facilities.

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### The Blue Link

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Africa, Asia

**Summary** The Blue Link initiates, manages and participates in companies that show solid commercial returns and considerable development impact in emerging markets in developing countries. The Blue Link currently operates from offices in the Netherlands, Kenya and Pakistan.

In the Pakistani Punjab, The Blue Link is developing a position in the dairy farming sector through our company ProFarm Pakistan. ProFarm sells high quality bovine semen to dairy farmers through the establishment of a sales and service infrastructure in the Punjab. The Blue Link is currently involved in setting up related businesses in this sector.

In Kenya, The Blue Link is running the TBL Mirror Fund, that invests in companies in the Kenyan Small and Medium Enterprises sector. The Blue Link is currently exploring to set up additional investment services for Sub Sahara countries.

All enterprises of The Blue Link start with a clear market demand in the countries of operation. The Blue Link works with local partners to set up local entities that manage and develop new business. The Blue Link has a wide network of investors and experts available who are matched with the new businesses. Using its business development and management expertise The Blue Link thus establishes and manages new, innovative and well networked companies.

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### **British Ecological Society: Overseas Bursaries**

- Deadline** The deadline is the 1st of September. Applications will be considered on an annual basis.
- Amount** Each grant is normally up to £7,000 over an 18 month period and is intended for the purchase of the basic tools needed to conduct a research project, limited in-country travel and in some cases part of the applicant's salary.
- Eligibility** Currently the grants are restricted to citizens of African countries and associated islands.
- Location** Africa
- Summary** The British Ecological Society (BES) Overseas Bursaries scheme provides grants for ecologists in developing countries to carry out innovative ecological research. It aims to support excellent ecological science in Africa. Funding is for innovative ecological research. Funding is for any area of ecological science excluding research focused solely on agriculture, forestry and bioprospecting. Survey work may only be considered for funding where it can be clearly shown that it is needed as preliminary work for a longer term research project.
- Contact** The British Ecological Society, 26 Blades Court, Putney, London SW15 2NU, UK. Tel: +44 (0)20 8871 9797. Fax: +44 (0)20 8871 9779.  
E-mail: info@BritishEcologicalSociety.org  
URL: <http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/grants/research/ob.php>

### **British Nutrition Foundation: The Denis Burkitt Study Awards**

- Deadline** Closing date: 31st January, 2009. See website for updated deadline.
- Amount** Up to ten Awards will be presented and these will usually be a minimum amount of £750, although the level of financial support will be directly related to the quality and significance of the research proposal and the requirements of the application.
- Eligibility** The Awards Scheme is for university students in the UK and Ireland (undergraduate and Masters) who are undertaking a research project as part of their studies in nutrition science, medicine or related subjects.
- Location** Developing country or countries
- Summary** The award can be used as a contribution towards travel costs for elective projects and/or other research costs such as small equipment, laboratory costs, biomedical resources etc, although projects without direct costs (e.g. literature reviews) will also be considered. In order to qualify for an Award, the project must centre on food and nutrition and their relationship to health and disease in a developing country or countries. Applicants must demonstrate that their proposed research fulfills a gap in current knowledge and contributes to current thinking in the field of nutrition science chosen.

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## **Budweiser Renewable Energy and Wildlife Conservation Research Prize**

**Deadline** NA  
**Amount** NA  
**Eligibility** NA  
**Location** NA  
**Summary** “The Budweiser Renewable Energy and Wildlife Conservation Research Prize is not being offered in 2008.”  
**Contact** NA

## **Canadian Federation of University Women: Fellowships and Grants**

**Deadline** The last Fellowships Competition application information for Academic Year 2010-2011 was posted in May 2009. See website for updated deadline.  
**Amount** See “Summary” section  
**Eligibility** Canadian Citizen or a landed immigrant (except for the Dr. A. Vibert Douglas International Fellowship). Eligibility for all fellowships and awards is restricted to women.  
**Location** See “Summary” section  
**Summary**  
**1. Dr. A. Vibert Douglas International Fellowship**  
Valued at \$12 000,  
Awarded triennially to a member of International Federation of University Women (IFUW) or one of its affiliates, living and studying abroad from her country of origin. The Fellowship is intended to enhance the original research or scholarship in which a postgraduate applicant is already engaged. As such, applicants must have completed the first year of doctoral studies.  
**2. CFUW Dr. Margaret McWilliams Pre-Doctoral Fellowship**  
2009 - 2010 Value: \$13,000  
The applicant must have completed at least one full calendar year as a full-time student in doctoral level studies, and be a full-time student, at the time of application. She may be studying abroad.  
**3. CFUW Memorial Fellowship**  
2009 - 2010 Value: \$10,000  
The applicant must be enrolled in a masters degree program in science, mathematics, or engineering in the 2009-2010 academic year. She may be studying abroad.  
**4. CFUW Dr. Alice E. Wilson Awards**  
2009 - 2010 Value: Five (5) Awards of \$6,000 Each  
Two (2) awards at the masters level and three (3) for doctoral level study.  
Awarded to mature students returning to graduate studies in any field, with special consideration given to those returning to study after at least three years.  
**5. CFUW 1989 École Polytechnique Commemorative Award**  
2009 - 2010 Value: \$7,000

For graduate studies in any field. The applicant must justify the relevance of her work to women.

#### **6. CFUW Bourse Georgette Lemoyne**

2009 - 2010 Value: \$7,000

For graduate study in any field at a Canadian university. The candidate must be studying in French.

**Contact** Fellowships Program Manager, 251 Bank Street, Suite 305, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, K2P 1X3. Tel: 613 234 8252 Fax: 613 234 8221 URL: [http://www.cfuw.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=category&sectionid=7&id=85&Itemid=88](http://www.cfuw.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=category&sectionid=7&id=85&Itemid=88)

### **Cape Biotech**

*Formerly Cape Biotech Trust*

**Deadline** Depending on the status and the complexity of the proposal, it usually takes between 2 – 6 months from the submission date to finalising the legal contract. Please make sure to discuss your proposal with the CBT team before submitting the final version.

**Amount** Cape Biotech is currently offering 2 MBA thesis sponsorships of R10, 000 (approx. USD1,000) to life science students enrolled in a MBA program.

**Eligibility** Qualification criteria for the MBA program:

1. Enrolled in an MBA program in one of the accredited business schools in South Africa
2. A biotech industry topic must be covered for their research report
3. The research topic must be chosen within consultation with Cape Biotech
4. A final copy of the research report and the data gathered must be supplied on submission of the research report

**Location** South Africa

**Summary** The Cape Biotech Trust was born in 2002, from the Cape Biotech Initiative, which had been established by the biotechnology stakeholders of the Western Cape, as a forum to facilitate communication between researchers, industry and government. Cape Biotech represents the Biotechnology Regional Innovation Centre (BRIC) for the Western Cape and is one of the four centers established around the country to implement the national biotechnology strategy. Co-operation and collaboration between these centers ensures national cohesiveness and development.

#### **Capacity Development (Skills Development):**

##### **1. MBA sponsorship**

The Cape Biotech MBA thesis sponsorship programme was initiated as a means to encourage and support the development of the cross-over science-business skills that are required to support the biotech industry in South Africa.

##### **2. Internship program**

The purpose of the internship program is to provide unemployed life science graduates with the opportunity to gain valuable work experience in the biotechnology industry. Pre-seed Grants are made available to support business development and feasibility studies.

Cape Biotech's main focus areas and the companies supported within each focus areas are detailed below.

##### **1. Health Care**

a. Point of care diagnostics: The development and manufacturing of novel,

cost-effective, easy-to-use, point-of-care diagnostics for major developing world health issues which are relevant to South African Society. (DISA Vascular, Centre for Proteomic and Genomic Research (CPGR).

b. Combination and Conjugate Vaccines: The end-to-end development of medium-cost and volume therapeutic and prophylactic vaccines, to address the key health challenges facing the South African people and developing nations (Biovac).

c. Drug Delivery: The development of affordable drug delivery platforms and generic actives, to improve the effectiveness of treatments for first and developing world diseases relevant to South Africa (Shimoda).

## **2. Bio - Processing**

a. Nutraceuticals from Biotech Processes: The promotion of the nutraceuticals industries in the Cape, that utilize biotech processes to create employment and export revenues through products which address healthcare and nutritional deficiencies in South Africa and the developing world (Natural Carotenoids South Africa (NCSA), Cape Carotene, SunBio, Cape Kingdom).

b. High Throughput Bioprospecting: The development and licensing of novel, natural and new chemical entities (NCEs) to address the key health challenges facing South Africa and other developing nations. Through collaborations, an extensive medical compound library from South Africa's rich biodiversity will be systematically created, to explore the creation of safe and effective NCEs (Kapa Biosystems).

c. Opportunistic: The investment into a high quality, late stage commercial projects, which lie outside the existing focus areas of the trust, but which contribute to the bio-economy (Synexa, BioCareers).

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## **Cargill Corporate Giving Program**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** The Cargill Citizenship Fund provides strategic grants to organizations serving communities where Cargill has a presence.

**Summary** Cargill is committed to being a global leader in corporate citizenship by nourishing the people and possibilities that reside in communities where they do business. Citizenship is defined as the total impact on society and the environment. Citizenship includes: responsible business practices; promoting a sustainable environment; engaging our workforce and ensuring their safety; providing a measurable, positive impact in our communities.

Part of being a good citizen is giving back to the community with financial resources, time and talent. Globally, Cargill contributes more than \$37 million a year—2 percent of their global pre-tax earnings—to charities and community causes. The focus is primarily in three areas: health and nutrition; innovation in education; and stewardship of natural resources.

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## Carnegie Corporation of New York: International Program

<b>Deadline</b>	The Corporation accepts requests for funding at all times of the year and welcomes inquiries from potential grantees whose work fits their strategic guidelines. There are no application deadlines.
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	International Development: Geographic focus is restricted to African countries that are or have been members of the British Commonwealth as of 1948.
<b>Summary</b>	The International Program focuses on the seemingly inexorable growth of globalization, the danger of deepening fragmentation along cultural, regional and religious divides and the role of developing countries in advancing global cohesion and prosperity.

### 1. Higher Education in sub-Saharan Africa and Eurasia

Emerging countries need first-rate universities to train political, business, nonprofit and academic leaders. But in much of Africa and Eurasia, declining financial resources in the 1980s and the 1990s have led to deteriorated conditions. The Corporation has focused on strengthening universities and academic communities in sub-Saharan Africa and Eurasia since 1999. Moving forward, it will address these concerns by supporting:

- a. A set of leading universities in selected sub-Saharan Africa countries: South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Ghana and Nigeria.
- b. Individual capacity building programs in selected African countries.
- c. Research, dissemination and outreach on the educational landscape in selected sub-Saharan African countries.
- d. The Partnership for Higher Education in Africa--a collaborative effort of Carnegie Corporation and the Ford, Rockefeller, MacArthur, Hewlett, Mellon and Kresge foundations--and investing in higher education in Africa.
- e. Centers for Advanced Study and Education (CASEs)--a set of university-based centers in Russia and Eurasia aimed at promoting academic research, publications and networks.

### 2. Libraries and Information

As with universities, libraries are levers of change within societies, particularly in developing countries, because access to knowledge and information is a critical factor in modernization, advancement and economic competitiveness. In the resource-scarce environment of African countries, where libraries are given a low priority by governments and international funders alike, the Corporation has been making major investments, particularly in sub-Saharan African libraries. To date, support has focused on collection development, automation, staff training, public Internet access, access to global databases and networks, e-resources and community services. Moving forward, the Corporation will support:

- a. Creation of model libraries by updating and digitizing key public and university libraries in sub-Saharan Africa.
- b. Development of innovative technology and processes that offer access to information to public and university libraries.

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URL: <http://www.carnegie.org/index.html>



## **Centre for Environmental Economics and Policy in Africa (CEEPA): Research Grants**

<b>Deadline</b>	The last deadline was 31 July 2008. See website for updated deadline.
<b>Amount</b>	The Research Grant will fund research projects for up to a maximum amount of US\$15,000.00 per project. Members of the research team of funded projects will also enjoy additional support through technical and scientific mentorship arrangements and participation in CEEPA research workshops and other activities.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Eligible candidates include all researchers working in the field of environmental economics in Africa.
<b>Location</b>	Africa
<b>Summary</b>	The Centre for Environmental Economics and Policy in Africa (CEEPA) is mandated to enhance the capacity of African researchers to conduct environmental economics and policy inquiry of relevance to African problems and increase the awareness of environmental and economic managers and policy makers of the role of environmental economics in sustainable development. With funding from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), and International Development Research Centre (IDRC), CEEPA will be implementing the first phase of a regional program to strengthen research capacity in environmental economics and policy in Africa over the next three years.

Under this program, Research Grants are awarded on a competitive basis to research projects annually to increase capacity in research in environmental economics in the region. CEEPA encourages research proposals that focus mainly on broader issues in environmental economics and policy in African countries. Proposals that seek to suggest alternative strategies, policies and programs to reduce present and future environmental burdens in African countries, as well as proposals whose potential output could lead to improvement in monitoring and measurement of changes in environmental phenomenon are also encouraged.

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## **Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE)**

<b>Deadline</b>	NA
<b>Amount</b>	CIPE has no maximum or minimum grant amounts; however, applicants should not propose projects which cannot reasonably be supported by their existing administrative structure or which can be sustained only with continued CIPE funding.
<b>Eligibility</b>	CIPE welcome grant proposals from non-profit organizations throughout the world.
<b>Location</b>	CIPE's priority is to support projects in countries where conditions provide greatest potential for lasting success. In general CIPE projects will be in countries that: 1. Show at least some characteristics of a political democracy 2. Have an economic base that is sufficient to support a private sector business

community and 3. Have a government inclined toward, or at least tolerant of, pragmatic economic policies and private sector growth.

**Summary** Throughout the world, private enterprise and individual initiative are increasingly recognized as essential sources of economic growth and human progress. The Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE), an affiliate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, assists other countries, through their private sectors, to enhance democracy and private enterprise as a basis for prosperity and individual freedom.

CIPE's overall purpose is to encourage the growth of private enterprise principles and organizations that contribute to democratic development. Democracy requires the development of institutions based on individual freedom, incentive, initiative, opportunity, responsibility and voluntary association. Private enterprise systems both benefit from and provide support for these same views. By building business organizations committed to the values of private enterprise and democracy, CIPE plays a key role in encouraging and sustaining democratic transitions.

To carry out that purpose, CIPE has identified the following program objectives:

1. To support the growing interest in market economics and private enterprise among government leaders and society in general.
2. To promote business participation in democratic political and policy processes.
3. To increase the base of business talent in the developing world.
4. To encourage interest in privatizing state-owned firms and deregulating economic systems.
5. To increase public understanding and appreciation of the role of the entrepreneur in economic growth.
6. To build independent business organizations.

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### **The Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society: International Fellows Program**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** Each fellowship covers the cost of tuition and includes a \$1,300-per month stipend (taxable) to cover living and research-related expenses. In addition, the Center will also provide single-room dormitory accommodations with shared facilities at International House (adjacent to Columbia University), as well as economy round-trip air travel to and from New York City.

**Eligibility** The program is open to scholars and practitioners interested in building Third-Sector capacity in the United States and overseas. 2009 Fellows will be selected from abroad and also from communities of color under-represented in the U.S. grantmaking sector.

**Location** Fellows are based at The Graduate Center of The City University of New York, where they design and pursue an individualized research project and participate in a seminar with Third-Sector leaders.

**Summary** The Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society's Emerging Leaders International Fellows Program provides leadership training through applied research and



professional mentorships for young scholar-practitioners in the nonprofit sector. The research topic for applicants to the 2009 Emerging Leaders Program, including the program's Diversity Fellowship, is community foundations.

Fellows will participate in a 3-month seminar (Monday March 2 to Friday May 29, 2009) on the U.S. and international voluntary sectors. Fellows are expected to produce a 25-page research paper on their findings, which will be presented in the seminar. They will learn about the work of key agencies and meet with foundation and nonprofit representatives. They will also attend selected workshops or conferences.

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### Center for Tropical Forest Science

**Deadline** Grants are awarded annually. Submissions will be accepted yearly. The last deadline for applications was on April 15, 2009. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** The majority of the CTFS research grants will be in the \$3,000-\$30,000 range. The CTFS Grants Program will make awards for projects three months to three years in length.

**Eligibility** The CTFS Grants Program is open to all researchers, from graduate students to senior scientists. In some cases, advanced undergraduates will also be considered. Preference will be given to scientists in the countries with CTFS sites and to all graduate students and postdoctoral researchers. Applicants of all nationalities are welcome to apply.

**Location** Click to see CTFS plots: <http://www.ctfs.si.edu/plots/>

**Summary** The Center for Tropical Forest Science (CTFS) is a global network of forest research plots committed to the study of tropical and temperate forest function and diversity. The multi-institutional network comprises more than thirty forest research plots across the Americas, Africa, Asia, and Europe, with a strong focus on tropical regions. CTFS monitors the growth and survival of some 3 million trees of approximately 7,500 species.

CTFS conducts long-term large-scale research on forests around the world to: Increase scientific understanding of forest ecosystems; Inform sustainable forest management and natural-resource policy; and Build capacity in forest science.

CTFS supports research associated with the CTFS network of forest plots through the Research Grants Program. The grant program provides opportunities for senior researchers, postdoctoral fellows, and graduate students to use existing CTFS plots to conduct research with scientists affiliated with them. Projects can be field-oriented, herbarium- or laboratory-based, or analytical. Research projects can be either basic or applied in nature. Social scientists and natural scientists are encouraged to apply.

**Contact** From outside USA: Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, CTFS Grants Program, Apartado 0843-03092, Balboa, Ancón Panamá, República de Panamá

From USA: Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, CTFS Grants Program,  
MRC 0580-12, Unit 9100 Box 0948, APO AA 34002-9998, USA  
For additional information, please contact: Adriana Sautu, CTFS Program  
Assistant Email: sautua@si.edu  
URL: <http://www.ctfs.si.edu/group/Grants+%26+Training/Grants>

## Centrum für internationale Migration und Entwicklung (CIM)

Deadline	NA
Amount	NA
Eligibility	NA
Location	Asia, Africa, Latin America, and Eastern and South Eastern Europe
Summary	The Centrum für internationale Migration und Entwicklung (CIM) is the human resources placement organisation for German Development Cooperation. CIM partners are competent, independent employers within their partner countries' civil services, private sectors and civil societies. On their behalf, CIM recruits experts from European Union countries on the German labour market, and also partner-country experts who have been educated in Germany and would like to return to their home countries.

CIM's mission is to support their partners' contributions to their countries' development and the attainment of the goals set jointly by each partner country and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). They accomplish this with the following programmes:

### 1. Integrated Experts

Companies and institutions in developing and emergent countries are often unable to find the right people to fill key positions on their local job market. Through the Integrated Experts Programme, CIM links up partner country organisations needing qualified employees with highly qualified experts from Germany and other European Union countries – quickly and unbureaucratically. By doing so, CIM paves the way for know-how transfer to developing, transition and emergent countries.

Responsibility and ownership always remain with the local employer. Following a CIM pre-selection process, the employer decides which candidate is appropriate for the position on offer, enters into a local employment contract with that person, determines the goals of the position and pays a salary commensurate with local standards. CIM then tops up this local salary to bring it up to market levels.

During their assignments, CIM experts pass on professional knowledge to the organisation and its employees on site. When they complete their work and leave, local employees are then in a position to carry on by themselves. CIM promotes assignments lasting between one and six years.

### 2. Returning Experts

Many individuals from developing, emergent, and transition countries live and work in Germany or have completed their education or training there. If they decide they would like to return to their home country to use their skills and knowledge, CIM is there to help them – with advisory and placement services, or with financial support for positions important to development policy.

The programme is intended to enable returning experts to be more effective. In this way CIM helps make international migration processes sustainable in terms of employment and development policy.

**Contact** Centrum für internationale Migration und Entwicklung (CIM),  
Mendelssohnstrasse 75-77, 60325 Frankfurt am Main, Germany.  
Tel: + 49 (0)69 719121 0 Fax: + 49 (0)69 719121 19  
Email: [cim@gtz.de](mailto:cim@gtz.de) URL: <http://www.cimonline.de/en/55.asp>

### **CGIAR-Canada Linkage Funds (CCLF)**

**Deadline** The last call for proposals was in 1 October 2007. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** Projects should be designed to produce identifiable results within three years, with maximum CCLF support of CAD \$75,000 per year (CAD \$ 225,000 total funding for three years). Renewal of the same project and partners from prior CCLF grants will not be considered. Cooperating organizations are encouraged to augment CCLF support with their own or other resources, where relevant.

**Eligibility** Proposals must be developed jointly by the collaborating institutions and be submitted by one of the eligible CGIAR Centers. Only one proposal will be accepted from each eligible Center.

**Location** NA

**Summary** The CGIAR-Canada Linkage Fund (CCLF) is a competitive grants facility, established in 1995 by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) to strengthen collaboration between the International Agricultural Research Centers of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) and researchers at Canadian universities and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC).

The purpose of the CCLF is to increase the contribution of Canadian research organizations towards solving global problems of poverty, food and nutrition insecurity, and sustainable natural resource management through innovative, collaborative relationships with CGIAR centers. By fostering new working partnerships, the objectives of the CCLF are to:

1. Help CGIAR Centers to access innovative techniques and specialized expertise from advanced research institutions in Canada
2. Allow Canadian partners to gain experience and insights on food and agriculture issues of developing countries and regions
3. Expand the knowledge of the capabilities and strengths of all partners, laying a foundation for longer-term working relationships beyond the CCLF relationship.

**Contact** CGIAR-Canada Linkage Fund, Attn. Mr. Charles Haines, Multilateral Programs Branch, Canadian International Development Agency, 200 Promenade du Portage, Gatineau, Quebec, Canada K1A 0G4 Fax: + 1 (819) 953-5348  
Email contact: [charles\\_haines@acdi-cida.gc.ca](mailto:charles_haines@acdi-cida.gc.ca)  
URL: <http://www.acdi-cida.gc.ca/cidaweb/acdicida.nsf/En/JUD-116123446-NMA>

### **CGIAR CAPRi Grants**

**Deadline** Application deadline was on April 15, 2009. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** Support from the Ford Foundation, Government of Italy and the Government of Norway enabled CAPRi to issue its first request for proposals in October

1998 to fund three projects in 1999. Three more projects were funded in 2000 and two in 2001. Grants amounting to US\$125,000 each were provided to ILRI, ICARDA, ICRAF, CIAT IPGRI, and CIMMYT. All awarded grants constitute matching grants of up to US\$125,000, whereby other funders contribute at least half of the full project budget.

**Eligibility**

Whereas only researchers based at CGIAR Centers may apply for the grants, the program requires partnership with national research institutions and strongly encourages collaboration with other CGIAR centers.

**Location  
Summary**

NA

The Systemwide Program on Collective Action and Property Rights (CAPRI) is one of several inter-center initiatives of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) created to foster research and promote collaboration on institutional aspects of natural resource management between CGIAR research centers, national agricultural research institutions, and other sources. The program stresses comparative research that yields international public goods. The conceptual framework deals explicitly with the effect of differences in the biophysical, socioeconomic, and policy environment. At the same time, CAPRI recognizes the value of comparisons that cut across countries, ecoregions, and resources. An understanding of the factors that facilitate effective local organizations and appropriate property regimes in one resource sector can be provide valuable insights for another resource.

An important resource for supporting these efforts to promote collective action and property rights related research is the grants program. Currently there are two different types of grants:

**1. CGIAR Research Grants**

In 1998, CAPRI launched a CGIAR Research Grants Program, constituting a major expansion in the services it provides to CGIAR researchers and their partners. By providing funding to support innovative empirical research on property rights and collective action issues, the new component addresses a growing demand among members of the CGIAR and their research partners to better understand the nature of institutions of property rights and collective action and how these institutions shape natural resource management and poverty alleviation.

The main objectives that CAPRI pursues are to:

- a. Develop policy-relevant findings on how institutions of property rights and/or collective action can contribute to reducing poverty through sustainable natural resource management
- b. Demonstrate the importance of property rights and collective action issues for the CGIAR's mandate
- c. Mobilize attention and resources for property rights and collective action research within the CGIAR and among its partner institutions in developing countries
- d. Develop and disseminate best practice methodologies and/or conceptual frameworks to study collective action and property rights.

The projects funded to date cover such diverse issues as rangeland management, marketing, disease control, and maintenance of agricultural

genetic diversity, illustrating the range of research topics in the CGIAR that relate to collective action and property rights.

## 2. PhD Field Research Fellowships

In 2006 CAPRI awarded 4 PhD Field Research Fellowships to link CGIAR projects addressing issues of collective action and property rights and experts from academia in this field. This program has the objectives to:

- a. Establish or strengthen working relationships between CGIAR Centers and leading faculty in the fields of collective action and property rights;
- b. Strengthen the capacity of graduate students in conducting field work on collective action and property rights; and
- c. Build or strengthen capacity to do such research in the CGIAR and partner institutions in developing countries.

There are no current plans to award new fellowships.

**Contact** CAPRI Secretariat, International Food Policy Research Institute, 2033 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20006-1002, USA. Phone: +1 202-862-5600  
Fax: +1 202-467-4439 E-mail: [capri@cgiar.org](mailto:capri@cgiar.org)  
URL: <http://www.capri.cgiar.org/grants.asp>

## CGIAR: Challenge Program Grants

**Deadline** The last deadline was on September 10, 2007. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** A CGIAR Challenge Program (CP) is a time-bound, independently-governed program of high-impact research, that targets the CGIAR goals in relation to complex issues of overwhelming global and/or regional significance, and requires partnerships among a wide range of institutions in order to deliver its products.

The first three CPs, namely, Water and Food, HarvestPlus, and Generation, were launched on a pilot basis in 2003 following a CGIAR-approved process and guidelines for developing and implementing CPs. At the AGM04, a fourth CP, the Sub-Saharan Africa Challenge Program (SSA CP), was approved by the CGIAR, conditional on successful implementation of an 18-month inception phase beginning in January 2005.

In 2008 the CGIAR Challenge Program "Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security" (CCCP) was approved and will be launched in 2009. This program is a major collaborative endeavour between the CGIAR, its partners and The Earth System Science Partnership (ESSP).

**Contact** CGIAR Secretariat, The World Bank, MSN G6-601, 1818 H Street NW Washington, DC 20433 USA. Tel: (202) 473-8951 Fax: (202) 473-8110  
Email: [cgiar@cgiar.org](mailto:cgiar@cgiar.org)  
URL: <http://www.cgiar.org/impact/challenge/index.html>

## CGIAR King Baudouin Award

**Deadline** The award is given only once every two years. The last deadline was on September 30, 2007. See the website for updated deadline.

Amount	NA
Eligibility	Nomination is invited from each Center. A Center should make only one submission. A submission with other Centers or other partners could also be made.
Location	NA
Summary	In 1980, the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) received the King Baudouin International Development Prize from the King Baudouin Foundation "for its contribution to the qualitative and quantitative improvement of food production in the world." The following year, after consultations with the Kingdom of Belgium, and using funds received from the King Baudouin International Development Prize, the CGIAR established its own biennial King Baudouin Award to acknowledge and stimulate agricultural research and other activities relevant to the System and to recognize an achievement stemming from the work of a Center and its partners.

The guidelines for nomination of the Award are:

1. Direct or indirect, actual or potential impact on resource poor farmer and low-income people: This covers the contribution made to poverty alleviation and improving food security, lowering costs of food production, improvement in quality of products and nutritional status of beneficiaries, with special emphasis on the equitable distribution of research results, particularly to women.
2. Direct or indirect, actual or potential impact on sustainable production systems: This covers the contribution made to the successful management and utilization of resources for agriculture, forestry, or fisheries to satisfy present or future human needs without degrading the environment or the natural resource base.
3. Innovation in science: This covers aspects such as the degree of innovation and scientific achievement with regard to problem identification, research methodology, generation of new knowledge and impact of research outputs on other areas of research and development.
4. Partnership/collaboration: This covers collaboration with national agricultural research systems (NARS), other international agricultural research centers, and other partners with respect to problem identification, conduct of research, and achievement of outcome.

List of previous award recipients:

<http://www.cgiar.org/Newsroom/kingbaudouin.html>

Contact	CGIAR Secretariat, The World Bank, MSN G6-601, 1818 H Street NW Washington, DC 20433 USA. Tel: (202) 473-8951 Fax: (202) 473-8110 Email: <a href="mailto:cgiar@cgiar.org">cgiar@cgiar.org</a> URL: <a href="http://www.cgiar.org/awards/awards_baudouin.html">http://www.cgiar.org/awards/awards_baudouin.html</a>
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### **Channel Foundation: Women's Leadership Scholarship**

Deadline	Due to losses caused by the current global financial crisis, and uncertainty about the timing of recovery, the Channel Foundation regrets that it must suspend its Women's Leadership Scholarship Program for new applicants for 2009-10. Current recipients in two year programs will receive renewal funding for the second year of their programs. The Foundation looks forward to positive indicators that will enable them to reopen the program for 2010-11.
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WLS pre-applications for the 2010-2011 academic year will hopefully be available beginning Jan. 1 through March 12, 2010 on their website or by request from [info@nativeleaders.org](mailto:info@nativeleaders.org). Pre-applications received after March 12, 2010 will not be considered.

<b>Amount</b>	The WLS Selection Committee awards four to eight scholarships per year, up to US\$25,000 per academic year for a maximum of two years. The awards help the recipients meet the costs of tuition, fees, books, educational supplies, housing, maintenance, and travel to and from the home country and the educational institution.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Eligible candidates include women leaders from the Global South and/or from indigenous groups who also meet all the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. They are committed to grassroots organizing and the needs of their communities or indigenous group.</li><li>2. They have proof of a bachelor's or a higher degree.</li><li>3. They have at least three years of work experience dealing with critical human rights concerns, and other social, educational, environmental, health or economic conditions that negatively affect their communities.</li><li>4. They have been accepted into a non-doctoral graduate program at an accredited university for full-time study/research related to their work experience in human rights, sustainable development, and/or public health.</li><li>5. They can show evidence of financial need for educational support.</li><li>6. They intend to return to their home countries to work, utilizing training and research acquired in the study program.</li></ol>
<b>Location</b>	Candidates may use WLS funding for non-doctoral graduate study at accredited institutions worldwide. WLS is committed to strengthening research institutions in the Global South. As such, WLS encourages students to study in their home country or region provided that the educational institution is fully accredited for higher education.
<b>Summary</b>	WLS is a program of the Channel Foundation, a small, private foundation based in Seattle, Washington, USA that promotes leadership in women's human rights around the globe. Channel's mission is to fund and create opportunities for groups working in many regions of the world to ensure that women's human rights are respected, protected, and fulfilled.  Scholarship recipients enroll in programs of study that cover a range of human rights and development issues at the non-doctoral graduate level including gender, reproductive health, HIV/AIDS, child exploitation, human trafficking, conflict resolution, environmental justice, global fair trade, and sustainable development. WLS is a secular program and does not support programs of study that promote specific religious beliefs.
<b>Contact</b>	URL: <a href="http://www.nativeleaders.org/index.html">http://www.nativeleaders.org/index.html</a>

### **Charles Stewart Mott Foundation**

<b>Deadline</b>	Applications are accepted year-round, but those received between September 1 and December 31 will be considered only for the following calendar year.
<b>Amount</b>	The median grant size is in the \$100,000 range. The majority of our grants are between \$15,000 and \$250,000 annually.
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	The Mott Foundation makes grants in the U.S. and, on a limited geographic basis, internationally. Grants outside the U.S. are made only in the Civil Society and Environment programs.



**Summary** The Charles Stewart Mott Foundation is a private foundation based in Flint, Michigan. Grants from the Foundation are made in four different programs: Civil Society, Environment, Flint Area and Pathways Out of Poverty.

The mission of the Environment program is to support the efforts of an engaged citizenry working to create accountable and responsive institutions, sound public policies, and appropriate models of development that protect the diversity and integrity of selected ecosystems in North America and around the world. The Environment program is organized into three program areas:

**1. Conservation of Freshwater Ecosystems**

To advance the conservation and restoration of freshwater ecosystems in North America, with emphasis on the Great Lakes and southeastern U.S.

**2. International Finance for Sustainability**

To shape international investment and trade to support sustainable development and reduce environmental degradation.

**3. Special Initiatives**

To respond to unique opportunities to advance environmental protection in the U.S. and internationally.

**Contact** Office of Proposal Entry, C.S. Mott Foundation, Mott Foundation Building, 503 S. Saginaw St., Suite 1200, Flint, MI 48502-1851, U.S.A.  
URL: <http://mott.org/grantseeker.aspx>

## **Chevron Conservation Awards**

**Deadline** The last deadline was May 31, 2006. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** The program recognizes outstanding contributions to the conservation of natural resources and offers volunteers, conservation professionals and non-profits organizations alike the opportunity to receive \$15,000 towards their conservation work.

**Eligibility** Anyone is eligible to nominate an individual or organization.

**Location** NA

**Summary** Chevron Corporation is one of the world's leading energy companies. With more than 53,000 employees, Chevron subsidiaries conduct business in approximately 180 countries around the world, producing and transporting crude oil and natural gas, and refining, marketing and distributing fuels and other energy products.

Originally created by the late writer Ed Zern in 1954, the Award has recognized more than 1,000 conservationists. Recent award winners have been engaged in diverse areas of conservation - from ensuring the survival of wild seahorses, to protecting the world's largest Orangutan population in Indonesia, to providing solar power for health clinics and schools in Africa.

**Contact** URL: <http://www.csrwire.com/News/5573.html>

## **The Christensen Fund**

**Deadline** August 31 - For consideration for the following calendar year.  
March 31 – For consideration within the remaining current calendar year - funds permitting.

For events such as conferences and workshops, please apply at least four months in advance of their starting date to enable timely review and grant processing.

<b>Amount</b>	Grant size is typically in the \$50,000 to \$100,000 range over one or two years, with larger multiyear grants being available generally to our established local partners and per invitation only.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Grantseeking organizations need to be US 501(c)(3) or a similar not-for-profit organization, government unit, university or museum either in the USA or in another country.
<b>Location</b>	The Greater American Southwest; Montane West and Central Asia; The Rift Valley of Ethiopia (especially southwest Ethiopia), and adjacent areas of Northern Kenya; Northern Australia; and Melanesia
<b>Summary</b>	In late 2002 the Fund decided to develop a new program strategy and focus grant making on the interface between natural environments and human cultures, primarily working with peoples and communities variously known as "indigenous", "tribal" and "minority", and the landscapes with which their cultures, histories and artistic expression are so connected.

Some of the things The Fund would like to support through their new strategies will include:

1. The persistence and adaptation of indigenous systems for managing landscapes that sustain cultural and biological value and diversity
2. Maintaining the diverse agricultural, hunting, gathering and cooking traditions that sustain community foodways, diets, livelihoods and wellbeing; including the traditional varieties of crops first domesticated in our geographic regions essential for the future of agriculture globally
3. Artistic and cultural expression—both traditional and contemporary—to maintain continuities of relationship with place and the experience of the natural world, including music, dance and associated expression; and
4. “Bothways” education in indigenous societies that better enables people to access and value both heritage and innovation within their own societies, as well as engage richly with the rest of the world.

In addition to the focused work in the five selected regions (see “Location” section), TCF will also fund some “Global Biocultural Initiative” (formally known as “cross-cutting”) efforts involving those regions and the wider world including:

1. Studies, writings, events, networks and multi-media dissemination efforts that build and share practical knowledge worldwide around the concepts of “biocultural diversity”, resilience and adaptive change, and the consequences of global warming for diversity;
2. Projects of artistic expression that can reach global publics to re-shape understanding of how biological and cultural richness are interdependent and require passionate attention; and
3. Opportunities and biological diversity resilience and climate change so as to support global learning and exchange, in particular regarding participation from TCF priority regions (note that TCF will not make individual grants for conferences).

**Contact** Mailing Address: 394 University Avenue, Palo Alto, CA 94301, USA.  
Tel: 650-323 8700 Fax: 650-462 8602  
General information: [info@christensenfund.org](mailto:info@christensenfund.org)  
Grants: [info@christensenfund.org](mailto:info@christensenfund.org) URL: <http://www.christensenfund.org/>

## Climate Change Adaptation in Africa (CCAA)

Deadline	NA
Amount	NA
Eligibility	NA
Location	Africa
Summary	The Climate Change Adaptation in Africa (CCAA) research and capacity development program aims to improve the capacity of African countries to adapt to climate change in ways that benefit the most vulnerable. Building on existing initiatives and past experience, the CCAA program works to establish a self-sustained skilled body of expertise in Africa to enhance the ability of African countries to adapt. The CCAA is a joint program of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Canada, and the Department for International Development (DFID), U.K.

Following an initial call for concept notes, the program is now supporting a wide range of research and capacity building projects on adaptation across Africa. Future openings for research proposals will focus on addressing a small number of geographic and thematic gaps.

Contact	Contact CCAA Program: 1. West and Central Africa, Henri Lo, Senior Program Specialist 2. West Africa and Madagascar, Nathalie Beaulieu, Senior Program Officer 3. North Africa, Guy Jobbins, Senior Program Officer 4. East and Southern Africa, JC Nkomo, Senior Program Specialist 5. Central Africa, Innocent Butare, Senior Program Specialist See here for contact details: <a href="http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-94558-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html">http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-94558-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html</a> URL: <a href="http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-94558-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html">http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-94558-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html</a>
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## Coca-Cola Africa Foundation

Deadline	NA
Amount	NA
Eligibility	NA
Location	NA
Summary	In 2001, the Company created The Coca-Cola Africa Foundation as the engine to coordinate their corporate social investment in Africa. The foundation addresses individual and collective needs across issues of health, education and the environment, as well as supporting subject-matter expert development.
Contact	Mr. William Asiko, The Coca-Cola Africa Foundation, P.O. Box 2040, Manzini, Swaziland. URL: <a href="http://www.thecoca-colacompany.com/citizenship/foundation_local.html#a">http://www.thecoca-colacompany.com/citizenship/foundation_local.html#a</a>

## Commonwealth of Learning (COL)

Deadline	The last deadline for applications was 15 August 2008. See website for updated deadline.
Amount	Successful applicants will receive: 1. COL technical support at a cost in the area of open and distance learning. Support from COL may be in the form of consultancy and advice; shared knowledge and materials; and capacity building. 2. Limited financial support of up to \$18,000 (Canadian). The budget submitted should identify costs for which COL support is sought, as well as contributions

Eligibility	<p>from the applicant and all other partners and funding agencies. Eligibility to receive COL support requires that the applying organisations/institutions meet the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Demonstrate an established track record in addressing poverty in Commonwealth countries; and</li> <li>2. Hold a certificate of incorporation or proof of legal standing.</li> </ol> <p>A range of formal educational institutions (universities, training institutions, schools), including government and non-government educational, research and development organisations, as well as not-for-profit agencies, and community-based organisations working at the grassroots, are encouraged to apply. COL-PROTEIN supports only one initiative per organisation.</p>
Location	Proposals are invited from qualified applicants in developing Commonwealth countries from Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and the Pacific ( <a href="http://www.col.org/about">www.col.org/about</a> ).
Summary	<p>The Commonwealth of Learning (COL) Poverty Reduction Outcomes Through Education Innovations and Networks (PROTEIN) programme supports innovative uses of open and distance learning (ODL) to alleviate poverty in rural areas. In particular, COL-PROTEIN supports initiatives that will adopt ODL, and information and communication technologies (ICT) and media, to build capacities for community development, for example in areas such as food security, environmental protection, women's empowerment, micro-enterprise and good governance.</p> <p>Activities that COL-PROTEIN supports include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Designing and demonstrating innovative learning models that use ODL and ICT</li> <li>2. Developing and piloting of self-learning materials; and</li> <li>3. Detailed design for content development and delivery that can be ICT-enabled to benefit the poor.</li> </ol>
Contact	<p>Commonwealth of Learning (COL); 1055 West Hastings Street, Suite 1200; Vancouver, BC V6E 2E9; Canada. Tel: +1.604.775.8200          Fax: +1.604.775.8210 E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@col.org">info@col.org</a> URL:  <a href="http://www.col.org/progServ/programmes/livelihoods/PROTEIN/Pages/default.aspx/">http://www.col.org/progServ/programmes/livelihoods/PROTEIN/Pages/default.aspx/</a></p>

## **Commonwealth Scholarship Commission (CSC): Professional Fellowships**

*Previously Commonwealth Foundation*

Deadline	The last deadline for applications was on 30 April 2009.
Amount	Organisations can nominate up to four individual candidates for a Fellowship in 2009.
Eligibility	NA
Location	Commonwealth countries
Summary	<p>The Commission supports fellowships for mid-career professionals from developing Commonwealth countries to spend periods (typically three months) with a relevant UK host organisation in their field for a programme of professional development. This can include a very limited time for attendance at short courses as well as visits to other organisations. Approximately 65 Fellowships are awarded each year. Applications should be made by the UK host organisation which acts as the 'nominator', and which can be from any</p>

sector. Nominators should be able to identify suitable candidates through existing organisational networks or by advertising if they wish.

Applications should be in the following priority areas:

Agriculture/Fisheries/Forestry, Education, Environment, Governance, Public Health and Engineering/Science/Technology. Professional Fellowships are not for academic study or research and full-time academics are not eligible for a Fellowship. Please note that the Commission is unable to provide a list of UK organisations wishing to nominate for a Fellowship and does not accept applications direct from prospective Fellows themselves.

Applications will be judged on the following criteria:

1. The extent to which the proposed Fellowship will ensure the transfer of skills relevant to the needs of a Commonwealth developing country
2. The extent to which those skills will lead to practical benefits for the developing country following the Fellowship
3. The extent to which the Fellowship will have a 'catalytic effect', either within the developing country concerned, or in establishing new relationships with the UK

**Contact** Woburn House, 20-24 Tavistock Square, London, WC1H 9HF, United Kingdom. Tel +44 207 380 6700  
URL: [http://www.cscuk.org.uk/apply/professional\\_fellowships.asp](http://www.cscuk.org.uk/apply/professional_fellowships.asp)

### **Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize**

**Deadline** Nominations were opened from August 3, 2009 to November 2, 2009 for the 2010 Prize. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** \$1.5 million dollar

- Eligibility**
1. Nominees must be organizations, not individuals.
  2. Nominees must be established, non-governmental, publicly supported charitable organizations. U.S. Internal Revenue Service tax-exempt status—or the equivalent for international organizations—will determine eligibility. (International nominees will be contacted by the Foundation for appropriate documentation.)
  3. Nominees must be legally established for at least five years (established prior to 2005 for the 2010 Hilton Humanitarian Prize) in order to be considered.
  4. Nominees must have an operating budget (expenditure) greater than U.S. \$500,000.
  5. An organization that has received a single grant of \$1.5 million or more from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation must wait 3 years before being eligible for nomination.

**Location** No restrictions

**Summary** The Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize was established by the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation in 1996. The annual \$1.5 million dollar award honors a charitable or non-governmental organization that has made extraordinary contributions toward alleviating human suffering anywhere in the world.

The international Prize is the world's largest humanitarian award and ranks as one of the largest monetary prizes in any category - equal to the Nobel Prize. The creation of the Hilton Prize is consistent with the guiding philosophy of the Hilton Foundation, which was established by the late hotel entrepreneur, Conrad N. Hilton, for the purpose of providing humanitarian aid to the most

unfortunate and disadvantaged.  
**Contact** Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize, 10100 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 1000,  
Los Angeles, CA 90067, USA. Tel: (310) 556-4694 Fax: (310) 556-8130  
E-mail: prize@hiltonfoundation.org

### **Conservation, Food and Health Foundation**

**Deadline** Concept applications may be submitted at any time, but must be received in the office for the FY 2009 grants cycle by January 1 and July 1 in order to be reviewed for the foundation's May and November meetings.

**Amount** 2008 grants ranged from \$11,100 to \$32,500

**Eligibility** Ordinarily the foundation limits its support to those organizations that have received a letter of determination of tax exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code and are "not a private foundation" under section 509(a). However, the directors wish to remain open to the possibility of supporting certain equivalents, such as a domestic or foreign governmental unit or agency, or non-governmental, foreign organization determined to be the equivalent of a 501(c)(3) organization, which can provide secure evidence of its nonprofit status and charitable purpose.

**Location** The foundation's geographic focus is the developing world. It prefers to support organizations located in developing countries or to developed country organizations whose activities are of direct and immediate benefit to developing countries.

**Summary** Incorporated in 1985, the Conservation, Food and Health Foundation seeks to promote the conservation of natural resources, improve the production and distribution of food, and improve health in the developing world. The foundation helps build capacity within developing countries in its three areas of interest with grants that support research or projects that solve specific problems.

The foundation supports projects that demonstrate strong local leadership, promote professional development in the conservation, agricultural, and health sciences; develop the capacity of local organizations; and address a particular problem in the field. It prefers to support projects addressing under-funded issues and geographic areas.

**Contact** Conservation, Food & Health Foundation; c/o Prentice A. Zinn,  
Administrator; Grants Management Associates; 77 Summer Street, 8th Floor;  
Boston, Massachusetts 02110-1006 USA. Phone: 617-391-3091  
E-mail: pzinn @ gmafoundations.com  
URL: <http://cfhfoundation.grantsmanagement08.com/>

### **Conservation Technology Support Program (CTSP)**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** The Conservation Technology Support Program (CTSP) annually awards grants of equipment plus software to tax-exempt conservation organizations to build their Geographic Information Systems (GIS) capacity. The ESRI Conservation Program is the non-profit support arm of the Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI). They have helped to create and develop spatial analysis, computer mapping and geographic information systems (GIS)



capability among thousands of non-profit organizations and individual projects of all sizes and types worldwide. They do this by donating and providing millions of dollars worth of computer technology and training for groups just beginning to work on geographic problems, on an ongoing basis, and for advanced groups at the cutting edge of conservation biology and spatial sciences. Conservation/Geography is how they describe their use of these technologies, theories, methods and skills to in their overall mission of conservation and social change.

**Contact** Charles Convis; ESRI Conservation Program; 380 New York St., Redlands, CA, 92373; USA. Tel: 909-793-2853 x2488 Fax: 909-793-5953  
E-mail: [ecp@esri.com](mailto:ecp@esri.com)  
URL: <http://www.conservationgis.org/ecpstory/aboutecp.html>

### **Cornell University: Frosty Hill Fellowship**

**Deadline** For program planning purposes, it is desirable to send your application by January 31. However, applications are accepted throughout the year. Recipients will be notified approximately two months later and will be expected to be at Cornell for 9 to 12 months beginning in August. Scientists may be permitted to delay arrival until January in exceptional cases.

**Amount** Each Fellow is awarded the following at Cornell University:

1. An office in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
2. Research space as appropriate
3. The use of a personal computer
4. Access to the mainframe computer
5. \$2,500 for research and professional activities
6. \$10,000 for personal expenses

In return, each fellow is expected to maintain a working relationship with faculty and graduate students and to give at least one collegewide lecture in the International Agriculture series. While no teaching is required, requests for occasional lectures may be expected. It is assumed that the international center will provide salary support and international transportation for the Fellow and immediate family.

**Eligibility** Any senior scientist from a recognized CGIAR supported or affiliated international center may apply for a "Frosty" Hill Agricultural Research Fellowship at Cornell University. Scientists are encouraged to contact departments and individual scientists at Cornell University in advance of submitting an application. This will permit both parties to determine the compatibility of their respective research programs.

**Location** Cornell University, New York State, USA.

**Summary** Cornell University dedicates the "Frosty" Hill Agricultural Research Fellowship to the memory of Dr. Forrest F. Hill, cofounder of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), in honor of his significant contributions to the application of agricultural sciences in addressing critical world food problems.

The Fellowship provides financial support for selected senior scientists from international centers supported by or affiliated with the CGIAR to spend from 3 to 12 months with scientists at Cornell University. More importantly, this Fellowship creates opportunities for scientists from the major international centers to work together with scientists from Cornell on significant agricultural problems of mutual priority and concern.



Scientists from both institutions benefit through the enhancement of their respective research capabilities on both basic and applied aspects of specific agricultural problems facing developing nations. Cornell University faculty and students benefit through close association with outstanding scientists who are concentrating on applied and specialized development problems. International centers benefit through the exposure of their scientists to new scientific methods and to basic and applied research efforts of direct relevance to their research programs and mandates.

**Contact** James Haldeman, Senior Associate Director, International Programs, 35 Warren Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York 14853.  
Phone: 607 255-3035 Fax: 607 255-1005 Email: [jeh5@cornell.edu](mailto:jeh5@cornell.edu)  
URL: <http://ip.cals.cornell.edu/programs/researchexchanges/frostyhill.cfm>

### **Cottonwood Foundation**

**Deadline** Cottonwood Foundation is not currently inviting unsolicited grant applications, and is providing funding only to Cottonwood Partner organizations at this time.

**Amount** Cottonwood Foundation awards grants in the \$500 to \$1,000 range  
**Eligibility** Organizations in the United States and internationally are eligible for funding by Cottonwood Foundation. Organizations are not required to have 501(c)(3) status, but only charitable, non-profit organizations will be funded by Cottonwood Foundation.

**Location** No restrictions

**Summary** Cottonwood Foundation is an all-volunteer organization that was started in 1992. Since that time, it has awarded 498 grants totaling more than \$465,000, supporting projects in over 50 countries. Cottonwood Foundation's income is from individuals, other foundations and corporations, and from its small endowment.

Cottonwood Foundation has a very limited amount of funding available, and will only award grants to organizations that meet all four of the following criteria: protect the environment; promote cultural diversity; empower people to meet their basic needs; rely on volunteer efforts. Cottonwood Foundation especially seeks to support organizations for which small grants will make a significant difference

**Contact** Cottonwood Foundation, Box 10803, White Bear Lake, MN 55110 USA. E-mail: [info@cottonwoodfdn.org](mailto:info@cottonwoodfdn.org) Telephone: (651) 426-8797  
Fax: (651) 294-1012 URL: <http://www.cottonwoodfdn.org/howapply.html>

### **Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC): Multi-Country Fellowship Program**

**Deadline** The last deadline was January 16, 2009. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** Approximately ten awards of up to \$9,000 each will be given to scholars who wish to carry out research on broad questions of multi-country significance in the fields of humanities, social sciences, and related natural sciences.

**Eligibility** Eligibility requirements apply at the time of application. Applicants must meet all of the following requirements and will be considered without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin and/or physical impairment.

1. Must be a U.S. citizen. Proof of citizenship (i.e. photocopy of passport, etc.) must be shown upon award notification.
2. Must have a Ph.D. or be a U.S. doctoral candidate who has completed all Ph.D. requirements with the exception of the dissertation.
3. Must be engaged in the study and research in the humanities, social sciences, and allied natural sciences.
4. Must wish to conduct research of regional or trans-regional significance in two or more countries outside of the United States, one of which must host participating American overseas research center.

<b>Location</b>	Scholars must carry out research in two or more countries outside the United States, at least one of which hosts a participating American overseas research center. The centers are located in Afghanistan, Algeria, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Cyprus, Egypt, Greece, India, Iran, Israel, Italy, Iraq, Jordan, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Tunisia, Turkey, <b>West Africa</b> , West Bank/Gaza Strip and Yemen.
<b>Summary</b>	The Council of American Overseas Research Center's (CAORC) Multi-Country Fellowship Program supports advanced regional or trans-regional research in the humanities, social sciences, or allied natural sciences for U.S. doctoral candidates and scholars who have already earned their Ph.D. Preference will be given to candidates examining comparative and/or cross-regional research. Applicants are eligible to apply as individuals or in teams.
<b>Contact</b>	Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC), P.O. Box 37012, MRC 178, Washington, DC 20013-7012, USA. Tel: (202) 633 – 1599 Fax (202) 786 – 2430 URL: <a href="http://www.caorc.org/index.html">http://www.caorc.org/index.html</a>

### **Critical Ecosystems Partnership Fund (CEPF)**

<b>Deadline</b>	NA
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	Nongovernmental organizations, community groups, private enterprises, and other civil society applicants may apply for funding. Government-owned enterprises or institutions are eligible only if they can establish that the enterprise or institution i) has a legal personality independent of any government agency or actor; ii) has the authority to apply for and receive private funds; and iii) may not assert a claim of sovereign immunity.
<b>Location</b>	Africa & Madagascar, Asia-Pacific, Europe & Central Asia, North & Central America, and South America. See here for CEPF hotspots: <a href="http://www.cepf.net/where_we_work/Pages/map.aspx">http://www.cepf.net/where_we_work/Pages/map.aspx</a>
<b>Summary</b>	Founded in 2000, the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund is a global leader in enabling civil society to participate in and benefit from conserving some of the world's most critical ecosystems. The grants: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Target biodiversity hotspots in developing and transitional countries.</li> <li>2. Are guided by regional investment strategies developed with stakeholders.</li> <li>3. Go directly to civil society groups to build this vital constituency for conservation alongside governmental partners.</li> <li>4. Create working alliances among diverse groups, combining unique capacities and eliminating duplication of efforts.</li> <li>5. Achieve results through an ever-expanding network of partners working together toward shared goals.</li> </ol>
<b>Contact</b>	Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund Conservation International, 2011 Crystal Drive, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202, USA. Tel: (1) 703 341-2400 Fax: (1) 703 553-0721 E-mail: <a href="mailto:cepf@conservation.org">cepf@conservation.org</a>

URL: <http://www.cepf.net/Pages/default.aspx>

## C. S. Fund/Warsh-Mott Legacy

<b>Deadline</b>	The foundations make funding decisions twice a year, usually in April/May and November/December. If a full proposal is requested, it must be received by the second Monday in January for consideration in the spring, or the second Monday in August for consideration in the fall.
<b>Amount</b>	Grant size is not more than \$100,000 (based on previous grants).
<b>Eligibility</b>	Applicant organizations must be classified as a 501(c)(3) by the US Internal Revenue Service. Foreign applicants should note that the foundations make a very limited number of grants abroad.
<b>Location</b>	NA
<b>Summary</b>	<p>The CS Fund and Warsh/Mott Legacy are private foundations which are linked by common issue interests and boards of directors. CSF and WML are dedicated to preserving biodiversity, defending democracy, preventing the commodification of life, and protecting human and environmental health. CS Fund and Warsh/Mott Legacy are currently granting in the following categories, each with a specific emphasis:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1. Economic Globalization</b> Grantmaking in this category balances short term efforts that oppose the NAFTA/ WTO/FTAA trade regimes with long term efforts to develop alternative economic models. The foundations are especially concerned about the lack of democracy that permeates the current system. This program also supports efforts to establish law at the intersection of human rights and the environment.</li><li><b>2. Food Sovereignty</b> Grantmaking in this area is designed to promote seed saving, encourage soil building, and protect pollinating insects and animals. The foundations favor initiatives that are farmer led and incorporate elements of traditional agriculture.</li><li><b>3. Civil Liberties</b> This category focuses on protecting the Constitutionally guaranteed right to dissent and preserving an accountable and transparent government. On a more limited basis, the foundations support efforts to curb undue government surveillance powers and defend the due process rights of all Americans.</li><li><b>4. Emerging Technologies</b> The foundations are developing a new program aimed at addressing the potential risks of nanotech, as well as its convergence with other technologies.</li><li><b>5. Board Initiated Grants</b> Occasionally the foundations may initiate support for projects that fall outside their established priorities. These include but are not limited to efforts to advance the precautionary principle and the commons.</li></ol>
<b>Contact</b>	CS Fund, 469 Bohemian Highway, Freestone, CA 95472, USA. Tel: 707 874 2942 phone Fax: 707 874 1734 Email: <a href="mailto:inquiries@csfund.org">inquiries@csfund.org</a> URL: <a href="http://www.csfund.org/">http://www.csfund.org/</a>

## Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (defra): Darwin Initiative

*Formerly Darwin Foundation*

<b>Deadline</b>	See "Summary"
<b>Amount</b>	NA

Eligibility	NA
Location	NA
Summary	<p>The Darwin Initiative assists countries that are rich in biodiversity but poor in financial resources to implement the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) through the funding of collaborative projects which draw on UK biodiversity expertise. There are four funding schemes within the Darwin Initiative:</p> <p><b>1. Main Projects</b></p> <p>Having focused on supporting projects to achieve their CBD commitments, the Darwin Initiative is now being extended to include the Convention on Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) and the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS or the Bonn Convention). There will also be a shift of focus to encourage projects to adopt an ecosystem-based approach to conservation (where relevant and applicable) and, in addition, the Darwin Initiative will also be particularly welcoming projects relating to the UK's Overseas Territories. The last deadline for applications was 15 August 2008. See <a href="http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/main/">http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/main/</a> for updated deadline.</p> <p><b>2. Scoping Awards</b></p> <p>The Darwin Initiative is offering one-off funding for travel costs to a host country to enable UK institutions to develop a Darwin project application in collaboration with host country partners. The purpose is to ensure that more UK organisations with biodiversity expertise have the chance to apply for Darwin project funding, by enabling less well-resourced organisations to develop project applications. The last closing date for applications was 20 February 2009. See <a href="http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/scoping/">http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/scoping/</a> for updated deadline.</p> <p><b>3. Darwin Fellowships</b></p> <p>Darwin Fellowships are targeted at promising members of recent or current Darwin Initiative projects who are from countries rich in biodiversity but poor in financial resources. Drawing on UK expertise in biodiversity, the programme aims to give Fellows the opportunity to broaden their skills in biodiversity, typically by working towards formal qualifications or by developing policy skills. The closing date for applications was 20 February 2009. See <a href="http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/fellowships/">http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/fellowships/</a> for updated deadline.</p> <p><b>4. Post-Project funding</b></p> <p>The Darwin Initiative offers post-project funding to a small number of successful Darwin Initiative projects, in order to maximise the results of these projects and strengthen their long-term impact and legacy. Selected projects will receive funding for additional work for up to two years after the original project has been completed. Funding will be considered where additional and lasting impacts are likely from further embedding or consolidating the results of a successful and completed Darwin project. It will not be provided for project slippage. The last closing date was 1 December 2008. See <a href="http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/postproject/">http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/postproject/</a> for updated deadline.</p>
Contact	<p>Helen Beech, Darwin Applications Management Unit, c/o ECTF, Pentlands Science Park, Bush Loan, Penicuik, Edinburgh, EH26 0PH.  Tel. +44 (0)131 440 5180 Fax. +44 (0)131 440 5501  Email: <a href="mailto:darwin-applications@ltsi.co.uk">darwin-applications@ltsi.co.uk</a>  URL: <a href="http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/main/">http://darwin.defra.gov.uk/apply/main/</a></p>

## **Department for International Development of the United Kingdom (DFID): The Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund**

**Deadline** Launched June 2007, contact [aecfenquiries@dfid.gov.uk](mailto:aecfenquiries@dfid.gov.uk) for more information

**Amount** Grants will be available up to £1 million.

**Eligibility** The Fund will be orientated primarily towards the private sector, with most applications expected from private firms/enterprises. Applications will also be open to NGOs and institutions that are partnering business and developing commercial activities in alignment with core AECF aims. Geographically, applications will be possible from both African based firms and also overseas firms doing business in Africa. Size of the enterprise (large or small) is less important than what the enterprise seeks to deliver and how this builds on previous expertise and capacity.

**Location** Africa

**Summary** The Commission for Africa and G8 discussions highlighted that private enterprise is a prime engine of growth and development. To boost economic growth in the region, a US\$100 million multi-donor Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund (AECF) was recommended. The fund offers grants on a competitive basis to private companies to test innovative but unproven business models resulting in the greater participation of the poor in markets – both as consumers and also as workers and producers. The AECF is expected to stimulate US\$200 million additional private sector investment in financial and agricultural markets across Africa over the next seven years.

**Contact** Email: [aecfenquiries@dfid.gov.uk](mailto:aecfenquiries@dfid.gov.uk)

URL: <http://www.africaenterprisechallengefund.org/>

## **Department for International Development of the United Kingdom (DFID): Business Sector Advocacy Challenge Fund (BUSAC)**

**Deadline** The last deadline was August 16th 2007. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** The Fund awards a maximum of 90% of the cost of the Action up to a maximum grant of USD100,000 to any one applicant though the actual cost of Action could be higher.

There are currently two categories of grants i) a grant up to GH¢92 thousand (approx. USD6,500) to undertake advocacy action and ii) grant up to GH¢12 thousand (approx. USD850) to undertake training of association members on HOW to advocate even before they start to advocate.

**Eligibility** Associations and business groupings, labour organisations and media groups who want to advocate for improvements or private sector reforms in their area of activity are welcome to apply.

1. Business associations will have memberships of private, for-profit, micro-, small- or medium-sized entities engaged in legal business activities in the formal or informal sectors of the Ghanaian economy.
2. Labour organizations will be registered trade unions or associations with memberships engaged in various trades.
3. Media organizations include both professional associations and individual media organizations such as TV, radio stations and the print media.
4. Applicants from the informal sector are particularly encouraged to apply. They may receive an additional support (see “Outreach Facility”, below)

5. Applications from groups of organisations working in partnership are particularly welcome.

**Location**  
**Summary**

Ghana, Africa.

BUSAC aims to make an impact by enabling the private sector, including business membership organizations, trades unions and media, to influence public policy formulation by undertaking appropriate research, developing evidence based policy positions and advocating those positions with government and other private sector institutions/organization who may be targeted by the action.

What are the overall Objectives of the BUSAC Fund?

1. A broader engagement of the Private Sector in policy making and policy implementation (at national, regional and local levels)
2. A strengthened capacity of representative organizations of the Private Sector to advocate for pro-business sector reform in Ghana (and in the long run support the Ghanaian economy and thus contribute to Poverty Reduction)
3. An improvement of the Private Sector, by assisting to remove bottlenecks at all levels of administration but also within the Private Sector itself
4. A broadened public understanding of the role of businesses in society

BUSAC was originally launched by DANIDA as part of the broader Business Sector Programme Support but now attracts support from DFID (which is pooling its support through an arrangement with DANIDA) and USAID (which is willing to support export related advocacy projects).

**Contact**

Office Location: #225, 4th Dzorwulu Crescent (GSMF Building), Airport Residential Area. Postal Address: BUSAC Fund, P.O. Box 30507 KIA, Accra. Email at: [contact@busac.org](mailto:contact@busac.org) Phone: +233 21 780 178 or +233 21 780 810 URL: <http://www.busac.org/mainsite/abtBUSAC/>

## **Department for International Development of the United Kingdom (DFID): Civil Society Challenge Fund**

**Deadline** Concept notes can be submitted and will be appraised between 1 February and 15 June each year. This allows us to concentrate our efforts on appraising proposals between the end of June and 31 January each year.

**Amount** 100% funding up to £500,000 for a maximum of 5 years.

**Eligibility** UK-based, non-profit organizations

**Location** NA

**Summary** The CSCF supports activities that:

1. Improve the capacity of Southern civil society to engage in the local decision-making processes.
2. Improve the capacity of Southern civil society to engage in national decision making processes
3. Improve national linkages through global advocacy
4. Provide innovative service delivery
5. Provide service delivery in difficult environments

**Contact**

Steve Nally, Telephone: +44 (0) 1355 843199

URL: <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/funding/civilsocietyguidelines06.asp>



## Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)/German Research Foundation

Deadline	Information is available on the website (in German only).
Amount	See above.
Eligibility	See above.
Location	See above.
Summary	<p>The DFG promotes research in all fields of science and the humanities. Scientific and academic excellence, the advancement of young researchers, interdisciplinarity and internationality are key elements in the work of the DFG. Promoting research includes supporting individual projects and research cooperation, awarding prizes for outstanding research achievements as well as funding scientific infrastructure and encouraging contacts in science and research. Programmes:</p> <p><b>1. Individual Grants Programme</b> Researchers who have completed their academic training (as a rule, those who hold a doctorate) are eligible to submit project proposals with a defined thematic focus and project duration.</p> <p><b>2. Coordinated Programmes</b> Coordinated programmes promote cooperation and structural innovation by encouraging national and international collaboration in areas of current relevance and by concentrating scientific potential at a university.</p> <p><b>3. Promoting Young Researchers</b> Attractive programmes support young researchers throughout all qualification phases.</p> <p><b>4. Scientific Prizes</b> The DFG awards prizes to scientists and academics in recognition of their outstanding research achievements.</p> <p><b>5. Funding Scientific Instrumentation and Infrastructure</b> The DFG offers centrally-coordinated funding to build and improve scientific infrastructure: Scientific Library Services and Information Systems, Scientific Instrumentation and Information Technology, Central Research Facilities.</p> <p><b>6. Encouraging Scientific Contacts</b> In order to establish and foster scientific contacts, the DFG provides funding for scientific events, conferences, lecture and information trips and within the Mercator Programme.</p> <p><b>7. Knowledge Transfer</b> Research projects generate good ideas with great potential for practical application. These ideas need to be discovered, developed and put to good use.</p> <p><b>8. Funding Initiatives - Project Groups</b> Funding initiatives are measures taken by the DFG to promote specific research activities in individual areas of research. The DFG's project groups bring together an interdisciplinary group of experts from the DFG's head office to discuss and propose new research projects.</p> <p><b>9. Knowledge Transfer</b></p>
Contact	<p>Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, Kennedyallee 40, 53175 Bonn. Telefon: 0228/885-1 Telefax: 0228/885-2777 E-Mail: <a href="mailto:postmaster@dfg.de">postmaster@dfg.de</a> URL: <a href="http://www.dfg.de">http://www.dfg.de</a> URL: <a href="http://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/index.html#oben">http://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/index.html#oben</a></p>



## Discovery Channel Global Education Partnership

<b>Deadline</b>	NA
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	Active Centers: Mexico, Venezuela, Peru, Romania, Nigeria, Uganda, Tanzania, Angola, Zimbabwe, Namibia, South Africa. Upcoming Centers: Morocco, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya.
<b>Summary</b>	The Partnership began in 1997 as a corporate initiative of Discovery Communications, in line with its mission to help people explore their world and satisfy their curiosity. The Partnership extends these opportunities to people living in underserved areas who would otherwise have little access to educational resources.

Discovery Channel Global Education Partnership applies a unique and sustainable approach for bringing information to underserved communities: through Learning Centers. Learning Centers are locally-managed, television-based media hubs, located primarily in existing schools and equipped to meet the area's educational needs. Over a three-year period, the Partnership works closely with a community to develop a Center and ensure its on-going impact and success. This sustainable process includes:

1. Consulting with national and local education officials
2. Identifying eligible and suitable schools or community centers
3. Installing a television and a VCR/DVD player
4. Soliciting community input to determine potential program topics
5. Developing original culturally-relevant programs drawing on the resources of Discovery Channel
6. Training teachers over a three-year period to use television and Learning Centers as community educational tools.

<b>Contact</b>	Discovery Channel Global Education Partnership, One Discovery Place, Silver Spring, MD 20910, USA Tel: +1.240.662.2986 Fax: +1.240.662.1847 Email: <a href="mailto:partnership_info@discoveryglobaled.org">partnership_info@discoveryglobaled.org</a> URL: <a href="http://www.discoveryglobaled.org/index.html">http://www.discoveryglobaled.org/index.html</a>
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## Disney Worldwide Conservation Fund Award

*Formerly The Disney Wildlife Conservation Fund (DWCF)*

<b>Deadline</b>	Application is by invitation only. A letter or e-mail of inquiry is required for consideration. See "Contact" below.
<b>Amount</b>	Requests of \$25,000 or less are allowed but overall budget may be larger and incorporate several financial partners.
<b>Eligibility</b>	US non-profit organization to apply, or have a US partner who will apply in collaboration with you.
<b>Location</b>	The DWCF funds programs and projects around the world, including North America, Africa, Australasia, South America and marine environments.
<b>Summary</b>	The Disney Worldwide Conservation Fund Awards were established to promote and enable wildlife conservation through partnerships with scientists, educators and organizations committed to preserving earth's biodiversity. Their interests are in furthering the support of established conservation PROGRAMS -- particularly those long-term in nature -- that preferably have all of these components: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contain a strong in situ component (scientific field studies)</li><li>2. Promote education, awareness and training in country (education programs)</li></ol>

3. Demonstrate a marked benefit to in country participants, habitats and species by working with local communities, regional/national NGO's or governments that directly impact the initiative
4. The principle investigator affirms that the welfare of the animals identified in this study is not compromised. Specifically, the principle investigator affirms that:
  - a. Capture/restraint techniques minimize stress and the potential for physical injury or psychological harm
  - b. Immobilization/anesthesia is done under the direct supervision of a veterinarian or other trained professional
  - c. Exposure to noxious stimuli and presumptive negative effects are minimized with administration of anesthetic and/or analgesic agents where appropriate

The Award will also consider initiatives or PROJECTS that focus in any of the three areas described above and that may lead to a more established overall conservation program or support such a program.

Emergency funding is also provided in times of environmental or conservation crisis or need. Each year the Disney Worldwide Conservation Fund sets aside dollars in a Rapid Response Fund to respond to crises. These awards are capped at \$5,000 and can be applied for throughout the year.

**Contact** The inquiry (for application) can be emailed to [Claire.michael@disney.com](mailto:Claire.michael@disney.com) or mailed to the following address: Conservation and Environmental Sustainability, Attention: Claire Michael, 1316 N. Bear Island Road, Trailer 342, Bay Lake, FL 32830. URL: <http://www.dwcf-rfp.com/>

## **DOEN Foundation**

**Deadline** Applications may be submitted throughout the year and there are no deadlines. On average, the application procedure takes four months..

**Amount** There is no maximum nor minimum amount of contribution, but usually DOEN has a guideline to finance max. 1/3 of the project's budget.

**Eligibility** The application:

1. Comes from a legal body
2. Has a broad national and international appeal
3. Is unable to obtain adequate financing locally
4. The applicant organization strives to become self-supporting
5. Focuses on stimulating entrepreneurship, preferably sustainable entrepreneurship

**Location** DOEN only finances initiatives abroad on the area of Sustainable Development.

**Summary** DOEN Foundation works towards the achievement of a liveable world in which everyone has a place. Acting within its four fields of operation of Sustainable Development, Culture, Welfare and Social Cohesion, it provides subsidies where necessary, and arranges loans and equity investments where possible. DOEN Foundation achieves its objective through the revenues it receives from the Dutch Postcode Lottery, the Sponsor Bingo Lottery and the BankGiro Lottery.

DOEN's primary focus in the area of Sustainable Development consists of social-cultural aspects ('people'), economic aspects ('profit') and ecological aspects ('planet'). DOEN Foundation created the following programs that

represent all aspects:

1. Financial Sector Development
2. Production & Consumption
3. Climate and Energy
4. Social and Economic Human Rights
5. Culture and Media
6. Nature and Environment in the Netherlands and Dutch Antilles

**Contact**

DOEN Foundation, postbus 75621, 1070 AP Amsterdam.  
phone: (+3120) 5737333 fax: (+3120) 5737370 e-mail: [doen@doen.nl](mailto:doen@doen.nl)  
To visit DOEN Foundation: Van Eeghenstraat 70, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. URL: <http://www.doen.nl/web/show/id=44928>

## **Dubai International Award for Best Practices to Improve the Living Environment**

**Deadline** This award is presented every two years. The last deadline was 31 January 2008. See website for updated deadline.

**Amount** There will be 12 winners. 10 for Best Practices and 2 for Best Practices Transfers. Each Award Winner will receive a prize of U.S.\$30,000/- along with a trophy and a certificate. The cost of travelling and full accommodation will be covered by Dubai Municipality for two individuals per every winning practice to attend the award ceremony.

**Eligibility** Participation is opened to all individuals, governmental, non-governmental and civil organizations, universities, institutes and bodies whose initiatives are in fulfilment of the best practice standard.

**Location** NA

**Summary**

Best Practices are outstanding contributions to improving the living environment. They are defined by the United Nations and the international community at large as successful initiatives which:

1. Have a demonstrable and tangible impact on improving people's quality of life
2. Are the result of effective partnerships between the public, private and civic sectors of society
3. Are socially, culturally, economically and environmentally sustainable.

Best Practices are promoted and used by the United Nations and the international community as a means of:

1. Improving public policy based on what works
2. Raising awareness of decision-makers at all levels and of the public of potential solutions to common social, economic and environmental problems
3. Sharing and transferring knowledge, expertise and experience through networking and peer-to-peer learning.

The major criteria for a Best Practice to be considered for the Award include: Impact; Partner; Sustainability; Leadership and Community; Empowerment; Gender Equality and Social Inclusion; Innovation within Local Context and Transferability; Transfers.

**Contact**

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URL : <http://www.dubaiaward.ae/web/default.aspx>

## **e8 Sustainable Energy Development Scholarship Program**

<b>Deadline</b>	Applications for the Post-Doctoral programme must be received by the e8 General Secretariat by December 5, 2008. Applications for the Masters programme must be received by March 20, 2009.
<b>Amount</b>	Scholarships of US\$ 23,000 per year for up to two years are offered for Masters level students. Scholarships of US\$ 30,000 per year for up to two years are offered for Post-Doctoral students. Up to two Post-Doc and ten Masters scholarships will be awarded annually.
<b>Eligibility</b>	To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, students must: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Plan to undertake studies at the Masters level or Post-Doctoral level in areas directly related to sustainable energy development</li><li>2. Be citizens of the developing countries and territories identified for OECD official development aid in the DAC List of ODA Recipients effective as of 2006. See list here: <a href="http://www.e8.org/upload/File/DAC%20List%20of%20ODA%20recipients.pdf">http://www.e8.org/upload/File/DAC%20List%20of%20ODA%20recipients.pdf</a></li></ol>
<b>Location</b>	All universities are eligible for the e8 scholarship. It is preferable that the candidate pursues her/his studies in a university outside his home country.
<b>Summary</b>	<p>Created in the wake of the 1992 Rio Summit, the e8 is a non-profit international organization, composed of 10 leading electricity companies from the G8 countries, whose mission is to play an active role in global electricity issues within the international framework and to promote sustainable energy development through electricity sector projects and human capacity building activities in developing and emerging nations worldwide.</p> <p>Major global environmental and social issues that affect the electric utility industry are considered to be the top priorities of the e8. The issues of sustainable development, climate change, social trust, and internationalisation are the focus of the e8's actions.</p> <p>The purpose of the e8 scholarship is to support outstanding students pursuing advanced studies in sustainable energy development and to encourage meaningful contributions to the collective body of knowledge about this subject. The e8 considers an outstanding student to be one:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Who graduates with excellent grades in the top 20% of her/his class</li><li>2. Who is determined to advance her/his knowledge and understanding</li><li>3. Who has a history of community involvement</li><li>4. Who is committed to sustainable energy</li><li>5. Who is committed to return and contribute to her/his home country</li></ol>
<b>Contact</b>	e8 General Secretariat, 505 de Maisonneuve Blvd West, Lobby, Montréal (Québec), Canada H3A 3C2. T: +1-514-392-8876 F: +1-514-392-8900 E-mail: <a href="mailto:e8generalsecretariat@hydro.qc.ca">e8generalsecretariat@hydro.qc.ca</a> Web site: <a href="http://www.e8.org">www.e8.org</a>

## **Earhart Foundation**

<b>Deadline</b>	NA
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	NA
<b>Summary</b>	Earhart has no known official mission statement, but according to its president, the “basic role [of the foundation] is to influence ideas.” It accomplishes this mission “by providing fellowships to young scholars, usually graduate students

or junior faculty, who are committed to the principles of a free society and who show the potential for high-quality work in political philosophy, economics, and other disciplines in the humanities and social sciences.”

**Contact** Earhart Foundation, 2200 Green Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105.  
URL: <http://rightweb.irc-online.org/profile/511.html>

### **Earth Love Fund**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** Earth Love Fund raises funds and awareness to support environmental conservation projects in tropical rainforests and endangered forests worldwide. Through this work ELF also helps to empower and support indigenous communities, aiding their sustainable development and traditional ways of life.

Earth Love Fund believes that the best way to help save the forests is in partnership with forest people. There are two reasons for this -- one ethical, one practical. Ethically, the people with the greatest right to decide the future of forests are the people who have lived there for generations. Practically, forests have the best chances of survival if the people on the ground are committed to their conservation. Governments and international organisations -- let alone conservation groups -- may rise and fall, but if forests directly benefit local communities, their future is more secure. Earth Love Fund gives small start-up grants to projects which reflect this approach.

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Email: [vic@earthlovefund.com](mailto:vic@earthlovefund.com) URL: <http://www.earthlovefund.co.uk/>

### **Earthwatch Research Grants**

**Deadline** Unsolicited formal applications are no longer supported. To be considered for Earthwatch support, submit a short letter of inquiry (500 words or less).

**Amount** Earthwatch awards research grants on a per capita basis; the total grant amount is determined by multiplying the per capita grant by the number of Earthwatch volunteers participating on the project. Per capita grants average \$850, and the average project grant range is between \$17,000 and \$51,000 for one full field season. A project usually involves 30 to 60 total volunteers per field season, with 5 to 12 volunteers each on 4 to 5 teams throughout the year. Each team typically spends 8 to 15 days in the field. Shorter and longer teams are encouraged as appropriate.

**Eligibility** Earthwatch supports doctoral and post-doctoral researchers, or researchers with equivalent scholarship or commensurate life experience. Earthwatch welcomes proposals from advanced scholars and professionals of any nationality, covering any geographic region. Applicants intending to conduct research in foreign countries are strongly encouraged to include host country nationals as part of their research staff.

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** Earthwatch's proposal review processes are guided by their mission to engage people worldwide in scientific field research and education to promote the understanding and action necessary for a sustainable environment. Accordingly, and in order to build long-term legacies through the scientific research that they

support, Earthwatch has undertaken a strategic review of their program structure and developed four Priority Areas (PAs): Climate Change; Oceans; Sustainable Cultures; and Sustainable Resource Management.

These PAs allow Earthwatch to focus support on critical ecological and cultural challenges encompassing the majority of threats to environmental sustainability. The PAs work together to support research, capacity building, education, and environmental action. Through these priorities, Earthwatch's supported research projects will have positive long-term impacts and will inform both local and global agendas.

**Contact** Earthwatch Institute - United States, 3 Clock Tower Place, Suite 100, Box 75, Maynard, MA 01754, U.S.A. Phones are open Mon–Fri, 9AM–5PM EST Toll-free Phone (US/Can): 1-800-776-0188 Phone: (978) 461-0081 Fax (978) 461-2332 E-mail: FellowshipAwards@earthwatch.org URL: <http://www.earthwatch.org/aboutus/research/scientistopps/reqresprop/>

## Echoing Green Foundation

**Deadline** Echoing Green's application process has three phases. At the conclusion of each phase, the most competitive applicants will be invited to continue in the process. Ultimately, 20 new fellows will be selected. The online application (Phase 1) is opened from 17 September to 1 December.

**Amount** Each year, Echoing Green awards 20 two-year fellowships to social entrepreneurs. Fellows receive up to \$90,000 in seed funding and technical support to turn their innovative ideas into sustainable social change organizations.

**Eligibility** Echoing Green seeks individuals or partnerships (organizations led by two people) with:

1. Innovative solutions to significant social problems
2. Strategies to create high-impact, sustainable change in people's lives
3. The ability to grow and lead a new organization

The application process is open to citizens of all nationalities, working in any country.

**Location** Applicants can be citizens of any nationality and their organizations can be based in any country. However, if the applicant is not a US citizen or permanent resident and does not have legal status to work in the US, no services in connection with their fellowship may be performed in the United States.

**Summary** To accelerate social change, Echoing Green invests in and supports outstanding emerging social entrepreneurs to launch new organizations that deliver bold, high-impact solutions. Through a two-year fellowship program, the Foundation helps their network of visionaries develop new solutions to society's most difficult problems. These social entrepreneurs and their organizations work to solve deeply-rooted social, environmental, economic, and political inequities to ensure equal access and to help all individuals reach their potential. To date, Echoing Green has invested \$27 million in seed funding to over 450 social entrepreneurs and their innovative organizations.

**Contact** Echoing Green, 494 Eighth Ave, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10001. (Entrance on 35th Street) Phone: 212-689-1165 Fax: 212-689-9010 Email: [info@echoinggreen.org](mailto:info@echoinggreen.org) URL: <http://www.echoinggreen.org/>



## **Ecology and Society: The Science and Practice of Ecology and Society Award**

<b>Deadline</b>	The last deadline for nominations was July 1, 2009
<b>Amount</b>	The award consists of 1000 Euro (approx. USD 1,400) and an article in Ecology and Society devoted to this person or organization. This article will be written by those who send in the nomination.
<b>Eligibility</b>	A person or organization that has succeeded in translating transdisciplinary science theory into practice.
<b>Location</b>	NA
<b>Summary</b>	The Science and Practice of Ecology & Society Award is an annual award given to the individual or organization that is the most effective in bringing transdisciplinary science of the interactions of ecology and society into practice. Examples of possible winners include, a high school teacher who develops a special curriculum, a mayor with initiatives and actions for her/his town based on scientific concepts, a journalist who brings scientific insights to a broader audience, or a NGO group who facilitates local knowledge production in rural communities.

The purpose of this award is to recognize the importance of practitioners who translate the scientific findings and insights of the scholarly community to practical applications. The Society wants to identify innovative practitioners so that their story can be an example for others.

Any academic scholar or group of academic scholars can nominate a person or organization. An accompanying letter will argue why this person or organization is an exemplary example of the interface of practice and science in the domain of ecology and society. Self-nominations are not accepted.

<b>Contact</b>	Nomination letters can be sent, preferably electronically, to Dr. Marco Janssen, Email: <a href="mailto:Marco.Janssen@asu.edu">Marco.Janssen@asu.edu</a> . School of Human Evolution and Social Change, Arizona State University, Box 872402, Tempe, AZ 85287-2402. URL: <a href="http://www.ecologyandsociety.org/news/announcements/spes.php">http://www.ecologyandsociety.org/news/announcements/spes.php</a>
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## **Environmental Research and Education Foundation (EREF)**

<b>Deadline</b>	There are two annual deadlines for solicited proposal submissions: January 8 and August 15. The EREF has two submittal deadlines per year for unsolicited pre-proposals: June 1 and October 1.
<b>Amount</b>	The average grant size is about \$100,000. Because the amount of funding for research is limited, the foundation encourages submitting parties to form partnerships with other funding sources (real-dollars or in-kind services). Parties should identify the sources and amounts of external funding in their submissions.
<b>Eligibility</b>	EREF does not discriminate against any parties for any reason.
<b>Location</b>	NA
<b>Summary</b>	The mission of the EREF is to promote environmental solutions for the future through research and education explicitly as it relates to developing and evaluating new approaches to manage solid waste. The EREF is presently North America's only grant making public charity committed to pursuing advances in waste management practices, employee safety, and environmental protection that benefits the public good and all stakeholders in the solid waste industry.



**Contact** Environmental Research and Education Foundation (EREF), 901 N. Pitt Street, Suite 270, Alexandria, Virginia 22314. Tel: 703-299-5139  
Fax: 703-299-5145 URL: <http://www.erefdn.org/guide.html>

### **The Equator Initiative: The Equator Prize**

**Deadline** The last deadline was May 31, 2008  
**Amount** Twenty-five winners will be selected from a field of finalists to receive the Equator Prize 2008 and US\$5,000 each. Five of these communities will receive special recognition and an additional US\$15,000. In addition to worldwide recognition for their work as well as an opportunity to help shape national and global policy and practice in the field, all nominees for the Prize become part of the Equator Initiative's global network and are profiled in the Equator Initiative biodiversity best practice database.

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean

**Summary** The Equator Initiative is a partnership that brings together the United Nations, governments, civil society, businesses, and grassroots organizations to build the capacity and raise the profile of local efforts to reduce poverty through the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity. Started in 2002, the Equator Initiative evolved in response to: the fact that the world's greatest concentrations of biodiversity are found in countries also beset by the world's most acute poverty; and the evolving trend of local leadership in advancing innovative projects in biodiversity conservation and poverty reduction. The Equator Initiative is dedicated to:

1. Celebrating successful local initiatives
2. Creating opportunities for sharing community experiences and good practice
3. Informing policy and fostering an enabling environment for local action
4. Building the capacity of grassroots organizations to deliver results and scale-up impact

The **Equator Prize** is awarded to recognize and celebrate outstanding community efforts to reduce poverty through the conservation of biodiversity. As sustainable community initiatives take root throughout the tropics, they are laying the foundation for a global movement of local successes that are collectively making a significant contribution to achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Special recognition will be given in the following categories: one for each region of eligibility (Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean), one to the initiative that best exemplifies community approaches to adapt to climate change, and one to the initiative that best exemplifies the conservation of agricultural biodiversity.

**Contact** Equator Initiative, Environment and Energy Group, Bureau for Development Policy, Equator Initiative, 405 Lexington Avenue, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10174, USA. Tel: +1 212.457.1709 Fax: +1 212 457 1370  
E-mail: [EquatorInitiative@undp.org](mailto:EquatorInitiative@undp.org)  
URL: <http://www.equatorinitiative.org/index.php>

### **European Union (EU): Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development**

**Deadline** For FP7, the first calls were published on 22 December 2006. For latest call information: <http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm>

<b>Amount</b>	The amended FP7 proposals from the European Commission, following the budget agreement between the European Council and European Parliament amount to a total of EUR 50,521 million (approx. USD 72,000 million), partitioned among the specific programmes as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cooperation: EUR 32,413 million</li> <li>2. Ideas: EUR 7,510 million</li> <li>3. People: EUR 4,750 million</li> <li>4. Capacities: EUR 4,097 million</li> <li>5. JRC (non-nuclear): EUR 1,751 million</li> <li>6. Euratom (to 2011): EUR 2,751 million</li> </ol>
<b>Eligibility</b>	While FP7 participants can in principle be based anywhere, there are different categories of country which may have varying eligibility for different specific and work programmes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Member States - The EU-27</li> <li>2. Associated Countries – with science and technology cooperation agreements that involved contributing to the framework programme budget</li> <li>3. Candidate Countries – currently recognised as candidates for future accession</li> <li>4. Third Countries - the participation of organisations or individuals established in countries that are not Member States, candidates or associated should also be justified in terms of the enhanced contribution to the objectives of FP7.</li> </ol>
<b>Location Summary</b>	See “Eligibility” FP7 is the short name for Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development. This is the EU's main instrument for funding research and development activities covering almost all scientific disciplines and it will run from 2007 to 2013. FP7 is designed to build on the achievements of its predecessor (FP6) towards the creation of the European Research Area, and carry it further towards the development of the knowledge economy and society in Europe. FP7 consists of four main programmes called Cooperation, Ideas, People and Capacities. Each of these programmes is the subject of a 'Specific programme'.
<b>Contact</b>	Directorate-General For Research, European Commission, SDME 2/2, B-1049 Brussels – Belgium. URL: <a href="http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/">http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/</a>

### **The Explorers Club: Exploration Fund**

<b>Deadline</b>	The deadline for receiving applications is January 15th, 2009. See website for updated deadline.
<b>Amount</b>	Awards grants from \$500-1,500. Three winners will be issued \$5000 awards.
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	NA
<b>Summary</b>	The Club provides timely encouragement to young men and women who stand at the threshold of an exciting career in field science through their grant programs. The Exploration Fund and Youth Activity Fund were established to help build a reservoir of talented youth from all social and economic backgrounds who are willing to go to the ends of the earth and beyond to satisfy their thirst for knowledge. Exploration Fund, for graduate and post-doctoral students, provides grants in support of exploration and field research for those who are just beginning their research careers.
<b>Contact</b>	The Explorers Club, 46 East 70th Street, New York, NY 10021. Tel: 212-628-8383 Fax: 212-288-4449 URL: <a href="http://www.explorers.org/resources/funding/funding.php">http://www.explorers.org/resources/funding/funding.php</a>

## ExxonMobil Corporation

Deadline	NA
Amount	NA
Eligibility	NA
Location	NA
Summary	<p>ExxonMobil Corporation is the world's largest publicly traded international oil and gas company, providing energy that helps underpin growing economies and improve living standards around the world. It is their long-standing policy to conduct business in a manner that considers both the environmental and economic needs of the communities in which they operate. They seek to eliminate incidents with environmental impact, and to operate in a manner that is not harmful to the environment.</p> <p><b>1. Save The Tiger Fund</b></p> <p>Founded in 1995, the Save The Tiger Fund is dedicated to supporting the conservation of Asia's remaining wild tigers. The Fund invests in a variety of projects that increase cooperation and communication, build local leadership, and deliver on-the-ground conservation to tigers in human-dominated landscapes.</p> <p><b>2. Leuser Ecosystem</b></p> <p>Conservation of the Leuser Ecosystem involves a range of activities including environmental education, the training of conservation officers, development of conservation-friendly livelihoods for the communities that have traditionally relied upon the ecosystem's resources and direct forest rehabilitation.</p> <p><b>3. Bioko Island</b></p> <p>Equatorial Guinea's Bioko Island is among the world's richest biodiversity hotspots, home to seven critically endangered monkey species, nesting sea turtles and miles of unspoiled rainforest.</p> <p><b>4. Biodiversity Conservation</b></p> <p>ExxonMobil is committed to meeting the world's growing demands for energy in an environmentally responsible manner. We do this by respecting both human and natural habitats and by applying best practice in environmental management.</p>
Contact	URL: <a href="http://www.exxonmobil.com/Corporate/community_environment.aspx">http://www.exxonmobil.com/Corporate/community_environment.aspx</a>

## Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Partnership Programmes: Visiting Experts Programme

Deadline	NA
Amount	The participating institution continues to pay the visiting expert's salary, while FAO covers travel costs and offers a monthly allowance calculated at 75 percent of the United Nations Daily Subsistence Allowance (Over 60 days rate) to help them meet living expenses.
Eligibility	All academic and research institutions of FAO Member Nations.
Location	The programme, open to all academic and research institutions of FAO Member Nations, enables experts from around the world to work with FAO for a period of up to one year.
Summary	Through its Partnership Programmes, FAO is working to create a broad, united front against hunger. Scholars and researchers focus their energy on the most pressing issues related to hunger, food security and rural development. Retired experts lend their expertise to ensure the continued high quality of the Organization's work. Technical experts from all over the world collaborate on

hundreds of field projects.

FAO's Visiting Experts Programme, based on institutional arrangements with academic and scientific organizations, provides a framework for distinguished scholars and researchers who contribute their energies to issues related to hunger and food security. The programme taps the expertise of these highly qualified professionals to meet critical intellectual and analytical needs in FAO's priority programmes. Through the Partnership, both FAO and participating institutions share the costs and benefit from one another's expertise and experience in areas of common concern. Some 68 countries and 7 international institutions have signed or endorsed the programme, and academics, scientists and researchers have carried out about 600 assignments, making valuable contributions to FAO's work.

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Telephone: +39-06-57051 Fax: +39-06-57053152  
E-mail: [FAO-Partnership-Programmes@fao.org](mailto:FAO-Partnership-Programmes@fao.org)  
URL: <http://www.fao.org/GENINFO/partner/en/visit/index.html>

### **Ford Motor Company International Fellowship of the 92nd Street Y**

**Deadline** The last application deadline was June 30, 2008. Please note that applications for the 2009 fellowship are no longer accepted.

**Amount** Airfare, accommodation, food, transportation, instruction, and other program-related expenses are included in the fellowship. Each participant receives a stipend upon arrival.

**Eligibility** Applicants must be 21 years of age or older, though younger applicants should note that they are looking for candidates with several years of leadership experience, and most fellows are already mid-career accomplished professionals. Applicants must demonstrate fluency in English, have valid passports, and have access to a computer and the Internet. They may not be current recipients of other fellowships.

**Location** Participating countries change each year. So far, 156 individuals from 41 countries have participated.

**Summary** Each year, a group of 20-24 emerging leaders from different regions of the world are selected to become Ford Fellows of the 92nd Street Y. The program includes a three-week residency in New York City (June 5-June 24, 2009) and ongoing communication before and after the residency via telephone and email. Fellows are expected to complete assignments prior to their residency to maximize the value of their fellowship experience and after their residency to evaluate its impact and success.

**Contact** For more information about Ford Fellowship applications, call 212.415.5473, fax 212.415.5798, or send mail to: Ford Motor Company International Fellowship of the 92nd Street Y, 92nd Street YM-YWHA, 1395 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10128, USA. URL: [http://www.92y.org/content/ford\\_fellows\\_about.asp](http://www.92y.org/content/ford_fellows_about.asp)

### **Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program (IFP)**

**Deadline** All applications must be submitted to the appropriate IFP International Partner in the country or region where the applicant resides. IFP International Partners determine application deadlines and selection schedules in their region or country.

**Amount** Details may be obtained from the appropriate IFP International Partner offices. See list here: <http://www.fordifp.net/Home/tabid/36/Default.aspx>

<b>Eligibility</b>	Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program applicants must be resident nationals or residents of an eligible IFP country or territory. Currently, these are: Brazil, Chile, China, Egypt, Ghana, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Mexico, Mozambique, Nigeria, Palestinian Territories, Peru, Philippines, Russia, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, Thailand, Uganda, and Vietnam. IFP selects Fellows on the strength of their clearly-stated intention to serve their communities and countries of origin, and expects that they will honor this obligation.
<b>Location</b>	The program offers fellowships for post-graduate study to leaders from underserved communities in Asia, Africa, Latin America, and Russia.
<b>Summary</b>	The Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program provides opportunities for advanced study to individuals who will use this education to become leaders in their respective fields. To ensure that fellows are drawn from diverse backgrounds, IFP actively seeks candidates from social groups and communities that lack systematic access to higher education, and supports them through local partner organizations in 22 countries.

Ford Foundation International Fellows may choose to study in any academic discipline or field of study related to the Ford Foundation's three grant-making areas, which are:

**1. Asset Building and Community Development**

Community Development; Development Finance and Economic Security; Work-force Development; Environment and Development.

**2. Knowledge, Creativity, and Freedom**

Arts and Culture; Education and Scholarship; Media; Religion, Society and Culture; Sexuality and Reproductive Health

**3. Peace and Social Justice**

Civil Society; Governance; Human Rights

<b>Contact</b>	Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program, 809 United Nations Plaza, 9th floor, New York, NY 10017 USA. Tel: (212) 984-5558 For general information about the program, contact the IFP Secretariat at <a href="mailto:question@fordifp.org">question@fordifp.org</a> . URL: <a href="http://www.fordifp.net/Home/tabid/36/Default.aspx">http://www.fordifp.net/Home/tabid/36/Default.aspx</a>
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## Foundation Ensemble

<b>Deadline</b>	For programs of the "Programmes Fund", there are two pre-selection periods a year : mid-March for the June session of the commission and mid-September for the commission sitting in November.
<b>Amount</b>	The minimum amount allocated per project is 40,000 € (approx. USD52,000) per annum, and support is given for at least two years. The Foundation can provide up to 50% of the total budget for the project, up to a maximum subsidy level of 300,000 € (approx. USD391,000).
<b>Eligibility</b>	Fondation Ensemble finances projects, run by NGOs.
<b>Location</b>	Developing countries, France (45% of the projects in which the Foundation is involved are in Africa, 35% in Asia, 17% in Latin America and 10% are in France.)
<b>Summary</b>	G�rard Br�mond and his wife, Jacqueline D�lia-Br�mond, founders of the Foundation Ensemble, had long cherished the idea of becoming involved in work in the public interest. Their children, Delphine, Nathalie and Olivier, share this enthusiasm and support the project. Thus, they have decided to give

concrete expression to their intention, by setting up Fondation Ensemble, which has obtained the official approval in December 2004. Their mission: “All actions undertaken take account of environmental factors and include the protection of the environment and of all living species of animals and plants” (excerpt from the statutes).

The four fields of involvement of the Foundation so illustrate the will of the founders to fight against poverty while participating durably in the protection of the environment:

1. Water and Sanitation
2. Sustainable development
3. Animal Biodiversity
4. Solidarity/Environment in France

Programmes Fund represents 85% of the annual budget . It covers Water and Sanitation , sustainable development fields of involvement in developing countries, and Solidarity and Environmental Education in France.

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Tel : + 33 (0)1 45 51 18 82 Fax : + 33 (0)1 45 51 18 90  
E-mail: [contact@fondationensemble.org](mailto:contact@fondationensemble.org) .

### **Foundation for the Future: Research Grant Awards**

**Deadline** Preliminary Grant Applications must be submitted between January 1 and April 30 of a given year to be considered for funding awarded in that year.

**Amount** \$5,000–\$25,000 only for subjects that are of interest to the Foundation.

**Eligibility**

1. Individuals (individuals who are residents of the United States and whose approved grants are not affiliated with non-profit organizations will be issued 1099s for tax purposes)
2. Universities and colleges
3. State, provincial, and local government offices
4. Non-profit, non-academic organizations with governmental determination of non-profit status, e.g. public interest groups, associations, policy study groups, or think tanks

**Location** Preliminary Grant Applications are accepted from anywhere in the world.  
**Summary** The Foundation For the Future conducts and funds a Research Grants Program to provide financial support to scholars undertaking research at a macro level that is directly related to better understanding the factors affecting the long-term future of humanity.

Preliminary Grant Applications, in this cycle, will be considered for funding only if they pertain to one of the four specific subject areas described below:

1. How will global changes in birth rates, mortality rates, and reproductive technology affect the human genome over the long-term future?
2. What effect will the current global immigration and emigration of populations have on the demography of the planet over the long-term future?
3. What are likely to be the major global driving forces/initiatives/issues for humanity through the new millennium?
4. Are mechanisms of biological and cultural evolution in sync with our systems of governance and economy? How are they likely to evolve and develop over the long-term future?

**Contact** Foundation For the Future, 123 105th Avenue SE, Bellevue, Washington USA 98004-6265. Tel 425-451-1333 Fax 425-451-1238



URL: <http://www.futurefoundation.org/index.html>

## Gates, Bill and Melinda Foundation

Deadline	NA
Amount	NA
Eligibility	The foundation awards the majority of its grants to U.S. 501(c)(3) organizations and other tax-exempt organizations identified by our staff. Grantees and partners then work with beneficiaries in the field.
Location	Worldwide, USA
Summary	The foundation is organized into three main program areas, each with a specific focus:

### 1. Global Development

The mission of this program is to increase opportunities for people in developing countries to overcome hunger and poverty. The focus are on areas with the potential for high-impact, sustainable solutions that can reach hundreds of millions of people. The Foundation works closely with their partners to support innovative approaches and expand existing ones so they reach the people who need them most. They also support policy and advocacy efforts to accelerate progress against the world's most acute poverty. The work that they do:

**a. Agricultural Development:** Three quarters of the 1.1 billion people living on less than \$1 a day live in rural areas, and most rely on agriculture for their food and income. The Foundation works to help these small farmers boost their productivity, increase their incomes, and build better lives for their families.

**b. Financial Services for the Poor:** Financial services, such as savings accounts, insurance, and loans, help people improve their lives—but billions of poor people in the developing world don't have access. The Foundation works to make safe, affordable financial services—particularly savings accounts—more widely available to people in developing countries so they can manage risks, take advantage of opportunities, and increase their financial security.

**c. Special Initiatives:** There are many ways to reduce poverty and increase opportunities. Through the work in Special Initiatives, the Foundation explores how best to make a difference in areas such as water, sanitation, and hygiene; urban poverty; and emergency relief. They also help expand free access to computers and the Internet and the opportunities they enable through their Global Libraries work.

**d. Policy and Advocacy:** Lasting progress against global hunger and poverty will take international attention and commitment—from all corners and across all sectors. The Foundation works to increase awareness of global development issues, identify and promote powerful solutions, and advocate for more—and more effective—investments.

URL: <http://www.gatesfoundation.org/global-development/Pages/overview.aspx>

### 2. Global Health

The mission is to help ensure that advances in health are created and shared with those who need them most. The Foundation focuses on three priority areas: Discover new insights to fight serious diseases and other health problems affecting developing countries; Develop effective and affordable vaccines, medicines, and other health tools; Deliver proven health solutions to those who



need them most. Support is also given to advocacy efforts to build awareness of global health challenges, develop new ways to finance health programs, and improve health data. The Foundation support the Grand Challenges in Global Health initiative, which funds research on scientific problems that, if solved, could lead to advances against multiple diseases.

URL: <http://www.gatesfoundation.org/global-health/Pages/overview.aspx>

### 3. United States Program

The mission is to help ensure greater opportunity for all Americans through the attainment of secondary and postsecondary education with genuine economic value. The Foundation works with partners to tackle some of the difficult problems faced in the United States. The primary focus is on improving public education.

URL: <http://www.gatesfoundation.org/united-states/Pages/program-overview.aspx>

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## German Academic Exchange (DAAD): Funding for Academic Cooperation and Exchange

**Deadline** Varies by award

**Amount** Varies by award

**Eligibility** Varies by award

**Location** Germany, Kenya, Sub-Saharan Africa.

**Summary** The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is a joint organization of Germany's higher education institutions and is responsible for promoting international academic relations, primarily through the exchange of students, academics and researchers. The mandate of the predominantly publicly-funded DAAD is to raise the international profile of Germany's higher education institutions and to serve as a "mediating organization" in the government's foreign, European, development and higher education policies.

DAAD's main objectives include:

1. Encouraging outstanding young students and academics from abroad to come to Germany for study or research visits and, if possible, maintaining contact with them as life-long partners,
2. Qualifying young German researchers and professionals at the very best institutions around the world in a spirit of tolerance and openness,
3. Promoting the internationality and appeal of Germany's universities and higher education institutions,
4. Maintaining or establishing German studies including German language, literature and cultural studies at an appropriate level at major foreign universities, and
5. Helping the developing countries of the South and the reforming states of the East to establish efficient higher education structures.

There are various types of DAAD funding available. See the list below.

#### 1. Funding For Study & Research in Kenya & Sub-Saharan Africa:

- a. In-Country / In-Region Scholarships

b. Master of Arts (MA) in German Studies at the University of Nairobi, Kenya

## **2. Funding For Academic Collaboration & Exchange are divided into Individual and Group Applications.**

### **a. Individual Applications:**

- i. Germans Going to Sub-Saharan Africa
  - Short Term Lecturership
  - Long Term Lecturership
  - Lecturers for German Language at African Universities
  - Bilateral Exchange of Academics Programme (WAP)
  - Advisory Programme
- ii. Africans Going to Germany
  - Re-Invitation Programme for Former Scholarship Holders
  - Bilateral Exchange of Academics (WAP)
- iii. Within Sub-Saharan Africa
  - IUCEA Staff Exchange Programme
  - AAU Staff Exchange Programme

### **b. Group Applications:**

- i. Inter-University Partnerships
  - ii. DIES Partnerships in Higher Education Management
  - iii. Medical Programme
  - iv. Fact Finding Missions
- See their website for details.

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## **German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ): Small Grants for International Agricultural Research**

*Formerly Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ): Project Funding for International Agricultural Research Centers*

**Deadline** Proposals should be submitted to meet the two deadlines: May 31 and October 31. Only one proposal per year is accepted for each applicant (the center or the institute).

**Amount** The maximum amount of funding for a Small Grant Project is EUR 60,000 - approx. US\$ 83,000 - (including indirect costs) for a period of 1, maximum 2 years. A second phase is generally not possible.

**Eligibility** There are two groups of eligible applicants:

1. All CGIAR Centers, the Water and Food Challenge Program, the Sub-Saharan Africa Challenge Program, ICIPE and AVRDC - The World Vegetable Center.
2. German research institutes in the area of agriculture, forestry, nutrition, fisheries, veterinary science, as well as other disciplines oriented towards development in the tropics and subtropics and transition countries.

**Location** NA

**Summary** Germany provides funding for International Agricultural Research Centers through various funding mechanisms, namely:

1. Project Funding: a competitive funding scheme with a maximum budget of 1.2 Mio. Euro over 3 years
2. Post Doc Program
3. Integrated Experts and Young Professionals in collaboration with the Centrum für internationale Migration und Entwicklung (CIM, [www.cimonline.de](http://www.cimonline.de))
4. Small Grants Program: a competitive funding scheme with a maximum budget of 60,000 Euro over 2 years.

The Small Grants Program aims at:

1. Funding innovative projects with high potential for development impact.
2. Providing German agricultural research institutions with funding to initiate, prepare, plan, or complement cooperation with International Agricultural Research Centers (seed money).
3. Promoting the development of new research partnerships between German agricultural re-search institutions and International Agricultural Research Centers.

General Criteria:

1. Proposals should clearly state that the research approach is particularly innovative, e.g. new technologies, products, benefits, results, or new delivery methods and services.
2. Other criteria and the development objectives as stated in the guidelines for 'project funding' apply also to the Small Grants Program.
3. Proposals may come from the six thematic priorities for German project funding, but are not limited to those.
4. New partnerships are particularly encouraged.

Additional criteria for international applicants listed below:

1. Cooperation with a German research institute; a letter of intent from the German partner institute must be submitted together with the proposal.
2. The project coordinator should be a German national, preferably funded through BEAF's Post-Doc Program or an arrangement with the Centrum für internationale Migration und Entwicklung (CIM).

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### **Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF): Ebbe Nielsen Prize**

- Deadline** The last deadline was 31 March 2009. Check the website for the next deadline.
- Amount** The Prize consists of €30,000, (approx. \$42,000) and is intended to allow the recipient(s), who may reside in any country, to engage in biosystematics/biodiversity informatics research outside his/her/their country of residence for a period of 3-6 months. However, the use of the funds will be at the discretion of the recipient(s).
- Eligibility** The Prize is primarily intended to be awarded to a promising researcher in the early stage of his/her career who is combining biosystematics and biodiversity informatics research in an exciting and novel way. This does not preclude

researchers at later stages in their career from being nominated where they are able to demonstrate new and novel research in biosystematics/biodiversity informatics.

**Location**  
**Summary**

No restrictions

The prize honors the memory of Ebbe Nielsen and is awarded annually to a promising researcher who is combining biosystematics and biological diversity informatics research that supports the objectives of GBIF in an exciting and novel way.

The nominating package will consist of the following documents (written in English) in electronic form:

1. A cover letter from the Head of Delegation of the nominating GBIF Participant that describes the novel and exciting nature of the results of the nominee's research;
2. A curriculum vitae for the nominee(s);
3. Evidence of the nominee(s)' relevant research, such as reprints, URLs of websites, or other supporting materials;
4. Up to three (3) supporting letters from experts in the fields of biosystematics, bioinformatics and/or biodiversity informatics;
5. A statement from the nominee(s) that describes how the Prize will be used.

**Contact**

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## **Global Change System for Analysis, Research, and Training (START)**

**Deadline**

Opportunities for grants and awards pertaining to the various programs are frequently announced in the START News section.

**Amount**

NA

**Eligibility**

NA

**Location**

Africa

**Summary**

START supports region-specific programs and activities through fellowships, training workshops, and advanced institutes. START's work aims to:

1. Increase the number of scientists in developing countries working on global environmental change issues, i.e., are exploring the links between climate change, biodiversity loss and land degradation,
2. Contribute to research on global change in areas of the world where access to resources and networks is scarce,
3. Encourage research that contributes to understanding global environmental change in the context of regional and national development priorities, and
4. Strengthen scientific networks by fostering collaborative relationships between professors, fellows, doctoral students and other professionals working in the field of global environmental change science and policy.

### **1. African Climate Change Fellowship Program (ACCFP)**

The African Climate Change Fellowship Program (ACCFP) offers experiential learning, education, research and training opportunities to African professionals, researchers and graduate students that will build their capabilities for advancing and applying knowledge for climate change adaptation in Africa.

Participating Fellows receive small grants that enable them to undertake Policy, Post- Doctoral, Doctoral or Teaching Fellowships. The Fellows visit other institutions – Host Institutions – to implement a project of their own design that enhances their understanding of climate risks, vulnerabilities and adaptation strategies, assesses current practices for designing and implementing adaptation projects and/or promotes integration of adaptation with planning, policy and decision-making.

For details: <http://start.org/programs/accfp>

## **2. START Grants for Global Environmental Change Research in Africa**

START's Grants for Global Environmental Change Research in Africa are awarded to African scientists for one-year projects on global environmental change (GEC) in Africa. Research must contribute to:

- a. Improving knowledge of the Earth's changing climate and environment, including its natural variability, and/ or how the research will improve understanding of the causes of observed variability and change;
- b. Improving quantification of the driving forces of changes in the Earth's climate and systems;
- c. Reducing uncertainty in projections of how the Earth's climate and related systems may change in the future;
- d. Understanding the sensitivity and adaptability of different natural and managed ecosystems and human systems to climate and related global changes;
- e. Assessing impacts, adaptation and risk management strategies related to climate variability and change.

The START Grants for GEC Research in Africa are provided only to African scientist who are associated with an African institution of higher learning or with an African non-governmental organization. Funding is provided by the US Climate Change Science Program, administered by US National Science Foundation.

For details: <http://start.org/programs/africangec>

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## **Global Change System for Analysis, Research, and Training (START): Capacity Building Programme**

**Deadline** See the website for announcements.  
**Amount** NA  
**Eligibility** NA  
**Location** START currently works in Africa, Asia and the Pacific.  
**Summary** START builds research capacity among people and institutions in developing countries. Their focus is on developing cross-disciplinary research skills in order to better understand the underlying causes of global and regional environmental change, gauge the impacts, and find policy-oriented solutions that reduce vulnerability and help societies adapt. START places particular emphasis on the creation of 'science-policy amphibians' – people who understand the science behind issues and can translate it into policy. Such skills are of growing importance in the context of national development needs and international climate negotiations.

Through its capacity building activities, START:

1. Provides fellowships and research grants to early- and mid-career scientists
2. Develops workshops, advanced institutes and course modules for scientists, resource managers, and development professionals
3. Brings scientists and policymakers together to enhance understanding of climate change risks among decision makers
4. Paves the way for collaborative regional research in Africa, Asia, and the Pacific
5. Implements and promotes regional data and information platforms
6. Mobilizes resources to support capacity building.

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### **The Global Conservation Fund**

**Deadline** The Fund is not accepting proposals for new projects at this time. They are focusing on consolidating their existing portfolio and creating the long-term financing strategies for those areas.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** GCF is able to support projects in any of the Biodiversity Hotspots and High-Biodiversity Wilderness Areas and key marine regions. Regions include Africa & Madagascar, Asia-Pacific, Europe & Central Asia, North & Central America, and South America.

**Summary** The Global Conservation Fund is a program within the Conservation Funding Division at Conservation International (CI). GCF has provided grants to support projects led by other CI programs around the world, as well as more than 40 partner institutions.

The Global Conservation Fund grants are designed to create or expand critical areas for conservation, as well as contribute to the financial sustainability and effective management of those areas. GCF grants fall into three categories:

1. Planning/Strategy Development Grants
2. Project Implementation Grants
3. Long-term Financing Grants

The desired outcome for projects financed with GCF funds is a newly created or expanded conservation area with ongoing management supported by a long-term financing mechanism.

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### **Global Crop Diversity Trust: Trust Grants**

**Deadline** The last deadline for submissions was 1 October 2008

**Amount** Provision of multi-year grants for the storage component of long-term conservation is made with particular care. The context in which such grants are made is particularly competitive. In addition to providing support for conservation, the Trust promotes availability and use of crop diversity by strengthening information and information systems.



In all cases, the Trust seeks to build effective, sustainable partnerships. And, it seeks to leverage the support it provides. Cost-sharing is the norm, as is the provision of secured matching funds.

The Trust operates with a global perspective. It does not have the mandate or ability to provide financial support to activities whose scope or impact is purely national or institute-specific. All grants are made on the basis of contracts that specify the availability of genetic resources and associated information in conformity with the provisions of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture.

#### Eligibility

The Trust, in working towards the development and maintenance of an efficient and effective global conservation system, has adopted four basic principles that must be met in order for a collection to be eligible for support.

1. The plant genetic resources are of crops included in Annex 1 or referred to in Article 15.1 (b) of the International Treaty.
2. The plant genetic resources are accessible under the internationally agreed terms of access and benefit sharing provided for in the multilateral system as set out in the International Treaty.
3. Each holder of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture commits itself to long term conservation and availability.
4. Each recipient of funds from the Trust shall undertake to work in partnership with the aim of developing an efficient and effective global conservation system.

#### Location

NA

#### Summary

Farming throughout the world is underpinned by the vast genetic diversity of agricultural plants. This diversity provides the means for adapting crops to meet rapidly changing climatic conditions, with their diverse effects on the magnitude and frequency of both biotic and abiotic stresses. More than 6 million samples of different crops are currently maintained in some 1,500 collections around the world, representing humanity's most important resource in the struggle to feed its ever-expanding population under changing climates, shifting pests and diseases and increasing energy costs. Yet, in spite of its importance, much of this genetic storehouse remains untapped – a neglect that largely arises from the fact that much of it has yet to be adequately characterized and evaluated. We do not know enough about the collections we are conserving. A lack of readily available and accurate data on key traits can severely hamper plant breeders' efforts to identify material they can use in their efforts to breed new varieties for the new climates most countries will experience in the coming decades.

Recognizing this bottleneck to the use of collections, and the urgency of the need, the Global Crop Diversity Trust initiated in 2007 a competitive grants scheme to support the evaluation of crop genetic resources. The grants will enable breeders and others to screen germplasm collections for important phenotypic characteristics and to make the information generated publicly available.

#### **The Trust does not accept unsolicited applications for funding.**

#### Contact

The Trust is jointly hosted by FAO and Bioversity International, and can be contacted at the following address: Global Crop Diversity Trust, c/o FAO, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy. Tel: +39 06 570 55142 Tel: +39 06 570 53324 Fax: +39 06 570 55634 E-mail: [info@croptrust.org](mailto:info@croptrust.org) URL: <http://www.croptrust.org/main/contact.php>

## Global Development Network (GDN): Annual Global Development Awards and Medals Competition

<b>Deadline</b>	The last date for submission of the online registration form, a full description of the project and proposal in the application template (available at <a href="http://www.gdnet.org/~2009awards">http://www.gdnet.org/~2009awards</a> ) and CVs of project team members is August 24, 2009.
<b>Amount</b>	The winning project receives a cash award of US\$ 30,000 and all travel expenses to GDN's Eleventh Annual Global Development Conference in Prague, Czech Republic in January 2010. The runner-up organization will receive a cash prize of US\$ 5,000.
<b>Eligibility</b>	The MIDP Award is open to all innovative development projects in Africa, Asia, Middle East, Latin America and the Caribbean, Pacific Islands, and the transition economies of Eastern Europe and Central Asia. The project must be managed by an organization with its headquarters in a country in one of the above regions. The project must have been implemented before December 31, 2007.
<b>Location</b>	See "Eligibility" section above.
<b>Summary</b>	The Japanese Award for Most Innovative Development Project (MIDP) is a competitive grant program administered by the Global Development Network (GDN) that identifies and funds innovative, early-stage projects with high potential for development impact in developing and transition countries. Using GDN funding as a launching pad, many projects go on to scale up or replicate elsewhere. The award will be given to the organization whose project embodies a fresh approach to an important development need and holds the greatest promise for benefiting the poor in developing and transition countries.

The project will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- 1. Creativity/Innovativeness:** How is your project (or aspect of your project, including its approach) different from existing approaches? Note that transferring an approach to solve a common problem from one beneficiary group or from one geographic area to another is not considered innovative for the purpose of this award.
- 2. Objective & Measuring Results:** What development idea is this project addressing? Does it have clear and measurable results that will have a direct impact on improving individuals' or communities' livelihood?
- 3. Project Design & Organizational Capacity:** Does the project have a realistic plan with concrete steps/activities to achieve its objectives within the one year span of implementation after receiving the funds? Does the organization have capacity to implement the project?
- 4. Social Impact & its Sustainability:** Does the project contribute to poverty alleviation and development in the short and long term? Is the development impact sustainable in the long run? How does the organization assess the project's impact? Does it have the capacity to sustain the results of the project?
- 5. Replicability:** How easily can the project be replicated in other countries, regions, sectors and cultures?
- 6. Cost Efficiency:** What are the measurable impacts/outcomes of the project in comparison to the cost of the program?
- 7. Capacity Building:** Does the project help strengthen capacity of the targeted population to continue with the work themselves in the long run? Has the targeted population demonstrated an increase in skill development or an increased willingness to learn new skills?

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## **Global Development Network (GDN): Global Research Projects (GRPs)**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** Global Research Projects seek to explain different elements of development through a comprehensive and comparative approach, harnessing the global nature of the network to conduct studies in many countries simultaneously. They balance GDN's twin goals of generating high-quality research and building research capacity with its developing country partners. The projects involve case studies in different countries on a common theme. Building understanding at the country-level and comparing across countries allows impacts to be tracked and outcomes anticipated to provide a sound basis for policy intervention.

Global Research Projects also encourage networking among researchers from different countries. Key to this effort is the facilitation of high-quality work by local authors in partnership with each other and with development specialists from around the world. Through such networking and capacity building, GDN hopes to facilitate the creation of local knowledge of a global calibre, which is essential for development.

Current Global Research Projects:

1. Varieties of Governance: Effective Public Service Delivery - Education, Water supply, Roads
2. Development on the Move: Measuring and Optimizing Migration's Economic and Social Impacts
3. Promoting Innovative Programs from the Developing World - Towards Realizing the Health MDGs in Africa and Asia

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## **Global Environment Facility (GEF) Project Funding**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** Since 1991, the Global Environment Facility has provided \$6.8 billion in grants and generated over \$24 billion in cofinancing from other sources to support over 1,900 projects that produce global environmental benefits in more than 160 developing countries and countries with economies in transition. GEF funds are contributed by donor countries. In 2006, 32 donor countries pledged \$3.13 billion to fund operations for four years. See "Summary" for details.

<b>Eligibility</b>	Any eligible individual or group may propose a project, which must meet two key criteria: It must reflect national or regional priorities and have the support of the country or countries involved, and it must improve the global environment or advance the prospect of reducing risks to it. GEF project ideas may be proposed directly to UNDP, UNEP, or the World Bank.
<b>Location</b>	Country eligibility to receive funding is determined in two ways. Developing countries that have ratified the relevant treaty are eligible to propose biodiversity and climate change projects. Other countries, primarily those with economies in transition, are eligible if the country is a party to the appropriate treaty and is eligible to borrow from the World Bank or receive technical assistance grants from UNDP.
<b>Summary</b>	An independent financial organization, the GEF provides grants to developing countries for projects that benefit the global environment and promote sustainable livelihoods in local communities. The GEF funds projects in six focal areas: Biodiversity, Climate change, International waters, Ozone depletion, Land degradation, and Persistent organic pollutants.

### **Biodiversity**

A wide spectrum of efforts to conserve and sustainably use earth's biological diversity makes up nearly half of all GEF projects. As the financial mechanism for the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), GEF receives guidance from the conference of parties (or COP) on policy, strategy, program priorities, and eligibility criteria related to the use of resources for purposes of the Convention. Projects generally deal with one or more of four critical ecosystem types and the human communities found there: 1) arid and semi-arid zones; 2) coastal, marine, and freshwater resources; 3) forests; and 4) mountains.

### **GEF Funding Options**

**1. Full-size projects.** GEF's three implementing agencies (and soon RDBs) work with the operational focal point in each recipient country to develop project ideas that are consistent both with the country's national programs and priorities and with GEF's operational strategy and programs. Regional or global programs and projects may be developed in all countries that endorse the proposed activity.

**2. Medium-Sized Projects (MSPs).** Grants of less than US\$1 million are available through expedited procedures that speed processing and implementation. These medium-sized grants increase GEF's flexibility in programming resources and encourage a wider range of interested parties to propose and develop project concepts. View the MSP Guidelines. In addition, the GEF has developed a two-year \$5 million program with the Development Market Place to fund smaller projects using an expedited procedure.

**3. Enabling Activities.** Grants for enabling activities help countries to prepare national inventories, strategies, and action plans in cooperation with the Convention on Biological Diversity and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. This assistance enables countries to assess biodiversity and climate change challenges from a national perspective, determine the most promising opportunities for project development, and subsequently pursue full-scale projects.

**4. Project Preparation and Development Facility (PDF).** Funding for project preparation is available in three categories or "blocks." Block A grants

(up to \$25,000) fund the very early stages of project or program identification, and are approved through GEF's implementing agencies. Block B grants (up to \$350,000 for single-country projects and up to \$700,000 for multiple-country projects) fund information gathering necessary to complete project proposals and provide necessary supporting documentation. These grants are approved by the GEF CEO, with attention to the GEF operations committee's recommendations. Block C grants (up to \$1 million) provide additional financing, where required, for larger projects to complete technical design and feasibility work. Block C grants are normally made available after a project proposal is approved by the GEF Council.

**5. Small Grants Program.** UNDP administers this project, which offers grants of up to \$50,000 to eligible projects. Visit the Small Grants Program webpage.

**6. Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) Program.** A partnership with the International Finance Corporation (IFC), a World Bank affiliate, the SME program finances projects that demonstrate a positive environmental impact and have basic financial viability, thus promoting private sector investment opportunities in developing countries. Visit the SME webpage.

**Contact**

URL:

[http://www.gefweb.org/Operational\\_Policies/Eligibility\\_Criteria/Funding\\_Options/funding\\_options.html](http://www.gefweb.org/Operational_Policies/Eligibility_Criteria/Funding_Options/funding_options.html)

**Global Environment Facility (GEF): Small Grants Programme**

**Deadline**

NA

**Amount**

The maximum grant amount per project is US\$50,000, but averages around US\$20,000. Grants are channeled directly to CBOs and NGOs. More than 10,000 grants have been awarded worldwide to date, with many benefiting multiple communities.

**Eligibility**

Grants are made directly to community-based organizations (CBOs) and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in recognition of the key role they play as a resource and constituency for environment and development concerns.

**Location**

At present, 101 countries participate in SGP having ratified the conventions on biological diversity and climate change. Each participating country develops a country programme strategy, which adapts the SGP global strategic framework to specific country conditions. SGP country strategies take into account existing national biodiversity and climate change strategies and plans, as well as those relating to national development and poverty eradication. They may put emphasis on certain thematic areas and, particularly in large countries, are encouraged to adopt geographic concentration to ensure synergy and impact as well as to facilitate programme administration.

**Summary**

Established in 1992, the year of the Rio Earth Summit, SGP embodies the very essence of sustainable development. SGP channels financial and technical support directly to NGOs and CBOs for activities that conserve and restore the environment while enhancing people's well-being and livelihoods. SGP supports activities in support of the GEF priorities - biodiversity conservation, abatement of climate change, protection of international waters, prevention of land degradation and elimination of persistent organic pollutants.

The principle objectives of the Small Grants Programme are to:

1. Develop community-level strategies and implement technologies that could reduce threats to the global environment if they are replicated over time.
2. Gather lessons from community-level experience and initiate the sharing of



successful community-level strategies and innovations among CBOs and NGOs, host governments, development aid agencies, GEF and others working on a regional or global scale.

3. Build partnerships and networks of stakeholders to support and strengthen community, NGO and national capacities to address global environmental problems and promote sustainable development.

4. Ensure that conservation and sustainable development strategies and projects that protect the global environment are understood and practised by communities and other key stakeholders.

**Contact** There are 84 country offices, two regional offices, and two sub-regional offices with day-to-day management by SGP National Coordinators. See here for contact details of each country office:

<http://sgp.undp.org/index.cfm?module=SGP&page=Contact>

URL: <http://sgp.undp.org/index.cfm>

### **The Global Fund for Community Foundations (GFCE)**

**Deadline** See summary.

**Amount** The Fund provides one-year grants up to an amount of U.S. \$50,000 (although most grants are in the range of U.S. \$5,000 - \$30,000) to emerging and more established community foundations, philanthropy support organizations and community foundation networks and associations.

**Eligibility** Community foundations and support organizations:

1. A community foundation is a local grantmaking organization which seeks to accumulate contributions from a variety of local sources and, where possible, to create a permanent asset base in the form of an endowment.

2. Within the framework of the Global Fund, the following types of organizations can be considered support organizations:

a. Independent, non-profit service providers to the civil society or philanthropic sector which demonstrate a strong understanding of the community foundation concept and sufficient technical expertise to assist community foundation development

b. Associations of community foundations which can provide services to and organize convenings for its members and other aspiring initiatives

c. Established community foundations whose authority, professionalism and asset base put them in a strong enough position to provide support to less developed community foundations in their country.

**Location** The Fund provides grants and technical support to community foundations and other local philanthropic institutions and support organizations primarily in developing economies in Latin America, Africa, Asia, the Middle East, East and Central Europe, and Central Asia. Priority will be given to those countries where access to other funding opportunities is limited. Applications from community foundations representing disadvantaged communities in the Global North will also be considered on a case by case basis.

**Summary** The Global Fund for Community Foundations (GFCE) seeks to strengthen and promote institutions of local philanthropy around the world so that they can realize their potential as key players in the development process. The Fund makes small grants to develop the capacities of community foundations and other local philanthropic institutions which are grantmakers and which raise funds from local sources.



The Fund is currently inviting letters of intent for its main grants round in 2009 in the following areas:

1. To support exploration, capacity building and experimentation among individual community foundations, local philanthropic institutions and start-up initiatives (Deadline for letter of intent: 7th August 2009. Deadline for full application: 30th September 2009)
2. To promote collaborative approaches and develop and strengthen networks of community foundations and other philanthropic institutions, nationally, regionally and internationally. (Deadline for letter of intent: 7th August 2009. Deadline for full application: 30th September 2009)
3. To support and promote research and thinking around policy development, advocacy and ways strengthening the linkages between community foundations and local philanthropy with the efforts of governments and international donor institutions to promote community-driven development. (No date restriction)

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URL: <http://www.wings-globalfund.org/index.php>

## **The Global Fund for Women**

**Deadline** NA  
**Amount** The majority of our grants range between \$500 to a maximum annual grant of \$20,000.  
**Eligibility** NA  
**Location** The Global Fund organizes its grantmaking into five geographic regions: Africa, Americas and the Caribbean, Asia and Oceania, Europe and the Former Soviet States, Middle East and North Africa  
**Summary** The Global Fund for Women is an international network of women and men committed to a world of equality and social justice. The Fund advocates for and defends women's human rights by making grants to support women's groups around the world. The Global Fund makes grants to seed, strengthen and link women's rights groups based outside the United States working to address human rights issues that include:  

1. Ending Gender-Based Violence and Building Peace
2. Ensuring Economic and Environmental Justice
3. Advancing Health and Sexual and Reproductive Rights
4. Expanding Civic and Political Participation
5. Increasing Access to Education
6. Fostering Social Change Philanthropy

In their efforts to link women's rights groups outside the United States, the Global Fund also funds a limited number of small, time-sensitive grants to participants and organizers of conferences that bring together and build the capacity of women's rights activists.

**Contact** Main Office: Global Fund for Women, 222 Sutter Street, Suite 500, San Francisco, CA 94108, USA. Phone 415.248.4800 Fax 415.248.4801

## **Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria**

**Deadline** The deadline for Round 9 call for proposals was 1 June 2009  
**Amount** NA

<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>Determining country eligibility for funding is a multi-step process, drawing on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The World Bank's classification of countries and other economies by income level;</li> <li>2. A Global Fund requirement that certain applicants (Lower-middle income and Upper-middle income applicants) ensure a predominant focus on key affected populations in their proposals; and</li> <li>3. A newly introduced principle of 'cost sharing' for Lower-middle income and Upper-middle income applicants.</li> </ol> <p>See here for details: <a href="http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/eligibility/?lang=en">http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/eligibility/?lang=en</a></p>
<b>Location Summary</b>	<p>See “Eligibility” section above</p> <p>The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, an international financing institution, invests the world’s money to save lives. To date, it has committed US\$ 15.6 billion in 140 countries to support large-scale prevention, treatment and care programs against the three diseases. The Global Fund provides grants on a discretionary basis in support of technically sound and cost-effective interventions for the prevention of infection and the treatment, care and support of persons infected and directly affected by HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria.</p>
<b>Contact</b>	<p>The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria; Geneva Secretariat, Chemin de Blandonnet 8, 1214 Vernier, Geneva, Switzerland. Tel: +41 58 791 1700 Fax: +41 58 791 17 01 URL: <a href="http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/applicantsimplemeters/?lang=en">http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/applicantsimplemeters/?lang=en</a></p>

## The Goldman Environmental Prize

<b>Deadline</b>	<p>Each spring the Goldman Environmental Foundation receives nominations from a pre-selected group of environmental experts from around the world. Nominators include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A diverse group of organizations working on environmental issues world-wide (see here for list of 2009 nominating organizations: <a href="http://www.goldmanprize.org/theprize/nominators">http://www.goldmanprize.org/theprize/nominators</a>)</li> <li>2. A confidential panel of over 150 environmental experts from more than 70 nations, including citizen activists, distinguished environmentalists working in the field, and prominent policymakers.</li> </ol> <p>The Goldman Environmental Prize does not accept unsolicited nominations.</p>
<b>Amount</b>	<p>The Goldman Prize amplifies the voices of these grassroots leaders and provides them with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. International recognition that enhances their credibility</li> <li>2. Worldwide visibility for the issues they champion</li> <li>3. Financial support of \$150,000 to pursue their vision of a renewed and protected environment</li> </ol> <p>In addition to a monetary prize, every year each of the six Goldman Prize winners receives a bronze sculpture called the Ouroboros. Common to many cultures around the world, the Ouroboros, which depicts a serpent biting its tail, is a symbol of nature’s power of renewal.</p>
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>The following premises guide the Goldman Environmental Prize Jury in selecting Prize winners:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recent achievements that have enhanced the environment and inspired others are the foundation for recognition.</li> <li>2. Grassroots initiatives are given priority over scientific, academic or governmental activities.</li> </ol>

3. Private citizens are given priority over executives of large NGOs.
4. Government employees are eligible only for work outside the scope of their official responsibilities.
5. The Prize is not a lifetime achievement award, nor is it given posthumously.

**Location** The Goldman Prize annually honor grassroots environmental heroes from the six inhabited continental regions: Africa, Asia, Europe, Islands and Island Nations, North America, and South and Central America.

**Summary** In 1990 San Francisco civic leaders and philanthropists Richard N. Goldman and his late wife, Rhoda H. Goldman (1924-1996) created the Goldman Environmental Prize. The Prize recognizes individuals for sustained and significant efforts to protect and enhance the natural environment, often at great personal risk. The Goldman Prize views “grassroots” leaders as those involved in local efforts, where positive change is created through community or citizen participation in the issues that affect them. Through recognizing these individual leaders, the Prize seeks to inspire other ordinary people to take extraordinary actions to protect the natural world.

Goldman Prize winners often are:

1. Leaders in a grassroots campaign or sustained effort that seeks to have, or results in, a significant impact at the regional, national or global level;
2. Leaders that provide significant inspiration to other environmentalists or to the public;
3. Leaders who are well respected by their communities and colleagues;
4. Individuals who have conducted their work at great personal risk; and
5. Individuals whose current work or campaigns would be significantly impacted by receiving the Prize.

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## **gorta**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** gorta works in five countries in sub-Saharan Africa, which include Kenya, Uganda, Malawi, Tanzania and Zambia and with two strategic partners in India and The Gambia.

**Summary** In 1965 gorta, the name deriving from the Irish word for extreme hunger, was founded under the aegis of the Department of Agriculture as the agency with responsibility for tackling hunger through small scale agricultural development projects in the developing world. gorta has supported over 2000 programmes since then. All programmes are concentrated in the most needy areas and are aimed at benefiting the poorest of the poor with emphasis on food security, empowerment of women and improving the health of children to ensure growth and development.

gorta's projects are concentrated in the five specific programmes areas of livelihoods, food security, water security, health and education. While working within these areas, projects funded by gorta also aim to work towards the Millennium Development Goals.

There are many methods of structuring development initiatives. However, gorta's long experience has found that the programmes system works best. gorta identifies a single task or group of tasks which can be managed together. The outcomes and benefits are clearly identified and the cost and risk associated is quantified. They can then allocate out donors funds most effectively, and determine whether the project objectives were achieved. There is extensive involvement of the local community and local partner, to design, implement, own and manage their own projects.

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E-mail: info@gorta.org URL: http://www.gorta.org/home/

## The Health and Pollution Fund (HPF)

*Formerly known as the Global Pollution Remediation Fund (GPRF)*

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** Project funding approvals for clean-up costs under \$500,000 would be done at Secretariat level. Project costs above this level would require Steering Committee approval.

**Eligibility** The key participants who would have the powers and responsibilities to manage, assign and monitor the use of resources, would be:

- 1. Donors** - who contribute funding, technical support and other assistance. These donors may be public or private entities. The terms of the contributions can be adjusted to suit the requirements of the donor, so long as there is agreement to manage operations using the processes of the Fund.
- 2. Implementing Governments** - most of the resources will be distributed at the local level. However support will be required from the relevant national governments. Typically this support would cover:
  - a. Signing up to the objectives and protocols of the HPF and agreement to support practical efforts as implemented through the Secretariat;
  - b. Agreement to provide access and institutional backing to the international specialists and other implementation team members
  - c. Commitment to ensure adequate enforcement actions on active pollution and appropriate application of sanctions on responsible parties for legacy problems
- 3. Technical Advisory Board** of health specialists, scientists, engineers and institutional experts with expertise in the underlying issues.
- 4. The Secretariat** itself, tasked with project management and implementation, and fiduciary oversight, as per donor requirements.

**Location** The Fund will be directed toward cleaning up over 400 highly polluted locations worldwide that affect more than 100 million people - people who suffer from reduced life expectancies, increased cancer risks and severe neurological damage.

**Summary** The Health and Pollution Fund (HPF), formerly known as the Global Pollution Remediation Fund (GPRF), was launched in principle in October 2007 by representatives from governmental agencies of the United States, Germany, China, Russia, Mozambique, Kenya, the Philippines, the World Bank, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Green Cross Switzerland, Blacksmith Institute and leading researchers from within the public health and pollution remediation fields. HPF, a planned \$400 million fund, will be dedicated to combating toxic pollution in developing countries that has resulted from industrial, mining, and military operations.

Projects initiated by HPF will efficiently channel funds to local stakeholders with technical support and oversight provided by a central, international, Secretariat. Conference organizers are currently approaching donors in various country development agencies, multilateral development banks, and other international aid organizations along with high net-worth individuals to develop funding.

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Karti Sandilya: [sandilya@gprfund.org](mailto:sandilya@gprfund.org)  
URL: <http://www.gprfund.org/index.php>

## **Hewlett, William and Flora Foundation**

**Deadline** See this link for updates: <http://www.hewlett.org/grantseekers>

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** USA, Global

**Summary** The Hewlett Foundation makes grants to solve social and environmental problems at home and around the world. Here are the Foundation's seven programs and their key goals:

**1. The Education Program** makes grants to:

- a. Improve education for California students
- b. Equalize educational opportunities in the United States and throughout the world through Open Educational Resources
- c. Improve achievement in disadvantaged communities in the San Francisco Bay Area.

**2. The Environment Program** makes grants to:

- a. Protect the great ecosystems of the North American West
- b. Slow the rate of global climate change by reducing green house gas emissions
- c. Address environmental problems disproportionately affecting poor communities in the San Francisco Bay Area.

**3. The Global Development Program** makes grants to reduce the number of people living on less than \$2 a day by:

- a. Improving the efficiency of agricultural markets
- b. Promoting transparent and accountable governance
- c. Improving the quality of Education in the developing world

**4. The Performing Arts Program** makes grants to organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area to:

Ensure that exceptional works of art are created, performed, and preserved, and provide more opportunities for participation in arts experiences.

**5. The Population Program** makes grants to:

Enhance and protect the reproductive health and rights of individuals, and stabilize global populations in ways that promote social and economic well-being and sustain the environment.

**6. The Philanthropy Program** makes grants to:

Ensure that more money goes to the most effective organizations and help nonprofit organizations make the maximum impact.

**7. Special projects**

The Foundation reserves funding each year to support special projects that do not necessarily align with the Foundation's primary strategies.

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URL: <http://www.hewlett.org/about>

## Hivos

<b>Deadline</b>	There are no deadlines. Applications can be completed online. See here: <a href="http://www.hivos.nl/virtualoffice/virtual_office/application">http://www.hivos.nl/virtualoffice/virtual_office/application</a>
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	The most important funding criteria in respect to interested organisations are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. It operates in Hivos countries or regions</li><li>2. Its objectives are in line with Hivos policy and sectors</li><li>3. It is secular (i.e. non-religious)</li><li>4. It is non-governmental</li><li>5. It shows a concern for gender-equality, environment and human rights</li><li>6. It has a good organisational capacity</li><li>7. It shows professional quality in its field of work</li><li>8. It is output and result-oriented</li><li>9. It has a sound financial plan</li></ol>
<b>Location</b>	Hivos supports organisations in a limited number of countries. These are: Belize, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Peru, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Syria, Tanzania, Timor Lorosae, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
<b>Summary</b>	<p>Hivos is a Dutch non-governmental organisation guided by humanist values. A number of its core values are human dignity and self determination, an aversion to dogmas and totalitarian regimes, and a sense of mutual solidarity. The organisation is committed to poor and marginalised peoples in Africa, Asia and Latin America. It strives for the long-term improvement of their circumstances and for the empowerment of women in particular.</p> <p>Hivos supports organisations in a limited number of policy areas. These are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Financial Services &amp; Enterprise Development</li><li>2. Sustainable Production</li><li>3. Human Rights &amp; Democratisation</li><li>4. Hiv/Aids</li><li>5. Arts &amp; Culture</li><li>6. Gender, Women &amp; Development</li><li>7. ICT, Media &amp; Knowledge Sharing.</li></ol>
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## Humane Earth Foundation (FTH)

<b>Deadline</b>	The last deadline was June 15, 2009. Check the website for the next deadline.
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	It is the vocation of the Humane Earth Foundation (FTH) to support the work of associations defending the environment, by making grants to them. The Foundation is convinced that the role of these associations are essential: very often, they are the only ones that ring the alarm bells, advocate the necessary changes, and put forward constructive alternatives. They are run by volunteers, with very limited means, but they represent the sector of society that shows the greatest awareness, the most responsibility, and the most energy, and they bear the hopes for a better world.



<b>Location</b>	NA
<b>Summary</b>	<p>The Humane Earth Foundation was set up in 2001 by a small number of private individuals who were worried about the state of the environment. The objectives of the Foundation are to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Defend the natural environment and biodiversity;</li> <li>2. Combat poverty and exclusion, especially concerning food safety and wholesomeness, together with access to quality health care.</li> </ol> <p>In the field of defence of the environment, a distinction is often made between actions of conservation - aimed at protecting, restoring, or conserving a natural element (a site, a plant or animal species, etc.), and actions of social change - aimed rather at searching for the causes of the deteriorations noted, and taking action against the causes. The foundation is situated in the second category rather than the first, and that is why it is interested mainly in initiatives that are really innovative and contribute to making actual changes in ways of life and ways of doing things, while bringing concrete improvements to the situation of the persons concerned.</p> <p>The foundation supports especially projects that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Inform people of the risks that they face because of attacks on the environment and biodiversity;</li> <li>2. Implement concrete experience leading to changes in behaviour in a way that better respects the environment;</li> <li>3. Spread knowledge of successful experience, to show that change is possible.</li> </ol> <p>See here for a list of grants made:  <a href="http://www.terrehumaine.org/index.php?art=subventions-accordees&amp;lang=en">http://www.terrehumaine.org/index.php?art=subventions-accordees&amp;lang=en</a></p>
<b>Contact</b>	<p>Fondation pour une Terre Humaine, 15 route de Fribourg, 1723 Marly2 Suisse.  tel : + 41 26 435 33 70 fax : + 41 26 435 33 71 email : <a href="mailto:infos@terrehumaine.org">infos@terrehumaine.org</a>  URL: <a href="http://www.terrehumaine.org/index.php?art=accueil&amp;lang=en">http://www.terrehumaine.org/index.php?art=accueil&amp;lang=en</a></p>

### **Impumelelo Innovations Award Trust**

<b>Deadline</b>	The last deadline for submissions was 7 September 2007.
<b>Amount</b>	<p>The Impumelelo Trust annually awards R1 Million (approx. USD 120,000) to twenty projects which get scored the highest by a panel of judges as well as the project evaluators. The prize money must be used for two purposes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To spread the word to others in similar situations so they'll be encouraged to replicate these projects</li> <li>2. To develop resources and build staff capacity within their organisations</li> </ol> <p>The idea is that Impumelelo will become a permanent resource and database of innovations and best practices in the delivery of social services.</p>
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	South Africa
<b>Summary</b>	<p>The Impumelelo Innovations Award Trust rewards exceptional projects, which involve partnerships with the public sector that enhance the quality of life of poor communities in innovative ways. Approximately R1 million is distributed annually to the most exceptional award winning poverty reduction projects.</p> <p>Aims:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To improve the quality of life of the poor</li> <li>2. To identify and highlight innovative and effective examples of service delivery in the country</li> <li>3. To encourage good governance</li> </ol>

4. To break through fiscal and structural delivery constraints
5. To highlight models of innovative government projects in order to encourage replication
6. To recognise public managers who are the backbone of these exemplary programmes
7. To provide compelling and credible portraits of the many ways in which government contributes to public problem solving and quality of life

### Strategy

The programme is based on the core value that government has the primary responsibility for the delivery of social services. However, government does not have to provide all these services alone. To make an impact on improving service delivery in South Africa, effective collaboration is required between government, the private sector and civil society.

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URL: [http://www.impumelelo.org.za/about\\_fs.htm](http://www.impumelelo.org.za/about_fs.htm)

### Inamori Foundation: The Kyoto Prize

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** Laureates shall in principle be individuals (one person per category). However, in special cases a single Prize may be shared among more than one person. Each laureate is presented with a diploma, a 20K gold Kyoto Prize medal, and prize money of 50 million yen (approx. USD 516,000) per category.

**Eligibility** Candidates for the Kyoto Prize are nominated by official Kyoto Prize nominators, who are selected annually by the Inamori Foundation from among recognized domestic and international authorities. The Kyoto Prize laureates are announced each June; the Kyoto Prize presentation ceremony and related events are held in Kyoto, Japan, each November.

**Location** Selection is made without regard to nationality, race, sex, age, or religion.

**Summary** The activities of the Inamori Foundation reflect the lifelong beliefs of its founder that people have no higher calling than to strive for the greater good of humankind and society and that the future of humanity can be assured only when there is a balance between scientific development and the enrichment of the human spirit. The Foundation seeks to actively promote peace and prosperity among all people on earth through the promotion of mutual understanding. It does this through programs of public recognition and the support of creative activities to foster science, culture, and the enrichment of the human spirit, as well as through social contributions.

The Kyoto Prize is awarded annually to persons who have made significant contributions in the three categories of Advanced Technology, Basic Sciences, and Arts and Philosophy. Through this Prize, the Inamori Foundation seeks not only to recognize outstanding achievements but also to promote academic and cultural development and to contribute to mutual international understanding.

Each Kyoto Prize category comprises four fields. The specific fields to be awarded in a given year are determined each year. Fields within the three Kyoto Prize Categories are:

- 1. Advanced Technology:** Electronics; Biotechnology and Medical Technology; Materials Science and Engineering; Information Science
- 2. Basic Sciences** Biological Sciences (Evolution, Behavior, Ecology, Environment); Mathematical Sciences; Earth and Planetary Sciences, Astronomy and Astrophysics; Life Sciences (Molecular Biology, Cell Biology, Neurobiology)
- 3. Arts and Philosophy** Music; Arts (Painting, Sculpture, Craft, Architecture, Design); Theater, Cinema; Thought and Ethics.

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Phone: 075-353 7272 Fax: 075-353-7270  
URL: [http://www.inamori-f.or.jp/e\\_fd\\_out\\_out.html](http://www.inamori-f.or.jp/e_fd_out_out.html)

## The International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology

**Deadline** Endorsed applications must arrive at ICGEB Trieste on or before 30 April 2009. A call for applications is launched yearly.

**Amount** Grants are awarded to promising scientific research projects aiming to achieve a clear result within the maximum period of three years (36 months), at an annual contribution level that cannot exceed Euro 25,000 (approx. USD 34,000)

**Eligibility** Applicants for research grant proposals should hold positions at Universities or Research Institutes in any of the Member States listed in "Location".

**Location** Member States: Afghanistan, Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, FRY Macedonia, Hungary, India, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Jordan, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syria, Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam.

**Summary** The International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology provides a scientific and educational environment of the highest standard and conducts innovative research in life sciences for the benefit of developing countries. It strengthens the research capability of its Members through training and funding programmes and advisory services and represents a comprehensive approach to promoting biotechnology internationally. The Centre is dedicated to advanced research and training in molecular biology and biotechnology and holds out the prospect of advancing knowledge and applying the latest techniques in the fields of:

1. Biomedicine
2. Crop improvement
3. Environmental protection/remediation
4. Biopharmaceuticals and biopesticide production

Funding opportunities are made available through the Collaborative Research Programme (CRP) - ICGEB Research Grants, which is a unique source of funding aimed at financing those projects addressing original scientific questions that show a potential contribution of particular relevance for the applicant's country. Established in 1988, the programme aims to stimulate collaborative research in Member States facilitating the creation of appropriate research facilities in promising institutes, to promote training of young scientists and

develop new research programmes of specific interest in participating countries. Support is available for research projects in many fields of basic science, human healthcare, industrial and agricultural biotechnology, and environmental bioremediation.

**Contact** For further information on this programme, contact:  
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## **The International Development Research Center (IDRC)**

**Deadline** See “Summary”  
**Amount** See “Summary”  
**Eligibility** See “Summary”  
**Location** See “Summary”  
**Summary** IDRC has re-created a program of support for developing-country graduate students. A first step in this direction was taken in 2004 by expanding the IDRC Doctoral Research Awards program for Canadian students at Canadian universities to students from developing countries studying in Canada. Since 2006/2007, investments have been made to support the research training of Southern Junior Researchers working or studying in developing countries. The Southern Junior Researchers Awards program covers doctoral field research costs in the region for individuals already studying for a research degree, full study costs (mostly PhD), or in a small number of cases if the program is not available in the region, PhD costs in Canada.

In partnership with IDRC Program Initiatives and Regional Offices, a number of institutions have been identified in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) to manage and administer competitive awards in disciplines where there is a need for research capacity development. For more information on the awards competitions, please contact the institutions directly.

Institutions currently managing IDRC-supported Southern Junior Researchers Awards in SSA include:

### **1. African Economic Research Consortium (AERC)**

Support is for 10 doctoral research awards and 4 full-study PhDs in economics. Contact: Marios Obwona, Director of Training

URL: <http://www.aercafrica.org/home/index.asp>

### **2. African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC)**

Support is for 15 doctoral research awards in health systems.

Contact: ADDRf Manager. (See no. 7 below).

### **3. Collaborative Masters Program in Agricultural and Applied Economics (CMAAE)**

Support is for 4 full-study Master’s in agricultural economics. (Competition completed). URL: <http://www.agriculturaleconomics.net/>

### **4. University for Peace (UPEACE) Africa Programme**

Support is for 12 doctoral research awards and 2 full-study PhDs in peace and security research. Contact: Tsion Tadesse Abebe, Programme Assistant. (See no. 8 below).

### **5. University of KwaZulu-Natal - Centre for Environment, Agriculture and Development (CEAD)**

Support is for 1 doctoral research award in Ecohealth. (Competition completed) URL: <http://www.cead.unp.ac.za/>

### **6. University of Nairobi - School of Computing and Informatics**

Support is for 8 doctoral research awards and 4 full-study Master's in ICT and development. Contact: Timothy Mwololo Waema, Professor  
URL: [http://uonbi.ac.ke/faculties/?fac\\_code=52](http://uonbi.ac.ke/faculties/?fac_code=52)

### **7. The African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC) 2009 African Doctoral Dissertation Research Fellowship (ADDRF)**

Deadline: April 30, 2009

The 2009 ADDRf seeks to facilitate more rigorous engagement of doctoral students in research, strengthen their research skills, and provide the fellows an opportunity for timely completion of their doctoral training. The fellowship targets doctoral students with strong commitment to a career in training and/or research. ADDRf's overall goal is to support the training and retention of highly-skilled, locally-trained scholars in research and academic positions across the region.

The ADDRf will award about 15 fellowships in 2009. These fellowships will be awarded to doctoral students who are within two years of completing their thesis at an African university. Dissertation topics showing great promise of making significant contributions to efforts to strengthen health systems (governance, equity, health or population related issues) in the region will be given priority. The ADDRf awards program is part of CTAP's Southern Junior Researchers Awards Program.

For details: [http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-137836-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-137836-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

### **8. University for Peace – IDRC Doctoral Research Awards and Full Study PhD Fellowships**

**Deadline:** June 30, 2009

The University for Peace Africa Programme and the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) are jointly supporting doctoral research awards and full study PhD fellowships in peace research and related fields. This funding will be strictly allocated to African students studying at African institutions. This awards program is part of CTAP's Southern Junior Researchers Awards Program.

For details: [http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-127388-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://www.idrc.ca/en/ev-127388-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)

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### **International Development Research Center (IDRC): Rural Poverty and Environment (RPE)**

*Formerly International Development Research Center (IDRC): Rural Poverty and Environment (RPE) Migration, Rural Poverty and Natural Resources Management*

**Deadline** Varies by research theme. See “Summary”

**Amount** Varies by research theme. See “Summary”

**Eligibility** Varies by research theme. See “Summary”

**Location** Priority Areas are:

1. Nile Basin (Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Sudan, Tanzania, and Uganda)

2. South-eastern Africa (Lake Malawi basin, Zimbabwe, and northern RSA)
3. Sahelian belt of West Africa (Burkina Faso, Niger, Mali, Mauritania and Senegal)
4. Middle East and North Africa (Lebanon, Jordan, Tunisia, Morocco, Algeria, and Syria)

### Summary

On April 1st, 2005 IDRC launched the Rural Poverty and Environment (RPE) program initiative. RPE supports research focusing on the needs of the rural poor who live in fragile or degraded ecosystems. The program initiative uses an approach that combines participatory action research to generate knowledge; capacity development for researchers and decision makers to participate in multi-stakeholder processes; and policy engagement to build action and learning oriented partnerships.

The RPE current program interests and regional initiatives are:

**1. Multi-stakeholder approaches in environmental governance** where all stakeholders, including marginalized groups, participate in environment and natural resource management decision-making and policies are informed by field research and stakeholder needs.

**2. Enhancing Equitable Access and Use Rights** to natural resources by strengthening the negotiating capacity of the rural poor to defend or expand their rights to natural resources.

**3. Strengthening Integration with Economic and Social Systems** (e.g. urbanization, globalization and market integration).

**4. Social Learning and Adaptation** (adaptive ecosystem management, participatory ecosystem monitoring, experimental policy design).

**5. Climate Change Adaptation in Africa (CCAA)**

A program to support African countries in their efforts to adapt to climate change through action research and capacity development.

**6. Building Learning Systems for Honduran Development**

This IDRC project is working in partnership with the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) to integrate research and learning into development practice in Honduras, as part of broader efforts to promote sustainable long-term processes of development in the aftermath of Hurricane Mitch.

More details: [http://network.idrc.ca/en/ev-81769-201-1-DO\\_TOPIC.html](http://network.idrc.ca/en/ev-81769-201-1-DO_TOPIC.html)  
(Each research theme has a link to more information, available funding and deadlines.)

The RPE program is in the last year of its current 2005-2010 prospectus. New and exciting priorities are being developed in what will be the next 5-year period starting on April 1, 2010. Please monitor the RPE website for news on new programming and funding opportunities. In the meantime, they will fund only a limited number of projects for the remainder of the year (until March 31, 2010). Researchers should first contact the relevant Program Officer or Research Officer, BEFORE submitting concept notes.

### Contact

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## International Federation of University Women (IFUW): International Fellowships and Grants

<b>Deadline</b>	The 2008/2009 competition is now closed. The next competition will offer awards for 2011/2012 and will open in March 2010.
<b>Amount</b>	Normally 16 to 25 fellowships and grants are offered in each competition. The awards offered vary. See “Summary”.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. IFUW fellowships and grants are open only to women graduates who are members of IFUW's national federations and associations and to IFUW Independent Members.</li><li>2. Students in any branch of learning may apply.</li></ol>
<b>Location</b>	Worldwide
<b>Summary</b>	<p>IFUW is an international network linking women graduates from all cultures, all fields of study, all professions and all generations. IFUW has 75 national affiliates and members who are present in more than 120 countries. Their mission today is to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Promote lifelong education for women and girls; promote international cooperation, friendship, peace and respect for human rights for all, irrespective of their gender, age, race, nationality, religion, political opinion, gender and sexual orientation or other status; advocate for the advancement of the status of women and girls</li><li>2. Encourage and enable women and girls to apply their knowledge and skills in leadership and decision-making in all forms of public and private life.</li></ol>

The International Federation of University Women offers a limited number of international fellowships and grants to women graduates for postgraduate research, study and training.

**1. Fellowships** are intended to enhance the original research or scholarship on which a postgraduate applicant is already engaged. Fellowships are offered for the second and subsequent years of a doctoral programme and for post-doctoral studies. First year doctoral students do not qualify. Fellowships are the equivalent of 8,000 to 10,000 Swiss francs (approx. USD 7,000 – 9,000) and they are intended for 8 to 12 months of work.

**2. Grants** are awarded for specialized training, independent research, or to assist in the completion of a postgraduate degree. Grants are offered for any postgraduate programme. They range from 3,000 to 6,000 Swiss francs (approx. USD 2,700 – 5,400) and are for a minimum of 2 months of work.

**3. IFUW Recognition Awards** may be used in any country other than the one in which the applicant was educated or habitually resides. Awards are 1,000 Swiss francs (approx. USD 900) and are for a minimum of 2 months of work.

Certain awards carry additional restrictions:

The **British Federation Crosby Hall Fellowship** and the **Marjorie Shaw International Fellowship** are reserved for women whose study or research will take place in Great Britain. The **Dorothy Leet Grants** are reserved for women graduates from countries with a comparatively low per capita income and for those who either wish to work as experts in these countries or whose research is of value to such countries. All candidates must have obtained admission to the proposed place of study or research prior to applying to IFUW's competition.

Selection criteria:

1. Motivation for research, study or training
2. Originality and feasibility of proposed plan of research, study or training
3. Extent to which the specialized knowledge and skills to be acquired will benefit women and girls
4. Extent to which the specialized knowledge and skills to be acquired will further the applicant's career
5. Planned work or activity after completion of the research, study or training

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URL: <http://www.ifuw.org/fellowships/index.shtml>

## **International Foundation for Science (IFS)**

**Deadline** Project proposals are welcome at the IFS Secretariat throughout the year. For administrative purposes, there are two application deadlines, 30 June and 31 December.

**Amount** An IFS Research Grant has a maximum value of USD 12,000.

**Eligibility** An eligible candidate for an IFS Research grant is:

1. A citizen of a developing country
2. A scientist with at least a Master's or equivalent degree/research experience
3. Under 40 years of age and at the beginning of research career
4. Attached to a university, national research institution or a research-oriented NGO in a developing country.

**Location** IFS Research grants are reserved for developing country scientists for research projects carried out in a developing country. See here for list of countries whose citizens are eligible for IFS Research grants:  
<http://www.ifs.se/Programme/eligibility.asp>

**Summary** IFS is a research council with international operations and the mission to build the scientific capacity of developing countries in sciences related to the sustainable management of biological and water resources. IFS believes that the interests of both science and development are best served by promoting and nurturing the research efforts of promising young science graduates, who have the potential to become leading scientists in their countries.

To qualify for IFS funding, research projects must be:

1. Related to the sustainable utilisation, conservation or management of the biological or water resource base
2. Conducted in a developing country
3. Of a high scientific standard
4. Feasible
5. Relevant for the country/region

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## **IFS - CORAF/WECARD Team Research Grant**

**Deadline** The last call for applications was 15th June, 2006.

**Amount** The grant is a co-funding by IFS and CORAF/WECARD. Research grants are awarded up to a maximum value of USD 12,000, for each team member and, for a period of one to three years. The grants, which can be renewed twice, are intended for the purchase of scientific equipment, expendable

supplies and literature, to arrange field activities, etc. The grant does not include a salary. Grantees are supposed to be salaried by, or have a stipend from, the university where the research project will be conducted. Team Coordinators may apply for a coordination grant. This is not included in the team members' research grants. This additional budget may not exceed USD 5,000 for the period of the project.

#### Eligibility

**Team Members** must:

1. Be citizens of a West or Central African country (see country list below)
2. Be 40 years of age or younger
3. Hold at minimum an MA, MSc degree or the equivalent
4. Be attached to a research institution in West or Central Africa
5. Be at the beginning of their research career

Applications may be considered from potentially good scientists who are over 40 and under 45 years, provided they have completed their highest academic degree (MSc, MA, PhD, Post-Doc or equivalent) in the previous 5 years and they are still in the beginning of their career.

**Team Coordinators** must:

1. Be citizens of a West or Central African country (see list below)
  2. Hold a PhD or the equivalent
  3. Be attached to a research institution in a West or Central African country
- There is no age limitation for Team Coordinators.

#### Location

Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central Africa Republic, Chad, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guinea Conakry, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Sierra Leon, Senegal, and Togo.

#### Summary

This call is a joint initiative of the International Foundation for Science (IFS) and the Conseil Ouest et Centre Africain pour la Recherche et le Développement Agricoles – West and Central African Council for Agricultural Research and Development (CORAF/WECARD) to support research teams.

The objective of the IFS - CORAF/WECARD initiative is to support young researchers from the National Agriculture Research Systems (NARS) in West and Central Africa to carry out relevant research projects of high quality. IFS and CORAF/WECARD foresee that this initiative will be valuable for the long term strengthening of agricultural research capacity in the region. Research projects may address the following issues:

**1. Food security and productivity:** focusing on processing, improvement of quality of agricultural produce, agro-forestry, cereals, root/tuber crops, food legumes. Research projects may address issues such as transfer of new and innovative technologies: technologies on cereals (maize, rice, sorghum, millet); leguminous crops (groundnut and cowpea); tuber crops (cassava, yam and potato); forestry and agro-forestry system; cash crops (cotton, cocoa, coffee, oil palm)., transfer of post-harvest processing technologies and value adding to agricultural produce.

**2. Crop-livestock integration**

Research projects will address issues such as transfer of new innovative technologies on small and large ruminants (sheep, goat and cattle); poultry.

**3. Agricultural policy and commercialization, marketing of agricultural produce**

Research projects must demonstrate capacity for high economic returns and

significant impact on stakeholders groups. Priority will be given to projects that foster collaborations of highest regional/national importance. Research projects judged to be of highest quality and most likely to produce results that are relevant to the needs of agricultural stakeholders will be funded.

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### **International Foundation for Science (IFS)/Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) Sustainable Agriculture Initiative**

**Deadline** The last deadline for the receipt of application was 31 May 2006.

**Amount** The group leader may request a budget of maximum USD 5000 for equipment, expendable supplies and travel. Each group member may request up to USD 12,000 in research support for the duration of a project lasting between one and three years.

**Eligibility** Group leaders should be citizens of an African country, holders of a PhD, or the equivalent, and attached to an institution in Africa that carries out research. There is no age limitation for team coordinators. Other group members that are applying for a research grant must be citizens of an African country, 40 years of age or younger, holders of at minimum an MA/MSc degree or the equivalent, attached to a research institution in Africa, and at the beginning of their research career. CODESRIA and the IFS may consider applications from exceptionally promising researchers that are over 40 and under 45 years, provided they have completed their highest academic degree (MSc, MA, PhD, Post-Doc or equivalent) in the previous five years and they are still at the beginning of their career.

Women are particularly encouraged to apply. Researchers who are already IFS grantees are not eligible for this support. Likewise, researchers that currently have another research grant application under consideration at IFS are not eligible to apply unless they withdraw their other application.

**Location** The proposed research must be carried out in Africa. Researchers should be attached to a national research institute (e.g. university, government research centre, and/or non-profit organisations such as an NGO that supports research) in Africa. Researchers with temporary positions at international research institutes, who also have a permanent affiliation with a national research institute are eligible to apply.

**Summary** The Sustainable Agriculture Initiative is a joint initiative of the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) and the International Foundation for Science (IFS).

The objective of the CODESRIA-IFS Sustainable Agriculture Initiative is to stimulate interdisciplinary research in sub-Saharan Africa that generates new knowledge and appropriate technologies for improved natural resource management for sustainable agriculture. For this purpose, CODESRIA and the IFS invite research grant applications containing high-quality research proposals from groups of social scientists and natural scientists that will address the issue of sustainable agriculture for food production in Africa with an interdisciplinary approach.

Eligible Research Themes:

**1. The role of under-utilised traditional food crops (including fruits) in African agriculture.** Possible research topics include, indigenous and local knowledge and farming practices; agro-biodiversity; intellectual property rights; the integration of new and old technologies and processes in production, and; social, cultural, economic, policy or environmental factors that influence the production, consumption and/or marketing of traditional food crops. Studies exploring why potentially important crops are under-utilised are also eligible. Research groups are also welcome to identify other issues for research that are relevant to the production, marketing and/or consumption of traditional African food crops

**2. Biotechnology and food in Africa.** Research projects that address the social, cultural, political, and/or economic implications of biotechnology for food production, consumption and/or marketing (export or domestic) are particularly welcomed. Research on benefits, risks, public perceptions, and national and international policy environments as they relate to GMO foods are also invited. Projects that are innovative, promise to contribute new knowledge, and challenge conventional wisdom are particularly encouraged. Well integrated interdisciplinary projects that include natural and social scientists are preferred.

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### **International Fund for Agricultural Research (IFAR)**

**Deadline** Receipt of proposals by March 3, 2009 for the award of grants in 2009.  
**Amount** Each grant awarded will be for up to a maximum of \$11,000.  
**Eligibility** All applicants are expected to hold a graduate degree. Grants are not intended to finance regular undergraduate or graduate academic programs, in whole or in part.  
**Location** All CGIAR Centers are entitled to sponsor candidates for grants/scholarships. See here for list of CGIAR centers: [http://www.ifar4dev.org/useful\\_links.html](http://www.ifar4dev.org/useful_links.html)  
**Summary** IFAR is a results-oriented foundation that supports partnerships, collaboration, and awards as a means of fostering scientific excellence in agriculture and related fields. IFAR's mission is to:  
1. Recognize and promote scientific excellence involving the work of international agricultural research centers supported by the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) and their partners.  
2. Promote science through professional development.  
3. Give priority to Africa and South Asia.

#### **IFAR's Professional Development Grants**

In support of its mission, IFAR annually provides small grants to professionals from national agricultural research systems in developing countries (NARS). The award made to the youngest woman grantee each year will be designated the Ravi Tadvalkar Memorial Scholarship, in recognition of the many contributions to the organization by IFAR's first Treasurer and Secretary, his



commitment to capacity building in developing countries, and his concern about diversity and gender issues. IFAR also manages the IFAR Wilfried Thalwitz Scholarship established in his memory by the family and friends of the late CGIAR Chair for research linked with CGIAR Centers.

Nominations for these awards must be sponsored by one or more CGIAR Centers, and the work programs proposed by applicants must be closely linked with the program of a CGIAR Center. Applicants are encouraged to collaborate with Center scientists when preparing their project proposals for submission to IFAR.

The objectives of IFAR's grants are to:

1. Enhance the professional development of promising professionals from developing countries, who are at the early to middle stages of their careers, and undertaking research in partnership with CGIAR Centers to support sustainable development of agriculture in developing countries
2. Promote values gained from a "System Perspective" involving linkages between CGIAR Centers and NARS, and collaboration among CGIAR Centers
3. Encourage cooperation among national institutions through linkages with CGIAR Centers.

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### **International Human Dimensions Program (IHDP): Seed Grant Initiative (SGI)**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Developing countries and countries with economies in transition.

**Summary** Beginning in late 1998, IHDP allocated resources from the International Social Science Council (ISSC) and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to run a small Seed Grant Initiative to provide "seed grants" to colleagues in developing countries and countries with economies in transition. Grants awarded are committed to the production of National Inventories of human dimensions research in selected countries (a "Who is Doing What" report), and toward the organization of national or regional workshops for human dimensions researchers to facilitate the creation of new or strengthening of existing research networks.

Thanks to generous support from ISSC-UNESCO, IHDP was able to continue its long-standing seed grant programme in 2006 and 2007, grants going to the following activities:

1. An IHDP/MRI Side Event at the CONCORD Conference in April 2006, Mendoza, Argentina.
2. Capacity Building for a Ugandan Human Dimensions Research Programme plus founding workshop, June 2006.
3. A National Inventory and National Workshop in HDGEC Research in Zimbabwe, 6 October 2006.
4. "1st Workshop on Human Dimensions of Environmental Change in Argentina," 8-10 August 2007 at the Lujan University in Lujan (Buenos Aires province).



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## **International Nutrition Foundation (INF): Fellowship Program for Centers of Excellence for Research on Nutrition and Infection in Developing Countries**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** The INF/EMF program awards carefully targeted fellowships to individuals associated with key, selected institutions. These institutions, which are national or regional in scope, have been personally site-visited by one or both of the co-chairs and/or designated site visitors and identified as current or potential centers of excellence in sophisticated areas of nutrition and/or infection related health research. Since the program's inception in 2002, more than 25 institutions in 20 countries have been assessed for incorporation into the program and 16 institutions have so far met the criteria based on the examination of publication records, annual reports, or site visits.

**Location** Developing countries.

**Summary** The INF brings key nutrition issues to the attention of those with national and international responsibilities for policies and resource allocation and promotes capacity building related to research, policy development and program implementation. It facilitates activities that bridge and shorten the nutrition research -- policy -- program cycle.

The INF has been providing fellowships to developing country nationals since its inception in 1985. These fellowships provide opportunities for doctoral or postdoctoral research and support professionals at all levels to attend international conferences and workshops. By establishing long-term partnerships with institutions as well as individual scientists in developing countries, the INF takes a unique and innovative approach to building institutional capacity in developing countries.

INF projects target nutrition issues in developing countries by addressing three key areas:

1. Institutional Capacity Development
2. Dissemination of Information on Nutrition Research and Policy
3. Mobilization and Management of Research and Policy

### **1. The INF/Ellison Medical Foundation Fellowships**

The aim of the INF/EMF Fellowships is to improve the capacity of selected developing country institutions to conduct research on pressing health problems. The program is based on experiences gathered from highly successful international fellowship programs at the Rockefeller Foundation, the United Nations University, and the Kellogg Foundation that were specifically designed to build the competence of developing country institutions. The program is being carried out in collaboration with United Nations University and the International Union of Nutrition Sciences (IUNS).

## 2. INF/KRAFT Fellowships

The INF/Kraft Fellowships are short- and medium-term awards to developing country nationals. The short-term fellowships facilitate participation in international meetings, conferences, and workshops in the areas of nutrition and health, while medium-term fellowships allow for more extended training of emerging scientists in the areas of nutrition and food science, including internships at Kraft Foods in Chicago, IL. Conferences attended by scientists who received short-term INF/Kraft Fellowships include:

- a. The 10th Asian Congress of Nutrition and Pre-Congress Workshop on Institutional Research Capacity Strengthening, Taipei, Taiwan (2007)
- b. The 7th International Food Data Conference, Sao Paulo, Brazil (2007)
- c. The 3rd Africa Nutritional Epidemiology Conference (ANEC), Cairo, Egypt (2008)

## 3. INF/Unilever Fellowships

The INF/Unilever Fellowships provide developing country nationals with short-term support, enabling them to participate in international meetings, conferences, and workshops in the areas of nutrition and health. Conferences attended by INF/Unilever Fellows include:

- a. Programme de Formation des Leaders Africains en Nutrition (PLAN and Federation of African Nutrition Societies (FANUS) Congress), Ouarzazate, Morocco (2007)
- b. The Micronutrient Forum, Istanbul, Turkey (2007)
- c. African Nutrition Leadership Programme (ANLP), North West Province, South Africa (2008)
- d. The 3rd Africa Nutritional Epidemiology Conference (ANEC), Cairo, Egypt (2008)

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## International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN): Ecosystem Management Programme

*Formerly The World Conservation Union: National Committee of the Netherlands, Ecosystem Grants Programme*

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** IUCN, the International Union for Conservation of Nature, helps the world find pragmatic solutions to the most pressing environment and development challenges. It supports scientific research, manages field projects all over the world and brings governments, non-government organizations, United Nations agencies, companies and local communities together to develop and implement policy, laws and best practice. IUCN is the world's oldest and largest global environmental network - a democratic membership union with more than 1,000 government and NGO member organizations, and almost 11,000 volunteer scientists in more than 160 countries. Use of the name "World Conservation Union", in conjunction with IUCN, began in 1990. From March 2008 this name is no longer commonly used.

## Ecosystem Management Programme

The well-being of people all over the world depends on the various goods and services provided by ecosystems, including food, fuel, construction materials, clean water and air, and protection from natural hazards. Ecosystems, however, are under increasing pressure from unsustainable use and other threats including outright conversion. To address this concern, IUCN promotes the sound management of ecosystems through the wider application of the Ecosystem Approach – a strategy for the integrated management of land, water and living resources that places human needs at its centre, through the Ecosystem Management Programme.

The Ecosystem Management Programme works on four key programmatic areas for IUCN:

- 1. Drylands**, where the programme aims to demonstrate the importance of dryland ecosystem services for livelihood improvement and for adapting to climate change.
- 2. Climate Change**, where the Climate Change Initiative aims to include biodiversity concerns in adaptation and mitigation policies and practice, as well as furthering natural resource management strategies that help biodiversity and people to adapt to the impacts of climate change. The Initiative coordinates Climate Change work across IUCN's programmes, regions, Commissions and member organizations.
- 3. Islands**, where the Islands Initiative focuses on addressing integrated management challenges for marine, coastal and terrestrial ecosystems, for the conservation of island biodiversity and the sustainable development of island communities, and facilitates IUCN's work on islands across the Union.
- 4. Disaster Risk Reduction**, where the programme aims to promote integration of ecosystem management, livelihoods, community vulnerability and climate change adaptation to disaster management.

In addition, the Programme provides technical input on integrating wider ecosystem-scale biodiversity issues into IUCN's programmes globally, regionally and nationally.

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## Irish Aid: Civil Society Fund

**Deadline** Irish Aid will continue to maintain contracts for proposals approved for 2009 under the Civil Society Fund. However no new applications will be processed during the remainder of this year. It is hoped that funding applications may be considered in 2010. Further information will be provided on their website when available.

**Amount** To safeguard against an over-dependence on Irish Aid, an organisation must convincingly demonstrate that its own financial sustainability is sound. Irish Aid support must not exceed 75% (at maximum) of overall income.

**Eligibility** The Civil Society Fund is open to Irish-based NGOs and invited organisations from overseas. An Irish organisation is one that has roots in Irish society and is not just a legal entity for channelling funds. Irish Aid will invite international NGOs and organisations from developing countries to apply for funding,

based on an assessment of strategic priorities and the quality of an organisation's programme. While Irish Aid will be proactive in promoting relationships with civil society in the developing world to achieve its strategic development objectives, it cannot respond to unsolicited requests from International NGOs and NGOs from developing countries for funding under this mechanism.

**Location  
Summary**

Developing countries

Irish Aid is the Government of Ireland's programme of assistance to developing countries. The Civil Society Fund (CSF) supports non-governmental organisations and other civil society organisations to respond to the development needs of poor communities overseas.

Irish Aid's overall policy goals are poverty reduction and sustainable, equitable development. The Civil Society Fund is one mechanism among many to reach these goals. The overall objective of the Civil Society Fund is to contribute to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals by improving the livelihoods of disadvantaged communities in developing countries. There are five key objectives that the Civil Society Fund seeks to promote which coincide with the role of civil society in development cooperation and reflect the commitments of the Millennium Development Goals:

1. Strengthen the voice of civil society organisations so they can influence policy, both at local and national levels, for the promotion of sustainable development and the improvement of livelihood security
2. Support communities to participate in development at local and national levels
3. Support communities to gain access to resources for local development and the improvement of essential services
4. Support communities and organisations to respond effectively to the HIV pandemic through programmes of prevention, care and support
5. Support communities to realise their human rights, especially those of women and children.

**Contact**

Civil Society Section, Irish Aid, is now located in Limerick.

Irish Aid, Department of Foreign Affairs, Riverstone House, 23-27 Henry Street, Limerick. Tel: 01 408 2000, Fax: 061 774090.

URL: [http://www.dci.gov.ie/grants\\_civil.asp](http://www.dci.gov.ie/grants_civil.asp)

### **James S. McDonnell Foundation (JSMF): 21<sup>st</sup> Century Science Initiative**

**Deadline** The March 17, 2009 Research Award deadline has passed. Check back in November for updated guidelines for 2010.

**Amount** A maximum of \$450,000 total costs can be requested and the funds can be expended over a minimum of 3 years or a maximum of 6 years.

**Eligibility** Applications must be sponsored by a nonprofit institution as defined by Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Tax Code.

**Location** JSMF funds internationally.

**Summary** Founded in 1950 by aerospace pioneer James S. McDonnell, the Foundation was established to "improve the quality of life," and does so by contributing to the generation of new knowledge through its support of research and scholarship. The Foundation awards grants via the Foundation-initiated, peer-reviewed proposal processes described in the 21st Century Science Initiative. JSMF believes that private philanthropic support for science is most effective

when it invests in the acquisition of new knowledge and in the responsible application of knowledge for solving the real world problems. Applicants are encouraged to keep this in mind when preparing proposals. Projects supported through the 21st Century Science Initiative are expected to meet highly selective intellectual standards. JSMF Funds in three program Areas:

1. Studying Complex Systems
2. Brain Cancer Research
3. Understanding Human Cognition

The Complex Systems program supports scholarship and research directed toward the development of theoretical and mathematical tools that can be applied to the study of complex, adaptive, nonlinear systems. It is anticipated that research funded in this program will address issues in fields such as biology, biodiversity, climate, demography, epidemiology, technological change, economic development, governance, or computation. While the program's emphasis is on the development and application of theoretical models used in these research fields and not on particular fields per se, JSMF is particularly interested in projects attempting to apply complex systems approaches to meaningful problems. Proposals attempting to apply complex system tools and models to problems where such approaches are not yet considered usual or mainstream (for example, differentiating normal physiology from disease) are encouraged.

21st Century Research Awards are designed to support research projects with a high probability of generating new knowledge and insights. Projects submitted for funding consideration should be at an early, even preliminary stage of development, and should be intended to break new ground or to challenge commonly-held assumptions. Projects submitted should be sufficiently novel, cross-disciplinary, or heterodox so that they have a strong likelihood of influencing the development of new ways of thinking about important problems. All projects must qualify for one of the 21st Century Science Initiative's two program areas (see below) awarding 21st Century Initiative Research Awards:

1. Studying Complex Systems
2. Brain Cancer Research

**Contact** The James S. McDonnell Foundation, 1034 South Brentwood Blvd., Suite 1850, Saint Louis, MO 63117. URL: <http://www.jsmf.org/>

### **Japan Capacity Building Program for African Agricultural Researchers**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** See "Summary"

**Summary** The International Cooperation Center for Agricultural Education (ICCAE) is a research institute mandated to function as a leading center for international cooperation in agricultural education. It was established in April, 1999, at Nagoya University, under the initiative of the Ministry of Education, Science Sports and Culture of Japan. ICCAE administrates the Japan Capacity Building Program for African Agricultural Researchers, which was launched in 2006 and commissioned by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan.

The purpose of this program is to:

1. Strengthen collaboration between Japan and agricultural research organizations whose mission is African development
2. Deliver Japanese know-how of agricultural research methods and technologies to Africa.

Training programs for promising young African researchers will be offered in agricultural research organizations, preferably localized in Africa. All training will be supplied by Japanese researchers currently working towards African development and/or technology transfer to Africa. Two training methods, either on-the-job training or group-program training, both lasting two to six months, will be offered. Host organizations will be CGIAR Centers, or other international agricultural research institutions, universities, or national agriculture research institutes located outside Japan.

In the fiscal year 2006, 10 training programs (7 on-the-job and 3 group-program trainings) were selected from 15 applications. A total of 11 Japanese researchers trained 24 African researchers. Host institutions were CIAT (Columbia), CIMMYT (Mexico), IITA (Nigeria), WARDA (Benin and Nigeria), IPGRI (Kenya), IRAG (Guinea), SRI (Ghana) and AICAD (Kenya).

**Contact** Nagoya University. Furo-cho, Chikusa-ku, Nagoya, 464-8601, Japan.  
Tel: +81-52-789-4225 Fax: +81-52-789-4222  
URL: <http://iccae.agr.nagoya-u.ac.jp/en/activities/trust.html>

## Japan Fund for the Global Environment

- Deadline** Organizations wishing to apply for the JFGE Grant must submit the "Grant Application Form" during the fixed time period for that fiscal year (beginning of January to middle of February) to the Environmental Restoration and Conservation Agency.
- Amount** Beginning in fiscal 2002, based on the expansion of the scope and area of activities that have received grants, average Grant amounts will be set at 4 million yen (approx. USD41,000) for projects in Japan and 6 million yen (approx. USD62,000) for projects in developing regions.
- Eligibility** Eligible organizations will be "juridical persons or other organizations that are non-profit and base their activities on the public will." This qualification includes foundations, incorporated association, specified non-profit organizations. Unincorporated associations are also included.
- Location** Japan, and developing regions. (Developing regions" comprise the 162 nations and regions designated by Development Assistance Committee (DAC) of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) as "developing nations or regions" and the eastern European nations, including the former Soviet Nations, that have been experiencing severe environmental problems.)
- Summary** The JFGE system provides comprehensive support through grants and other aid to projects by non-governmental organizations (NGOs) involved in global environmental conservation, both in Japan and overseas, through a fund created by pooling the strength of both the government and the public.

The Japan Environment Corporation comprehensively promotes the following programs with the investment gains earned from JFGE:



### **1. Support for non-governmental organizations (Grants Program)**

- a. Environmental conservation activities in developing regions by Japanese NGOs
- b. Environmental conservation activities in developing regions by non-Japanese NGOs
- c. Environmental conservation activities in Japan by Japanese NGOs

### **2. Provision of training and information necessary for NGOs to promote projects (NGO Support Program)**

Activities eligible for Grants are those that contribute to global environmental conservation and are classified as one of the following:

#### **1. Environmental conservation activities to be carried out in developing regions**

- a. Afforestation, wildlife protection, prevention of pollution and other activities that are actually implemented on the project site of a developing region with the participation of the local communities or non-governmental organizations of that region.
- b. Provision of knowledge that local communities or non-governmental organizations in a developing region require to actually implement projects such as afforestation, wildlife protection and prevention of pollution.
- c. Conducting research and studies or holding international conferences to promote activities listed in a. or b.

#### **2. Environmental conservation activities to be carried out in Japan**

- a. Tree and grass planting, recycling and other activities that are carried out with the participation of a wide range of citizens.
- b. Awareness-raising and dissemination of knowledge about environmental conservation that are implemented for the benefit of a wide range of citizens.
- c. Research and studies that help promote the activities listed in a. or b. above.

#### **Contact**

Environmental Restoration and Conservation Agency, Department of The Japan Fund for Global Environment, Muza Kawasaki Central Tower 8th floor, 1310, Omiya-cho, Saiwaiku, Kawasaki City, Kanagawa Prefecture 212-8554, Japan. Phone: NGO Support 81-44-520-9609, Grant Program 81-44-520-9505 Fax: 81-44-520-2190 E-mail: c-kikin@erca.go.jp URL: <http://www.erca.go.jp/jfge/english/index.html>

### **Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA): Grant Aid**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** Countries eligible for grant aid are those that qualify for interest-free financing from the International Development Association (IDA) of the World Bank. The projects are concerned with nation-building and poverty alleviation in developing countries, and the countries receiving this aid should be unable to undertake the projects with their own funds and borrowing capacity.

**Location** Developing countries

**Summary** Grant aid is a form of ODA involving the provision of funds to the governments of developing countries without the obligation of repayment. The aim is to cooperate with economic and social development by helping the government of the recipient country to introduce and upgrade its facilities and equipment. The main categories of grant aid are:

1. General grants:  
General project grants (including grants for child welfare, afforestation, rehabilitation, support for human resources development bases, anti-personnel mine clearance, Soft Component Support and clean energy), debt relief grants, non-project grants (including sector program grants for environment and social development), overseas students' grants, and grassroots projects grants;
2. Fisheries grants
3. Cultural grants (including grants for cultural properties)
4. Emergency grants (support for disaster relief, democratization, and reconstruction and development)
5. Food aid (Kennedy Round [KR] )
6. Aid for increased food production (2nd Kennedy Round [2KR] ).

Of these categories of grant aid, JICA deals with general project grants and overseas students' grants, fisheries grants, cultural grants, food aid, and aid for increased food production.

Grant aid is made available mainly for social development in such fields as education, health and medical care, everyday water supply, and agricultural development; upgrading of public infrastructure such as roads, bridges, and airports; and environmental conservation projects. The grant aid budget has been increased to deal with global issues such as poverty and the environment. Aimed at responding to diversifying needs in developing countries and at providing aid more effectively, grants are being provided in areas such as child welfare, afforestation, antipersonnel mine clearance, human resources development bases, and rehabilitation.

**Contact** Shinjuku Headquarters: 6th–13th floors, Shinjuku Maynds Tower, 1-1, Yoyogi 2-chome, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 151-8558 Japan.  
Phone: +81-3-5352-5311/5312/5313/5314  
URL: [http://www.jica.go.jp/english/operations/schemes/grant\\_aid/](http://www.jica.go.jp/english/operations/schemes/grant_aid/)

## **John Deere Foundation**

**Deadline** Proposals are accepted throughout the year.

**Amount** The John Deere Foundation has doubled its annual giving over the past three years and anticipates awarding grants and gifts totaling \$12 million in 2008.

**Eligibility** Only organizations that have 501(c)(3) tax status under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code are eligible for Foundation grants.

**Location** John Deere places a high priority on improving the quality of life in the areas it serves. In general, the company supports projects in communities where John Deere has a major presence (manufacturing facilities, sales branches, and parts depots), making those places better places to live and work. (While John Deere dealerships are critical to the company's success, they are independent businesses, and are not considered company locations.)

**Summary** Philanthropic efforts must be sustained to be effective in bettering communities and society in general. The work of the John Deere Foundation is one way the company's philanthropy is able to have lasting effects. The foundation was established in 1948 and, since its inception, has invested millions of dollars to support education, human services, community development, and arts and culture. The foundation expanded its scope globally in 2005, and added

Solutions for World Hunger as a fifth category of giving. As part of that expansion, the foundation established relationships with KickStart, the Food Resources Bank, the World Food Prize, and the Wheaton (Illinois) College Human Needs and Global Resources Program.

The John Deere Foundation gives priority to applications that fall in its four major program areas: health and human services; education; community development; and arts and culture. Grants are awarded upon: availability of funds; effectiveness of requestor's program; impact upon John Deere employees; and demonstrated level of community support.

**Contact** John Bustle, Manager, Corporate Citizenship, Vice President, John Deere Foundation, Tel: 309-748-7960 OR Cheryl A. Ashcraft, Manager, Foundation Charitable Contributions Tel: 309-748-7955  
URL: [http://www.deere.com/en\\_US/compinfo/csr/community/found.html](http://www.deere.com/en_US/compinfo/csr/community/found.html)

### JPMorgan Chase Foundation: International Grants Program

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** Non-governmental organizations working in one of the countries outside the United States where JPMorgan Chase has a grants program. Grant-making is by invitation only.

**Location** For a list of eligible countries, see here:  
<http://www.jpmorganchase.com/cm/cs?pagename=Chase/Href&urlname=jpmc/community/grants/int/eligibility>

**Summary** The JPMorgan Chase Foundation welcomes grant inquiries from non-governmental organizations working internationally in the Foundation's three focus areas: community development; youth education; and arts and culture. Of particular interest are requests in the areas of microfinance and support for small business development; low-income housing; youth education in low-income communities; and arts and culture projects aimed at promoting asset development in low-income communities. All requests will be reviewed by the JPMorgan Chase office in the country where the project will be implemented.

**Contact** International organizations based outside the U.S. - by invitation - will be able to access the online grant application. To request a link to the online application, please submit a short preliminary proposal via e-mail to the person coordinating grants for the region in which you are based:

**Asia, Pacific:** [jean.sung.seabrook@jpmorgan.com](mailto:jean.sung.seabrook@jpmorgan.com)

**Europe, Middle East, Africa:** [kelly.j.lihaven@jpmorgan.com](mailto:kelly.j.lihaven@jpmorgan.com)

**Canada:** [dan.howat@jpmorgan.com](mailto:dan.howat@jpmorgan.com)

**Latin America:** [vivar\\_luz@jpmorgan.com](mailto:vivar_luz@jpmorgan.com)

URL:

<http://www.jpmorganchase.com/cm/cs?pagename=Chase/Href&urlname=jpmc/community/grants/int/eligibility>

### JRS Biodiversity Foundation

**Deadline** The Foundation will not be issuing a general call for new proposals in 2009. The Trustees will be using the year to evaluate its \$3.4 million in currently outstanding grants and inviting a few specific small requests to further pursue its mission and advance biodiversity.

**Amount** NA

Eligibility	All requests for funding to the J.R.S. Biodiversity Foundation must be submitted in writing in response to a specific invitation to apply.
Location	Developing countries and economies in transition with a particular interest in focusing its grant-making in Africa.
Summary	The J.R.S. Biodiversity Foundation was created in January 2004 when the nonprofit publishing company, BIOSIS was sold to Thomson Scientific. The proceeds from that sale were applied to fund an endowment and create a new grant-making foundation.

**Mission:** The Foundation defined a mission within the field of biodiversity: To enhance knowledge and promote the understanding of biological diversity for the benefit and sustainability of life on earth.

**Scope:** To further advance the Foundation's mission a scope was developed as: Interdisciplinary activities primarily carried out via collaborations in developing countries and economies in transition. The Foundation Board of Trustees has expressed a particular interest in focusing its grant-making in Africa.

**Strategic Interest:** Within those bounds a considered course has been chosen to: Advance projects, or parts of biodiversity projects that focus on:

1. Collecting data
2. Aggregating, synthesizing, publishing data, and making it more widely available to potential end users
3. Interpreting and gaining insight from data to inform policy-makers.

Contact	Harry E. Cerino, Executive Director, JRS Biodiversity Foundation, 138 West Highland Avenue, Philadelphia PA 19118, USA. Phone + 1 267 286 7840 Fax +1 215 248 2381 E-mail: hcerino@jrdbf.org URL: <a href="http://www.jrdbf.org/v2/Home.asp">http://www.jrdbf.org/v2/Home.asp</a>
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### Khwarizmi International Award (KIA)

Deadline	15th October, 2009: Deadline for submission of the applications 2nd week of January, 2010: Official announcement of the KIA Laureates First week of February, 2010: Official Awarding Ceremony
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Amount	<b>Foreign Participants and Iranian Expatriates:</b> 1. The award itself consists of a cash money of up to US \$ 5000 for the 22nd session (the cash amount is subject to change) 2. KIA Trophy 3. KIA Certificate with the proper information about the recipient of the award signed by H.E. the President of the Islamic Republic of Iran . <b>Nationals</b> are kindly invited to consult the Persian website of the KIA .
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Eligibility	The Khwarizmi International Award is open to individuals.
Location	International
Summary	The Khwarizmi International Award seeks to recognize the efforts made by researchers, innovators and inventors from all over the world and to appreciate their invaluable achievements and contributions to various fields of science and technology. Criteria: 1. Innovation in research subject or research method 2. Application of the research results in technology development 3. Reliability of the journals in which the results have been published 4. Significance of the project in regard to scientific, educational, and human resources development

5. Economical and social aspects of the project

**Contact** Khwarizmi International Award (KIA), Secretariat, No.71, Shahid Mosavi St., Enghelab Ave., P. O. Box: 15815-3538, Tehran 15819, Islamic Republic of Iran. E-mail: [khwarizmi@irost.org](mailto:khwarizmi@irost.org)  
Tel/Fax: (+98 21) 88 82 50 99 - (+98 21) 88 83 83 41  
URL: <http://en.khwarizmi.ir/index.asp>

### **Kilby Awards**

**Deadline** NA  
**Amount** NA  
**Eligibility** Nominees must be living and must personally have made a significant contribution to science, technology, innovation, invention or education. Laureates must be present for the symposium and awards ceremony.  
**Location** Laureates are chosen without regard to race, religion, gender or national origin.  
**Summary** Mission of the Kilby Awards Foundation is to identify, celebrate and provide heroic role models for future generations, the leaders of the 21st Century. Kilby Laureates are recognized for making significant contributions to society through science, technology, innovation, invention and education.

Young Innovator nominees are individuals under 40 whose past accomplishments and future potential indicate exceptional promise. They are persons for whom early recognition might mean significant and timely freedom and support for their maturing talents, enabling them to make even greater contributions in the future. Young Innovator candidates might be very young or very close to the senior laureate age.

**Contact** The Kilby International Awards Foundation, P.O. Box 9109, Dallas, Texas 75209 USA. Email: [kilby@kilby.org](mailto:kilby@kilby.org) URL: [www.kilby.org](http://www.kilby.org)

### **The King Baudouin International Development Prize**

**Deadline** Launch of the next call for candidacies: 15 October 2009  
Closing of the next call for candidacies: 1 February 2010  
**Amount** The King Baudouin International Development Prize, worth 150,000 euros (approx USD200,000) is awarded every other year by the Foundation's Board of Governors. Beyond its actual financial value, the Prize provides winners international visibility and publicity, with the main agents of development in particular, such as the United Nations and its specialised agencies, the World Bank, the European Union and a number of bilateral development agencies, the world of foundations or international NGOs.  
**Eligibility** The following criteria applies when submitting a candidate's file:  
1. Submitting a candidate's file may only be undertaken by a nominator, in other words an individual or an organisation distinct from the candidate; the Selection Committee will not consider actions undertaken by individuals who are applying for the Prize themselves or for the organisation within which they are active.  
2. The candidate must be either an individual or an organisation.  
3. Several individuals or organisations that are not structurally linked cannot be presented as one single candidacy.  
See here for a list of individuals or organisations qualified to put forward nominations:  
<http://www.kbprize.org/index.html?current=30&page=3&page2=30&lang=en>  
**Location** The aim of the King Baudouin International Development Prize is to acknowledge the work of persons or organisations which have made a

substantial contribution to the development of **countries in the southern hemisphere** or to solidarity between **industrialised nations and developing nations**.

#### Summary

Convinced of the need to foster solidarity on the scale of the entire planet, for ethical reasons and also as a contribution to world stability, the King Baudouin Foundation created the King Baudouin International Development Prize in 1978. Today the Prize has become the classic reference for acknowledgement of positive examples of development.

To select a winner from among the numerous candidates, the Foundation bases itself on the report drawn up by an independent Selection Committee. The composition of the Committee is modified slightly each time the Prize is awarded in order to ensure a degree of renewal and the required continuity. Selection of entries focuses on the multiplier effect of the initiatives put forward, and the opportunities they provide for people in the southern hemisphere to take up the reins of their own development.

Another distinctive feature of the Prize lies in the diversity of the prize-winners. The list covers a broad number of fields, from literacy to the education of rural communities, technology transfer, new forms of credit, human rights or fair trade.

#### Contact

The King Baudouin Foundation, 21 Rue Brederodestraat,  
B-1000 Brussels – Belgium, Tel: 32-2-549.02.73 Fax: 32-2-511.52.21  
E-mail: [info@kbprize.org](mailto:info@kbprize.org) URL:  
<http://www.kbprize.org/index.html?current=1&page=1&page2=1&lang=en>

### Kuwait Fund

#### Deadline

NA

#### Amount

NA

#### Eligibility

The Fund may extend its assistance to different types of entities which include:

1. Central and provincial governments, public utilities and other public corporations.
2. Development institutions, whether international, regional or national and, in particular, development finance institutions.
3. Corporate entities that undertake projects which are jointly owned by a number of developing countries as well as mixed or private enterprises that enjoy corporate personality, and are of a developmental nature and not merely oriented towards making of profit. Such enterprises must be either under the control of one or more developing country or have the nationality of any such country.

#### Location

Arab and other developing countries

#### Summary

Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (The Fund) is a Kuwaiti public corporation established by the State of Kuwait in order to provide assistance to Arab and other developing countries in developing their economies and to promote cooperation and friendship between the State of Kuwait and such countries.

The object of the Fund is to assist Arab and other developing countries in developing their economies. Types of activities:

1. Making loans and providing guarantees
2. Making Grants by way of technical assistance and providing other types of



technical assistance

3. Contributing to capital stocks of international and regional development finance institutions and other development institutions and representing the State of Kuwait in such institutions.

#### Contact

The Fund's operations are focused primarily on the sectors of agriculture and irrigation, transport and communications, energy, industry, water and sewage. Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development, Mirqab, Mubarak Al-Kabeer St., Kuwait City, P.O. Box 2921 Safat 13030 Kuwait, State of Kuwait. Telephone: (+965) 22999000 URL: [http://www.kuwait-fund.org/index.php?option=com\\_frontpage&Itemid=82](http://www.kuwait-fund.org/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=82)

### Lake Victoria Research Initiative (VicRes)

#### Deadline

Call for Proposals - January

#### Amount

A successful proposal is funded up to US \$50,000 and may be renewed twice.

#### Eligibility

The funds are granted to a team of (at least three) researchers, that has developed a fundable project, closely to work with young researchers as assistants. The members must be drawn from at least two countries of the EAC Partner States - Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda and Burundi. Each project must have a lead scientist who must be a PhD holder and an elaborate research profile and, must be affiliated to a recognized institution in the region. Women, social scientists and young researchers are encouraged to participate.

#### Location

Lake Victoria Basin.

#### Summary

Lake Victoria Research Initiative (VicRes) is a unique window for supporting inter- and multi-disciplinary research that would contribute towards poverty reduction and environmental restoration in the Lake Victoria Basin. VicRes was established in 2002 through a series of consultations involving academics, researchers and stakeholders drawn from universities and research organizations in East Africa, and Sida/SAREC. It is funded by Sida/SAREC. VicRes is hosted by the Inter-University Council for East Africa (IUCEA) at its headquarters in Kampala, Uganda. The IUCEA is one of the autonomous institutions of the East African Community (EAC). Its mission is to encourage and develop mutually beneficial collaboration between member universities and, between them and other organizations, both public and private.

The overall goals of VicRes are:

1. To promote sustainable livelihood and natural resources management in the Lake Victoria Basin
2. To re-invigorate research and stimulate discussions on issues that affect people and environment of the Lake Victoria Basin

The objectives of VicRes are:

1. To enhance knowledge on land-human-environment interactions so as to justify interventions relevant to poverty reduction and environmental restoration
2. To promote access to research findings in and outside the East African region for effective decision-making.

VicRes activities are implemented in Phases of Thematic Areas approved by the VicPac in consultation with VicSac and Sida/SAREC. The first Phase of funding (2003-2005) focused on various aspects of Wetlands and Land use implemented on a stepwise basis. The second Phase (2006-2008) added the

Thematic area of Water Catchment Management and Conservation. The topics under these Thematic Areas hve evolved into the folowing clusters - ethno botany and Indigenous Knowledge, aquaculture technologies, water pollution/heavy metals, resource management and planning, and sustainable land use options.

**Contact** Lake Victoria Research (VicRes) Initiative, C/O IUCEA, 3rd Floor, EADB Building, P.O. Box 7110, Kampala, Uganda.  
Tel : +256 041 251 649 or 256 251/2 Fax: + 256 041 342007  
Mob: +256-772-957791 (UG) Mob: +254-733-869366 (K)  
Mob: +255-754-984344 (T) Email: info@vicres.net, z.ogutu@vicres.net  
URL: <http://www.vicres.net/index.php>

### **The Lawrence Foundation**

**Deadline** Grant applications are due either April 30 for the June grant cycle or October 31 for the December grant cycle.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** Nonprofit organizations that qualify for public charity status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or other similar organizations are eligible for grants.

**Location** No geographic restrictions.

**Summary** The Lawrence Foundation is a private family foundation focused on making grants to support environmental, education, human services and other causes. The Lawrence Foundation was established in mid-2000. The Foundation makes both program and operating grants.

**Contact** The Lawrence Foundation, 530 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 207, Santa Monica, CA 90401 T + 1 (310) 451-1567 F + 1 (310) 451-7580  
URL: <http://www.thelawrencefoundation.org/>

### **Lemelson-MIT Award for Sustainability**

**Deadline** Nominations are now being accepted: The deadline to nominate a candidate for the Lemelson-MIT Award for Sustainability is Tuesday, October 6, 2009.

**Amount** \$100,000 USD

**Eligibility**

1. Be U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or foreign nationals currently working legally in the United States
2. Have created a product, process or material; made a technology more affordable; redesigned a system; or otherwise demonstrated remarkable technological inventiveness in addressing sustainability across the development continuum
3. Provide evidence that their inventions have been adopted for practical use
4. Work in an area that ultimately improves quality of life (e.g., quality of air, water or soil; or pertains to health, energy, agriculture, shelter, biodiversity or ecosystem management)
5. Serve as an inspiration to young people, through their creativity, outreach or mentoring activities

**Location** Global

**Summary** The \$100,000 Lemelson-MIT Award for Sustainability honors inventors whose products or processes impact issues of global relevance, as well as issues that impact local communities in terms of meeting basic health needs, and building sustainable livelihoods for the world's poorest populations. To foster technological invention in the area of sustainability, the Lemelson-MIT Award for Sustainability celebrates outstanding inventors whose technological products

or processes collectively:

1. Enhance human development;
2. Mitigate human environmental impact; and/or
3. Provide adaptations to environmental changes that are unalterable in the near term. These types of changes often adversely impact the most vulnerable populations.

Issues of sustainability in developed and developing countries include quality of air, water or soil; or pertain to health, energy, agriculture, shelter, biodiversity, or ecosystem management. Through their work, successful candidates help to ensure effective pathways for global coexistence and the vitality of future generations.

**Contact** The Lemelson-MIT Program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, School of Engineering, 30 Memorial Drive, Building E60, Room 215, Cambridge, MA 02142 Phone: 617-253-3352 Fax: 617-258-8276  
E-mail: [lemelson\\_awards@mit.edu](mailto:lemelson_awards@mit.edu)  
URL: <http://web.mit.edu/invent/w-main.html>

## Leverhulme Trust

**Deadline** See here for a complete list:

[http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/grants\\_awards/deadlines/](http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/grants_awards/deadlines/)

**Amount** The total sum awarded in a typical year under all the awards is around £40m. See “Summary” for individual amount for grants and awards.

**Eligibility** See “Summary” for details.

**Location** See “Summary” for details.

**Summary** The Trust, established at the wish of William Hesketh Lever, the first Viscount Leverhulme, makes awards for the support of research and education. The Trust emphasises individuals and encompasses all subject areas. The Trustees place special weight on the:

1. Originality of the projects put to them
2. Significance of the proposed work
3. Ability to judge and take appropriate risk in the project
4. Removal of barriers between traditional disciplines

The Trust's financial support is organised into grants and awards which vary in size, purpose and application procedure.

**1. International Travel:** Study Abroad Fellowships; Study Abroad Studentships; Research Fellowships; International Networks

**2. Performing and Fine arts:** Training and Professional Development; Artists in Residence

**3. Postdoctoral research:** Early Career Fellowships

**4. Research assistance on a project:** Research Project Grants; Research Fellowships; International Networks; Emeritus Fellowships

**5. Research following retirement:** Emeritus Fellowships

**6. Research leave to pursue a project:** Study Abroad Fellowships; Research Fellowships; Philip Leverhulme Prizes; Major Research Fellowships

**7. Visits by foreign scholars to the UK:** International Networks; Visiting Professorships; Visiting Fellowships

See here for details: [http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/grants\\_awards/](http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/grants_awards/)

**Contact** Postal address is: The Leverhulme Trust, 1 Pemberton Row, London, EC4A 3BG. See here for list of contact numbers and e-mails:

<http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/about/contact/>  
URL: <http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/about/introduction/>

## Levinson, Max and Anna Foundation

**Deadline** The Foundation will not be accepting proposals or making grants in 2009.  
**Amount** Grants are currently awarded once a year and are mostly in the \$10,000 to \$20,000 range. The Foundation is rarely able to fund organizations with budgets in excess of \$1,000,000 per year.

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** The Foundation accepts proposals from any and all locations, but prefer projects with broad implications for society as a whole.

**Summary** The Foundation's funding is evenly distributed among three categories:

### 1. The Environment

- a. Protection of Ecosystems and Biological Diversity
- b. Alternative Energy and Conversion from the Oil Economy
- c. Alternative Agriculture and Local Green Economic Development
- d. Breaking the Link Between Resource Extraction, Civil and International Conflict, and Markets
- e. Development of Environmental Movements

### 2. Social

- a. Promotion of a More Democratic, Equitable, Just and Rewarding Society, including World Peace
- b. Protection of Civil and Human Rights
- c. Citizen Responses to Globalization
- d. Alternative Media and Education
- e. Community-Based Economic Development
- f. Youth Leadership
- g. Violence Prevention and Response

### 3. Jewish/Israel

- a. Jewish Culture, Religion, and Spirituality
- b. Yiddish
- c. Building Jewish Community in the Diaspora
- d. Jewish Organizations for Social Change
- e. Peace, Social, and Environmental Issues in Israel.

Whatever the specific area of interest, the Foundation encourages projects that pursue their goals either by developing concrete alternatives to the status quo or by responsibly modifying existing systems, institutions, conditions, and attitudes which block promising innovation. In addition, the Foundation seeks people and organizations that combine idealism, dedication and genuine concern with rigorous analysis and strategic plans.

**Contact** Charlotte Levinson Talberth, President, The Max and Anna Levinson Foundation, P.O. Box 6309, Santa Fe, NM 87502-6309.  
Phone: (505) 995-8802 Email: [info@levinsonfoundation.org](mailto:info@levinsonfoundation.org)  
URL: <http://www.levinsonfoundation.org/?Mission>

## Levi Strauss Foundation

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

Eligibility	NA
Location	The Foundation funds programs worldwide that advance the human rights and well being of underserved people where Levi Strauss and Co. has a business presence.
Summary	<p>Established in 1952, the Levi Strauss Foundation is an independent private foundation that provides grants to community based organizations working to create meaningful social change. The Levi Strauss Foundation's giving is guided by a belief in empowering individuals and communities; a resolve to address social biases and inequalities and their impact on people and communities; and a commitment to work with other funders and encourage the collaborative efforts of its grantees. Issues they support:</p> <p><b>1. HIV/AIDS</b></p> <p>More than 25 years ago, Levi Strauss &amp; Co. was the first company to not only acknowledge HIV/AIDS, but also to apply significant resources towards its eradication. Today, millions of dollars and thousands of volunteer hours later, the Levi Strauss Foundation remains committed to pushing the limits—from expanded coverage for workers to public policy advocacy—to eliminate this health catastrophe once and for all.</p> <p><b>2. Workers Rights</b></p> <p>Starting with its pioneering Terms of Engagement in 1991, Levi Strauss &amp; Co. has demonstrated leadership in the realm of workers' rights for nearly twenty years. The Levi Strauss Foundation makes grants that provide trainings on labor rights, support public policy change, promote worker health and asset-building opportunities. Collaborating with NGOs, policy makers, and suppliers in the countries where Levi Strauss operates, the Foundation helps set standards that influence communities far beyond our immediate reach.</p> <p><b>3. Asset Building</b></p> <p>Through their Building Assets Program, the Levi Strauss Foundation helps marginalized individuals and families worldwide save their way out of poverty, enabling them to pay for tuition, buy first homes, and build sustainable businesses. Other important activities include advocacy against predatory lending practices and expanding small-business access to international markets.</p>
Contact	URL: <a href="http://www.levistrauss.com/Citizenship/">http://www.levistrauss.com/Citizenship/</a>

## Lindbergh Foundation

Deadline	The application deadline was June 11, 2009, for funding in 2010.
Amount	Grants are awarded in amounts up to \$10,580 each (a symbolic figure representing the cost of the "Spirit of St. Louis" in 1927),
Eligibility	The Foundation welcomes candidates who may or may not be affiliated with an academic, non-profit or for-profit organization. Candidates for grants are not required to hold any graduate or post-graduate academic degrees.
Location	Citizens of all countries are eligible to apply.
Summary	Each year, The Charles A. and Anne Morrow Lindbergh Foundation presents Lindbergh Grants to individuals whose proposed research or education projects will make important contributions toward improving the quality of life by balancing technological advancements and the preservation of our environment. Grants are made in numerous areas of special interest to Charles and Anne Lindbergh, including aviation/aerospace, agriculture, arts and humanities, biomedical research and adaptive technology, conservation of

natural resources, education, exploration, health and population sciences, intercultural communication, oceanography, waste disposal management, water resource management, and wildlife preservation.

**Contact** The Charles A. and Anne Morrow Lindbergh Foundation, 2150 Third Avenue North, Suite 310, Anoka, MN 55303-2200. Phone: 763-576-1596  
Fax: 763-576-1664 Email: [info@lindberghfoundation.org](mailto:info@lindberghfoundation.org)  
URL: [www.lindberghfoundation.org](http://www.lindberghfoundation.org)

### **Liz Claiborne and Art Ortenberg Foundation**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** See samples of recent grants awarded in “Summary”

**Eligibility** The Foundation supports field projects that satisfy the following criteria:

1. A project should be designed with and supported by the local people most directly affected.

2. A project should be modest in scale at its inception. It should also be realistic in its expectations, given the need for widespread support and the long-term dedication of all its participants.

3. A project should have clearly stated objectives and include measurable and verifiable indices of success. These might include the improved status of a species or an area, increased local awareness of conservation and improvements in the lives of those affected by the project.

4. A project should be designed and justified on sound criteria and firm scientific grounds.

Thus, the hallmarks of a Foundation project include local participation, personal involvement and accountability.

**Location** Developing countries, United States

**Summary** The Liz Claiborne and Art Ortenberg Foundation is a private body devoted to the conservation of nature and the amelioration of human distress. The Foundation seeks to redress the breakdown in the processes linking nature and humanity. It concerns itself particularly with matters of species extinction, habitat destruction and fragmentation, resource depletion and resource waste. It favors solutions that directly benefit local communities and serve as exemplars for saving species and wildlands. It recognizes the imperative to reconcile nature preservation with human needs and aspirations.

The Foundation devotes a substantial portion of its funding to developing countries. It therefore recognizes the destructive connection between poverty, over-population, high infant mortality, cultural traditions that dehumanize women, inequitable land distribution and the subsequent degradation of the land and the systems the land supports.

The Foundation is also actively involved in conservation in the United States, particularly Montana and those Western states historically dependent upon extractive industries and agriculture. It encourages local initiatives addressing the problems of diminishing natural resources, technological change and job loss. It emphasizes conservation through cooperation, persuasion and the development of sustainable economic alternatives to resource depletion.

Samples of recent grants awarded in Africa:

#### **1. Training for Women in Conservation (Congo Basin)**

Support women working in conservation to attend short training courses and



workshops. World Wildlife Fund: \$50,000

### **2. Amboseli Research and Conservation Program (Kenya & Tanzania)**

Ecological research and conservation programs within the larger Amboseli National Park ecosystem with an emphasis on the effects of drought on wildlife and livestock. African Conservation Centre: \$142,000

### **3. Madagascar Fish Eagle Conservation Project**

Technical support for community-based management of fisheries and wetland resources, and for protection and monitoring of the resident population of Madagascar fish eagles at the Manambolomaty Ramsar site in Western Madagascar. The Peregrine Fund: \$37,500

### **4. Madagascar Country Program**

Focal ecological research and conservation planning and development of community-based resource management regimes targeting key threatened and endangered species in important wetland and dry forest habitats.

Wildlife Trust & Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust: \$90,700

**Contact** Jim Murtaugh, Program Director, 650 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10019  
USA Telephone: 212-333-2536 Fax: 212-956-3531 Email: [lcaof@lcaof.org](mailto:lcaof@lcaof.org)  
URL: <http://www.lcaof.org/home.html>

## **MacArthur Foundation: Global Security and Sustainability**

**Deadline** CSD geography-based grants follow a three-year recurring cycle, with one portfolio of grants prepared annually for each region. The deadlines for Letters of Inquiry and geographic focal areas for 2009 were:

January 15, 2009: Africa Climate Change Adaptation

March 1, 2009: Northern Andes

**Amount** In 2009, the grant budget for this program area is \$20 million.

**Eligibility** CSD does not review unsolicited project proposals. Instead, prospective applicants should prepare a brief Letter of Inquiry (LOI) using the form provided in the website. Each LOI is reviewed in a multi-stage process, and selected applicants are then invited to submit a full proposal that is evaluated by the Foundation's staff and then considered by the Board of Directors.

**Location** Asia: Eastern Himalaya, Lower Mekong, Melanesia

Africa: Albertine Rift, Madagascar

Latin America: Insular Caribbean, Northern Andes, Southern Andes.

**Summary** MacArthur's conservation grantmaking protects the biodiversity of the planet, while balancing the needs of communities that depend upon natural resources for their survival. With the increasing threat of climate change, the Foundation also supports efforts to adapt conservation strategies to a rapidly changing environment, particularly in eight hotspots around the world.

Grantmaking focuses on support for biodiversity conservation activities in particular geographic focal areas in Africa, Asia/Pacific and Latin America/Caribbean (geography-based grantmaking). MacArthur grantmaking also includes research and development organized around specific themes that address conservation issues in the focal areas (R&D grantmaking).

### **1. Geography-Based Grantmaking**

Conservation of biodiversity is MacArthur's broad global environmental objective. In pursuit of this objective, grantmaking is focused on specific areas where the Foundation has made long-term commitments for lasting impact. Varied ecosystems cover the planet and there are numerous ways to set

conservation priorities. However, much of the planet's biodiversity is in tropical regions where human needs are great and financial resources for conservation concerns are limited. Grants focus on eight areas in the tropics that have high levels of:

- a. Numbers and diversity of plant and animal species,
- b. Endemism (the percentage of those species found nowhere else)
- c. Threat (the level of endangerment of those species).

In addition, the diversity of habitat type, strength of local institutions dealing with conservation, and the Foundation's history and familiarity with the region guided the choice of the eight focal areas.

Grantmaking in each of the eight focal areas has two primary goals:

1. To promote conservation across large landscapes and seascapes.
2. To strengthen the capacity for biodiversity conservation among local institutions.

## 2. Research & Development Grantmaking

R&D grantmaking seeks to advance the state of knowledge and to develop new approaches to the practice of biodiversity conservation. In choosing research to support, the Foundation seeks to add value by investing in critical, but less-explored areas of conservation theory and practice. Grants focus on two primary themes that are important elements in geographic focal areas:

1. Advancing Conservation in a Social Context
2. Adapting Conservation in the Face of Climate Change

### Contact

The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, 140 S. Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60603-5285 USA. Phone: (312) 726-8000 TDD: (312) 920-6285 E-mail: Jorgen Thomsen, Director, Conservation & Sustainable Development [jthomsen@macfound.org](mailto:jthomsen@macfound.org) URL: [http://www.macfound.org/site/c.lkLXJ8MQKrH/b.1013733/k.9901/International\\_Grantmaking\\_\\_Conservation\\_and\\_Sustainable\\_Development.htm](http://www.macfound.org/site/c.lkLXJ8MQKrH/b.1013733/k.9901/International_Grantmaking__Conservation_and_Sustainable_Development.htm)

## Maendeleo Agricultural Technology Fund (MATF)

<b>Deadline</b>	The MATF secretariat based in the FARM-Africa country office in Nairobi, Kenya, advertises a call for concept notes approximately once a year when funds are available. (Calls for concept notes are advertised in local newspapers and other channels - including the MATF and FARM-Africa websites)
<b>Amount</b>	Successful projects receive grants of between £ 8,000 and £ 90,000 (approx. USD 13,000 and USD 146,800) for a project that can last up to 3 years.
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	The Fund has been launched in Uganda (December, 2002), Kenya (April, 2003) and in Tanzania (October, 2004). So far the fund has funded 55 projects in East Africa and another 11 one-year extensions of some of the projects.
<b>Summary</b>	Since inception in 2002, MATF has been offering competitive grants to institutions involved in generation and/or dissemination of proven agricultural technologies to farmers and other end-users. The key elements of the strategy adopted by the Fund have been facilitating linkages between diverse technology transfer practitioners, encouraging greater participation of farmers in technology transfer processes and using innovative cost-effective transfer approaches and methods in order to enhance the dissemination and use of existing viable technologies.

All projects exploring crop, natural resource management and livestock-related technologies (including bees and fish) are usually eligible for consideration. The fund prioritises projects which move beyond production and into value addition and access to markets. The technologies must have been tested under farmer conditions, yield impact within a short period of time and have the potential for scaling out. Examples may range from new crop varieties to innovative systems of crop or livestock management, post-harvest handling, processing, storage, Value addition and marketing. The fund encourages the participation of beneficiaries and inclusion of women in its approaches and methods.

**Contact** MATF | FARM-Africa, Kenya Country Office, Studio House, 4th Floor, Argwings Kodhek Road, Hurlingham.  
The Fund Manager, MATF, PO Box 49502, 00100, Nairobi, Kenya.  
Tel: +254 20-2732044/2203/1664 E-mail: [info@maendeleo-atf.org](mailto:info@maendeleo-atf.org)  
URL: <http://www.maendeleo-atf.org/index.html>

### **MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger – International Program**

**Deadline** Currently MAZON is undertaking a major restructuring of their grantmaking process. As a result, the Foundation is not in a position to accept requests at this time from organizations that are not current MAZON grantees. Please continue to check the website for updates.

**Amount** General range of International grants: \$5,000-\$20,000. Applications requesting more than \$20,000 are discouraged.

**Eligibility** MAZON awards general support or project funding for programs serving hungry and low-income people a) in Israel or b) in developing countries under the auspices of established, U.S.-based nongovernmental organizations.

**Location** MAZON has always been overwhelmingly a Jewish response to hunger in the United States. Therefore, the Foundation awards only a small number of grants in Israel and in developing countries each year.

**Summary** MAZON principally funds programs that strengthen poor families' ability to feed themselves, and that promote equitable practices that enable hungry people to access the food they need - whether through greater access to land, more control over the food production processes or a better social safety net. International grantees also include several direct feeding programs.

The Foundation's approach to food and hunger issues abroad - like their approach in the United States - is based on an understanding that long-term hunger solutions are found in initiatives that address not only immediate needs but also hunger's root causes. U.S.-based organizations working in developing countries must demonstrate that their programs:

1. Have a significant hunger component that addresses long-term hunger prevention and relief
2. Facilitate self-reliance and encourage local independence by increasing low-income people's access to and control of productive resources
3. Work in cooperation with local or national institutions (for example, women's groups, community organizations, local NGOs)
4. Train low-income people and/or involve them in the design, implementation, control and evaluation of the project
5. Employ ecologically sound principles and, when possible, use locally available resources, appropriate and affordable technologies and minimize the use of external or purchased materials

6. Draw upon and build on existing capacities of vulnerable groups, particularly women.

**Contact** MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger, 10495 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 100, Los Angeles, CA 90025. Phone: (310) 442-0020, 800-813-0557  
Fax: (310) 442-0030  
URL: <http://www.mazon.org/what-we-fund/funding-guidelines/international/>

### **McKnight Foundation: Collaborative Crop Research Program (CCRP)**

**Deadline** As of 5/1/2009: There are currently no active calls for proposals. Information on current calls for concept notes can be found at [mcknight.ccrp.cornell.edu](http://mcknight.ccrp.cornell.edu).

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Developing Countries

**Summary** The McKnight Foundation Collaborative Crop Research Program (CCRP) is a competitive grants program that seeks to increase food security for resource-poor people in developing countries. The CCRP strategically combines elements of research and development, seeking innovative solutions to real problems that will improve availability, access, and utilization of nutritious food by rural people with the fewest resources. The goal of the CCRP is to help build capacity to achieve food and nutritional security for resource-poor rural people in developing countries, in a way that is consistent with local cultures and the maintenance of ecosystem health.

The program takes a holistic, ecosystem approach to agriculture, supporting research and partnerships that lead to increased crop productivity, improved livelihoods, and better nutrition. The CCRP supports a variety of approaches to these issues, such as crop physiology and breeding, seed systems, analysis and utilization of crop biodiversity, integrated pest management, and commercialization.

Initially, the program funded research partnerships made up of scientists in developing countries and scientists in the industrialized world. Now, the CCRP emphasizes the idea of a Community of Practice (CoP). That is, the program supports clusters of projects in a region and fosters partnerships among local, national, or regional research, development, and farmer organizations. Processes of interchange and innovation are stimulated through annual meetings, exchange visits, and technical support. (Information on projects currently funded is available on the CCRP website at <http://mcknight.ccrp.cornell.edu/projects/>.) Projects are designed to lead from research to practical outcomes. The funded CoPs are:

#### **1. Achieving impact in the Andes.**

This group of projects is designed to improve the livelihoods of people, households, and communities in the Andean region by targeting crops and cropping systems important to Andean food security. The program supports collaborative projects involving research and development organizations working together with communities in Ecuador, Peru, and Bolivia.

#### **2. Millet and sorghum-based systems in West Africa.**

This group of projects focuses on improving food security for people depending on millet and sorghum-based systems in West Africa. The program supports collaborative projects involving research and development

organizations working together with communities in Mali, Burkina Faso, and Niger.

### **3. Enhancing the utilization of legumes in Southern Africa.**

This group of projects focuses on increasing the integration of edible legumes into the cropping systems of Tanzania, Mozambique, and Malawi.

### **4. Improving crop productivity, marketing and utilization in the Eastern and Horn of Africa.**

This group of projects will be designed to improve the livelihoods and nutrition of people in Uganda, Kenya, and Ethiopia, particularly those depending on under-researched crops of regional importance.

**Contact** **Dr. Rebecca Nelson**, Scientific Director, 303A Plant Science, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853 USA. Tel: 607-254-7475  
E-mail: [rjn7@cornell.edu](mailto:rjn7@cornell.edu) OR

**Jane Maland Cady**, Ph.D., International Program Director, The McKnight Foundation, 710 South Second Street #400, Minneapolis, MN 55401 USA.  
Tel: 612-333-4220 E-mail: [jmalandcady@mcknight.org](mailto:jmalandcady@mcknight.org)  
URL: <http://mcknight.ccrp.cornell.edu/>

## **McKnight Foundation: East Africa Grants Program**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Uganda and Tanzania

**Summary** McKnight's East Africa Grants Program seeks to increase women's access to skills and economic opportunities that will help them gain greater control over their lives. In addition, the program tries to help women participate more fully in their households and communities as equal decision-makers. In 2006, our East Africa program awarded about US \$1.4 million to projects that support this goal. Currently, McKnight is reviewing their program in Uganda and Tanzania. Throughout the review, they will not accept new letters of inquiry. Please visit the website in fall 2009 for the latest program developments.

**Contact** The McKnight Foundation, 710 South Second Street, Suite 400, Minneapolis, MN 55401. T. 612-333-4220 F. 612-332-3833  
URL: <http://www.mcknight.org/international/africa.aspx>

## **MISTRA: The Foundation for Strategic Environmental Research**

**Deadline** New MISTRA programmes can be initiated in one of two ways. Either MISTRA announces programme funding in a specific, topical area, or a proposal is submitted to MISTRA. If MISTRA has issued a call for applications for planning grants in a particular field, the closing date will be stated in the call. Otherwise, the applicant can submit a planning grant application to MISTRA at any time during the year, although it must reach them no later than 1 September if a decision is to be reached on the programme during the following year.

**Amount** The average duration of a MISTRA programme is 6-8 years, with an annual budget of SEK 6-12 million (approx. USD 760,000 – USD 1,500,000). MISTRA planning grants average between SEK 100 000 and SEK 300 000 (approx. USD12,000 – USD 38,000).

**Eligibility** An applicant's programme idea must have the potential to meet all the criteria for MISTRA's funding. Before applying for a planning grant, it is particularly



important that the applicant clearly put into words what contribution their programme will make in terms of solving important environmental problems and promoting Sweden's competitiveness.

- Location** Researchers and users from countries other than Sweden can participate alongside their Swedish counterparts. However, the centre of gravity of a programme must always be in Sweden.
- Summary** The aim of every Mistra programme is to contribute to solving major environmental problems. The researchers involved in the programme do their work in dialogue with practitioners from Swedish enterprises, public authorities and legislative bodies, as well as international negotiating bodies and non-governmental organisations, with a view to making their research results useful in practice, to achieve sustainable development. All Mistra programmes are interdisciplinary.
- Contact** MISTRA: The Foundation for Strategic Environmental Research, Gamla Brogatan 36-38, SE-111 20 Stockholm, Sweden, Telephone +46 8 791 10 20 Fax +46 8 791 10 29 E-mail: [mail@mistra.org](mailto:mail@mistra.org) URL: <http://www.mistra.org/mistra/english/fundings.4.1eeb37210182cfc0d680004574.html>

## Monsanto Fund

- Deadline** Grants are awarded twice a year by Monsanto Fund, in June and December. Deadlines for applications are: January 1, July 1
- Amount** Single grant requests must be for at least U.S. \$25,000.
- Eligibility** All applicants for grants must qualify as tax exempt public charities or its equivalent and provide proof of tax-exempt status as outlined by IRS rules. NGOs must be experienced, established and reputable. The Fund does not work with start-up organizations.
- Location** Priority is given to communities where there are Monsanto employees, facilities or strategic business interests.
- Summary** Monsanto Fund seeks to improve the earth's ecosystem—including clean water, productive land and thriving biodiversity—and the well-being of her people by supporting projects in four primary areas:
- 1. Nutritional Improvement through Agriculture**  
Working to implement sustainable agricultural improvements through education and research. Focus areas include field techniques, education in the areas of nutrition and vitamin deficiency and reducing the impact of pest and virus' on subsistence crops.
  - 2. Science Education**  
Teacher training, science fairs, museum exhibitions
  - 3. Healthy Environment**  
Projects which conserve and protect special places and teach children and families how to value them.
  - 4. Our Communities**  
Particularly directed at the places where employees live and work, these are programs that are generally agreed upon between the community and Monsanto site management.
- Contact** **Africa:** Kinyua Mbijjewe, Monsanto Kenya Ltd, Tusky's HQ, Mombasa Rd., P.O Box 47686 Nairobi 00100, Kenya.  
E-mail: [kinyua.mbijjewe@monsanto.com](mailto:kinyua.mbijjewe@monsanto.com)  
URL: <http://www.monsantofund.org/asp/welcome.asp>



## Morris Animal Foundation Awards: First Award

Deadline	NA
Amount	2 years at \$50,000 maximum per year (personnel and supplies) plus maximum of 8% indirect costs (maximum award \$54,000). MAF does not pay salaries for faculty appointed to regular/tenure track, full-time, full-salaried positions (i.e. 100% of salary is paid by the institution).
Eligibility	Applicant must be post-DVM, post-PhD and/or post-specialty boards. Applicant must have a post-doctoral career appointment/faculty equivalent position (faculty member just starting out) in a university, accredited zoo, or conservation organization. Applicant must provide a letter documenting their position at their institution from their dean, department head, or equivalent. Applicant must <i>not</i> have been funded previously as a principal investigator for more than \$10,000 for any single, extramural award. Previous role as a co-investigator is acceptable. Residents are not eligible for this award.
Location	NA
Summary	Morris Animal Foundation accepts grant applications for small companion animals (dogs and cats), large companion animals (horses and llama/alpaca), multiple species (combinations of above), and wildlife. For each of those categories grants are made in three categories Established Investigator, First Award, and Fellowship Training.

The goal of the First Award Grant program is to offer veterinary and/or doctoral (PhD) investigators opportunities early in their career by: 1) providing research funding for their 'first' project as the principal investigator in companion animal or wildlife research and 2) pairing them with a 'seasoned' researcher (MENTOR) to facilitate launching a successful, long-term, scientific career in advancing companion animal and wildlife health.

The Foundation will consider proposals that are relevant to their mission of advancing the health and well-being of companion animals and wildlife by funding humane studies and disseminating information about these studies. To ensure the future of animal health and well-being, MAF is also keenly interested in training our world's future scientists. Research projects that meet our criteria for relevance include:

1. Research that is likely to produce an immediate beneficial outcome for individual animals or populations of animals. The Foundation is especially interested in addressing those diseases/issues that cause morbidity or mortality for the greatest number of animals.
2. Research that addresses an emerging/growing threat that may be solved through new technologies or that has not been adequately addressed before due to lack of other funding sources.
3. Research that prevents/protects animals from suffering, disease or death in the first place (i.e., prevention, population control, behavioral studies).
4. Research projects that include a training component and are likely to produce a future veterinary/animal health researcher.
5. Research that meets the Foundation's Health Study Policy. Applications that do not meet this policy will not be considered.

Contact	Morris Animal Foundation, 10200 East Girard Ave. B430, Denver, CO 80231, 303.790.2345, 800.243.2345 toll-free, 303.790.4066 fax URL: <a href="http://www.morrisanimalfoundation.org/">http://www.morrisanimalfoundation.org/</a> Information on the First Award:
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[http://www.morrisanimalfoundation.org/pdf/Morris\\_Animal\\_Foundation\\_Awards.pdf](http://www.morrisanimalfoundation.org/pdf/Morris_Animal_Foundation_Awards.pdf)

## **Nagao Natural Environment Foundation (NEF)**

**Deadline** See "Summary"

**Amount** See "Summary"

**Eligibility** See "Summary"

**Location** Developing countries mainly in the Asia-Pacific region

**Summary** Founded in 1989, the Nagao Natural Environment Foundation (NEF) is a non-governmental organisation dedicated to promoting nature conservation in developing countries. The Foundation's mission is to promote nature conservation in developing countries through its three programmes:

### **1. The Comprehensive Programme for Conservation on Research and Activities**

The Comprehensive Programme for Conservation Research and Activities facilitates the intensive production of scientific work and a variety of conservation activities. In 2006, NEF launched a new project in the Mekong - Chao Phraya basin region to work with researchers and conservation groups in Thailand, Lao PDR, Cambodia and Vietnam. The programme is divided into two components: one is scientific research working with local scientists, and the other is conservation activities working with local NGOs and citizens' groups.

### **2. The Research Grant Scheme**

The Research Grant Scheme provides grants to creative and committed local individuals, allowing them to undertake research and related activities within the scope of nature and conservation. In 2004, the NEF introduced new programmes within the Research Grant Scheme in order to extend its support to not only experienced research scientists, but also researchers from younger generations, graduate students, and other individuals concerned.

#### **a. Research Grant Programme**

The Research Grant Programme aims to support field research projects and studies within the scope of nature conservation in developing countries, mainly in the Asia-Pacific region. Applicants must be research scientists who work full-time at locally based research institutions in the developing countries of the region.

#### **b. Publication Programme**

The Publication Programme aims to support scientific publication within the scope of nature conservation in developing countries. Applicants must be research scientists who work full-time at locally based research institutions in developing countries. The draft script or content of the proposed book should be submitted along with a proposal.

#### **c. Small-scale Research Grant Programme**

The Small-scale Research Grant Programme aims to support field researches and studies conducted by researchers from young generations, graduate students, and other concerned individuals, within the scope of nature conservation in developing countries. Applicants must be local residents in developing countries.

#### **d. Conservation Activity Programme**

The Conservation Activity Programme aims to support activities and education conducted by teachers, students, NGO staff, and other concerned individuals, within the scope of nature conservation in developing countries. Applicants

must be local residents in developing countries.  
For details: [http://www.nagaofoundation.or.jp/research\\_e/research01.html](http://www.nagaofoundation.or.jp/research_e/research01.html)

### 3. The Scholarship Scheme

The NEF Scholarship is only available for local university students taking courses related to nature conservation (e.g., biology, botany, forestry, etc) in Asia. The NEF Scholarship Scheme currently supports students in six countries: Indonesia, the Philippines (Puerto Princesa, Palawan), Myanmar, Vietnam, Malaysia (Sabah), and Lao PDR. The amount depends on the country and academic year of the student. For details:

**Contact** [http://www.nagaofoundation.or.jp/scholarship\\_e/scholarship\\_s02.html#3](http://www.nagaofoundation.or.jp/scholarship_e/scholarship_s02.html#3)  
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E-mail: [secretariat@nagaofoundation.or.jp](mailto:secretariat@nagaofoundation.or.jp)  
URL: [http://www.nagaofoundation.or.jp/about\\_e/about01.html](http://www.nagaofoundation.or.jp/about_e/about01.html)

### National Geographic: Conservation Trust

**Deadline** Year round  
**Amount** Most range from U.S. \$15,000 to \$20,000  
**Eligibility** Applicants are not expected to have Ph.D.'s or other advanced degrees. However, applicants must provide a record of prior research or conservation action as it pertains to the proposed project. Funding is not restricted to United States citizens. Researchers planning work in foreign countries should include at least one local collaborator as part of their research teams.

**Location** NA

**Summary** The objective of the Conservation Trust is to support conservation activities around the world as they fit within the mission of the National Geographic Society. The trust will fund projects that contribute significantly to the preservation and sustainable use of the Earth's biological, cultural, and historical resources. Dedicated to the conservation of the world's biological and cultural heritage, the National Geographic Society's Conservation Trust supports innovative solutions to issues of global concern.

The trust encourages model projects that engage and inform their areas' local population. Projects that hold potential as media subject matter are also encouraged, as National Geographic's vast audience offers our grantees opportunities to make a broad public impact.

Buffett Award winners are chosen from nominations submitted to the National Geographic Society's Conservation Trust, which screens the nominations through a peer review process. Awards are \$25,000.

**Contact** Conservation Trust, National Geographic Society; 1145 17th St. NW; Washington, DC 20090-8249, USA Email: [conservationtrust@ngs.org](mailto:conservationtrust@ngs.org)  
URL: <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/conservation/index.html>

### National Institutes of Health (NIH): Global Research Initiative Program, Behavioral/Social Sciences

**Deadline** **Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s):**  
August 21, 2007; August 21, 2008; August 21, 2009.

**Application Receipt Date(s):**

September 21, 2007; September 22, 2008; September 21, 2009.

This program expires on September 22, 2009.

**Amount** The total amount to be awarded is \$300,000 and the anticipated number of awards is six. Because the nature and scope of the proposed research will vary from application to application, it is anticipated that the size and duration of each award may also vary; however, individual awards are limited to a maximum of \$50,000 direct costs per year. The total amount to be awarded and the number of awards will depend upon the quality and costs of the applications received.

**Eligibility** Public/State Controlled Institution of Higher Education; Private Institution of Higher Education; Non-domestic (non-U.S.) Entity (Foreign Organization in low- to middle-income country, based on Gross National Income (GNI) per capita, classified by the World Bank).

**Location** Only institutions in low- or middle-income (“developing”) countries are eligible to apply. Institutions in countries that have the least economic resources are particularly encouraged to apply. For the purposes of this announcement, institutions in the following countries or geographical regions are eligible: North Africa, West Africa, East Africa, Central Africa, Southern Africa, Russia, the Newly Independent States, Eastern Europe (except Slovenia), the Middle East (except Israel), India, Asia (except Japan, Singapore, South Korea and Taiwan), the Pacific Islands region (except Australia and New Zealand), Latin America and the Caribbean.

**Summary** The purpose of this initiative is to provide funding opportunities for the increasing pool of foreign social and behavioral scientists, clinical investigators, nurses and other health professionals, with state-of-the-art knowledge of research methods. It is expected that this program will advance critical issues in global health through behavioral and social sciences research upon return of the investigators to their home countries.

It is expected that research topics will vary. Specific research interests of partnering ICs can be found on the ICs’ websites, as listed in the beginning of the website.

1. Research related to women’s health, including studies of gender differences in disease onset and progression, identification of behavioral strategies that are effective in encouraging healthy lifestyles in young girls and women, as well as behavioral strategies to encourage prevention of diseases such as STDs and diseases with higher prevalence among women (including infectious diseases, lupus, multiple sclerosis and depression), are particularly encouraged.

2. Research on healthy outcomes of pregnancy and child survival, and population research as associated with both behavioral and social, and economic research is encouraged.

3. Research related to the health effects of human exposures to environmental agents is encouraged.

4. Research focused on behavioral and social determinants and their effects on health is also encouraged.

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URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-07-328.html>

## **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA): Coral Reef Conservation Program**

<b>Deadline</b>	Pre-applications must be received by NOAA November 6, 2007.
<b>Amount</b>	Up to approximately \$500,000 may be available in FY 2008 to support grants and cooperative agreements under this program. Approximately \$75,000-\$100,000 may be allocated to each of the four project categories listed below, with the following award ranges: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Watershed Management: \$30,000-\$50,000</li><li>2. Regional Management Effectiveness capacity building projects: up to \$80,000</li><li>3. MPA National Networks: \$40,000-\$50,000</li><li>4. Regional Socio-Economic Monitoring projects: \$15,000 - \$35,000</li></ol>
<b>Eligibility</b>	Eligible applicants include all international, governmental (except U.S. federal agencies), and non-governmental organizations.
<b>Location</b>	The Western Indian Ocean Region includes Comoros, France (La Reunion), Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, the United Republic of Tanzania, and South Africa. The Red Sea Region includes five member countries of the Regional Organization for the Conservation of the Environment of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden (PERSGA): Djibouti, Egypt, Jordan, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and Yemen.
<b>Summary</b>	<p>The purpose of the International Coral Reef Conservation Program is to support the National Action Plan to Conserve Coral Reefs which calls on the United States &amp; to exercise global leadership in the international arena in shaping and developing environmentally sound and comprehensive coral reef policy, strengthen international conventions and foster strategic partnerships with other countries, international organizations and institutions, the public and private sectors, and non-governmental organizations to address international threats to coral reef ecosystems.</p> <p>In FY 2008, the International program consists of the following four project categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Promote Watershed Management in the Wider Caribbean, Brazil, and Bermuda</li><li>2. Regional Enhancement of Marine Protected Area Management Effectiveness</li><li>3. Encourage the Development of National Networks of Marine Protected Areas in the Wider Caribbean, Bermuda, Brazil, Southeast Asia, and the South Pacific</li><li>4. Promote Regional Socio-Economic Training and Monitoring in Coral Reef Management in the Wider Caribbean, Brazil, Bermuda, the Western Indian Ocean, the Red Sea, the South Pacific, South Asia, and Southeast Asia.</li></ol>
<b>Contact</b>	Paper pre-applications must be submitted to: David Kennedy, NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program Coordinator, Office of Response and Restoration, N/ORR, Room 10102, NOAA National Ocean Service, 1305 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Fax submittals will also be accepted for pre-applications (Fax: 301_713_4389). URL: <a href="http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=14672&amp;mode=VIEW">http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=14672&amp;mode=VIEW</a>

## **National Research Foundation (NRF): International Research Grants - South Africa / German Joint Science and Technology Research**

<b>Deadline</b>	All South African applications must be submitted by: 18 September 2009
<b>Amount</b>	The total amount of funding requested should not exceed R300 000 (approx.



Eligibility	USD38,000). Funding will be made available for a maximum of three years. This call is open to working researchers residing in South Africa and affiliated with a recognised higher education or research institution such as a university, university of technology or science council. An application must designate two principal investigators, one in South Africa and one in Germany, who will bear the main responsibility for the project, including its technical and administrative coordination as well as scientific and financial reporting. The South African principal investigator must be in possession of a PhD. Applications from any recognised field of study, including natural and social sciences, as well as the humanities and engineering will be received.
Location Summary	South Africa, Germany In 1996 South Africa and Germany signed an inter-governmental bilateral agreement on cooperation in the fields of science, research and technology, jointly implemented and administrated by the National Research Foundation (NRF) in South Africa and the Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF) in Germany. The NRF looks forward to providing support for the development of well educated, well-trained and innovative young researchers who will create depth within their academic and professional workforce in a sustainable environment that will benefit the present generation but also future generations. Identified priority areas are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sustainable Energy Systems</li> <li>2. Multidisciplinary research in fields such as global change; human and social dynamics</li> <li>3. Research and Development in the Environmental Goods and Services Sector</li> <li>4. Sustainable Resource Management (incl. mining)</li> <li>5. Biotechnology</li> <li>6. Nanotechnology</li> <li>7. Advanced Manufacturing</li> </ol>
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### National Science Foundation (NSF): ADVANCE Program

Deadline	<b>Letter of Intent Deadline Date: August 4, 2009</b> Institutional Transformation (IT) and Institutional Transformation Catalyst (IT-Catalyst) <b>Full Proposal Deadline Date: November 12, 2009</b> Institutional Transformation (IT) and Institutional Transformation Catalyst (IT-Catalyst)
Amount Eligibility	NA Proposals from primarily undergraduate institutions, teaching intensive colleges, community colleges, minority-serving institutions (e.g. Tribal Colleges and Universities, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic-Serving Institutions), women's colleges, and institutions primarily serving persons with disabilities are encouraged.
Location Summary	United States of America; International The goal of the ADVANCE program (Increasing the Participation and Advancement of Women in Academic Science and Engineering Careers) is to



develop systemic approaches to increase the representation and advancement of women in academic science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) careers, thereby contributing to the development of a more diverse science and engineering workforce. Creative strategies to realize this goal are sought from women and men. Members of underrepresented minority groups and individuals with disabilities are especially encouraged to apply. Proposals that address the participation and advancement of women with disabilities and women from underrepresented minority groups are particularly encouraged.

In 2009-2010, this program will support the following types of ADVANCE Projects:

**1. Institutional Transformation (IT)**

Institutional Transformation awards are expected to include innovative systemic organizational approaches to transform institutions of higher education in ways that will increase the participation and advancement of women in STEM academic careers. These awards support comprehensive programs for institution-wide change. IT projects must include a research component designed to study the effectiveness of the proposed innovations in order to contribute to the knowledge base informing academic institutional transformation (see additional ADVANCE merit review criteria).

**2. Institutional Transformation Catalyst (IT-Catalyst)**

IT-Catalyst awards are designed to support institutional self-assessment activities, such as basic data collection and analysis and policy review, in order to identify specific issues in the recruitment, retention and promotion of women faculty in STEM academics within their institution of higher education. This type of work is fundamental for institutions that plan to undertake institutional transformation. The institution's need for external resources to undertake institutional self assessment and policy review will specifically be evaluated using an additional ADVANCE merit review criterion.

**3. Partnerships for Adaptation, Implementation, and Dissemination (PAID)**

Partnerships for Adaptation, Implementation, and Dissemination awards may focus on one institution or organization, or they may be a partnership between several institutions and/or organizations. PAID projects can focus on all STEM disciplines, several disciplines, or only one discipline, including the social and behavioral sciences. Projects may have an international, national, state or local scope. Previous or current funding from ADVANCE is not a prerequisite for submitting a PAID proposal (see additional ADVANCE merit review criteria). PAID awards support activities such as:

- a. Adaptation and implementation of materials, tools, research, and practices that have been demonstrated to be effective in increasing the participation and advancement of women in STEM academic careers.
- b. Dissemination and diffusion of materials, tools, research, and practices, to the appropriate audiences, that have been demonstrated to be effective in increasing the participation and advancement of women in STEM academic careers. Please note that simply making materials, tools, research, and practices available to others is not effective diffusion and dissemination. Rather, an effort to teach and/or train individuals and groups how to adopt or adapt the information is expected as well.

c. Scientific research designed to advance understanding of gender in the STEM academic workforce (PAID-Research).

**Contact** The National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230, USA Tel: (703) 292-5111, FIRS: (800) 877-8339, TDD: (800) 281-8749.  
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URL: [http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\\_summ.jsp?pims\\_id=5383](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5383)

## **National Science Foundation (NSF): Africa, Near East, and South Asia (ANESA) Program**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Africa, Near East, South Asia

**Summary** The Africa, Near East, and South Asia (ANESA) region includes a large number of countries across three continents. The ANESA regional group enables research and education collaborations with scientists and engineers in all of Africa, the Near Eastern countries including Turkey, and the countries of South Asia, primarily India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh. The Program supports workshops, short-term planning visits, dissertation enhancement, and research experiences for students.

Special ANESA regional opportunities:

**1. Africa** Activities focus on building research collaborations with African scientists and engineers and on providing U.S. students with strong research experiences in Africa. Participation of junior investigators from both the United States and the host country is strongly encouraged. Support is available for projects in all disciplines that NSF funds. Topics that benefit from the region's unique biological, environmental, geological, anthropological, and cultural resources are of interest, but OISE also encourages collaboration in disciplines that are not field-based. NSF contact for North Africa is DeAndra Beck. NSF contact for SubSaharan Africa is Wayne Patterson.

**2. Near East** ANESA supports collaborations with all countries of the Near East -- the countries with the largest number of projects are Turkey and Egypt. In Turkey, the national science funding organization, TUBITAK, reviews and funds the parallel proposals submitted by Turkish collaborators. For Egypt, in addition to projects funded under OISE's regular programs, NSF participates in a special program under the US-Egypt Joint Science and Technology Program with funds from the Department of State. This program is overseen by a Joint Board which meets annually to set priorities and select proposals for awards. Proposals submitted to this program should be submitted to the appropriate NSF research directorate; ANESA serves to coordinate their NSF review with counterpart review in Egypt. Throughout the region, the ANESA program promotes inclusion of junior researchers in collaborations to stimulate long-term research partnerships. NSF contact for Egypt is DeAndra Beck. NSF contact for Turkey is Geoff Prentice.

**3. South Asia** Within this region, collaborations with India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh have developed in many important scientific areas. Other countries

in South Asia where there have been fewer collaborations include Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, and the Maldives. NSF support for junior U.S. researchers and students working in South Asia is increasing and collaborations with senior scientists have high scientific value for U.S. scientists. They also offer attractive partnership opportunities for U.S. scientists because the projects are frequently enhanced with financial support for foreign collaborators from their respective Ministries of Science and Technology. In addition to activities supported under programs listed on the OISE home page, there is a special opportunity for researchers pursuing collaborative activities with India - the NSF/DST Joint program. NSF contact for Pakistan is Osman Shinaishin and for the other countries of South Asia is Marjorie Lueck.

**Contact** Mailing address: ANESA Program, Suite 935, Office of International Science and Engineering, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. E-mail: [anesainfo@nsf.gov](mailto:anesainfo@nsf.gov) Phone: 703-292-8707 Fax: 703-292-9176 URL: <http://www.nsf.gov/od/oise/anesa.jsp>

### National Science and Technology Forum (NSTF) Awards

**Deadline** The last call for nominations ended on 6 February 2009. Check the website for updates.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** The criteria for the selection of the award winners in all categories are summarised as:

1. The contribution to the advancement of science/technological innovation/new knowledge generated - the inputs to this contribution; the research process; the outputs.
2. The practical application / implementation
3. Commercial or economic impact
4. Relevance to South Africa and its people and resultant contribution to S&T policy
5. Promotion of public understanding of science and technology
6. Promotion of education in this field as a contribution to the public understanding of SETI
7. Social and economic sustainability
8. National and international recognition

**Location** South Africa

**Summary** The NSTF Awards were established in 1998, three years after the founding of the National Science and Technology Forum (NSTF), a uniquely South African forum of science, engineering, technology and innovation (SETI) organisations. It has grown to be the most prestigious SETI awards in South Africa. NSTF Awards recognise and celebrate individuals and organisations for outstanding contributions in Science, Engineering, Technology and Innovation (SETI), for the purposes of:

1. Achieving sustainable economic growth for South Africa and improving the quality of life of its people
2. Promoting excellence among SETI practitioners and research, development and innovation
3. Encouraging young people to undertake careers in SETI.

The categories are:

#### **1. Categories A, B and C: Awards for Individuals**

These awards are made to those three individuals who have made outstanding

contributions to science, engineering and technology (SET) in South Africa.

## **2. Categories D, E and F: Research for Innovation by teams/individuals through organisations**

These three awards are made for an outstanding contribution to science, engineering, technology and innovation (SETI) from either a team or an individual where it can be demonstrated that: (a) either research carried out in SA has led to new science which in turn has led to new engineering or medical or social concepts i.e. technology, or (b) where engineering or medical or social concepts i.e. technology which have been developed in SA and have been applied and have led to a successful innovation which takes on the form of either an accepted innovation in science, a project, or a product, or a range of products or a methodology or any other form of applied output completed in the recent past.

## **3. Category G: Awards for Research Capacity Developers**

The purpose of these Awards is to recognise individuals regardless of nationality or citizenship or gender based in South Africa, who have during their careers demonstrated outstanding leadership in increasing the participation of Black Researchers in their chosen scientific, engineering and technological fields.

## **4. Categories H and J: Awards to Black Researchers**

These awards, known as the TW Kambule NRF Research Awards, are made to those four black individuals in South Africa who have made outstanding contributions to science, engineering and technology and who represent role models for others to follow.

## **5. Category K: Science Communication for Public Awareness**

The NSTF Science and Technology Communicator's Award is intended to encourage South African researchers, writers, educators and communicators (including journalists) to promote science and technology through conventional and/or innovative means.

**Contact** NSTF Secretariat, c/o CSIR Campus, Building 33, Room S140, Meiring Naude Road, Brummeria, Pretoria. E-Mail: [nstf@scientia.co.za](mailto:nstf@scientia.co.za)  
Tel: +27 12 841- 3987/2708/4995 Fax: +27 12 841- 3025  
URL: <http://www.nstfawards.org.za/index.html>

## **Netherlands Centre for Indigenous People**

**Deadline** Unfortunately, NCIV's Board has decided to close their Programme for the Promotion on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2005-2008), including GRIP as of 1 October 2008. At present, NCIV is working hard to find alternative funding for a new programme of work. Check their website for updates.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** The Netherlands Centre for Indigenous Peoples (NCIV) is a NGO (non-governmental organisation) based in Amsterdam which has been supporting the promotion and protection of the rights of Indigenous Peoples world-wide since 1969. In a growing international movement, Indigenous Peoples are organising themselves in order to secure the recognition for their rights. As a support group NCIV works to raise awareness and to assist them in their struggle. The main rights Indigenous Peoples seek are those related to the rights to their lands and natural resources, the right to the preservation of their cultures, the control over their intellectual property rights, and the right to the protection of

indigenous knowledge, all of which are contingent upon the recognition and respect for their right to self-determination. Indigenous Peoples seek to be able to fully participate in decision-making processes on the local, national and international levels which concern their lives.

NCIV pays special attention to the role and position of Indigenous women, who are doubly marginalized, both as Indigenous People and as women. NCIV supports the collective and individual human rights of Indigenous Peoples as was determined in the Draft Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Universal Declaration on Human Rights. Further, NCIV dedicates itself to the awareness raising on Indigenous Peoples' issues in the Dutch society and beyond.

**Contact** E-mail: [info@nciv.net](mailto:info@nciv.net)  
URL: <http://www.antenna.nl/~nciv/engels/About.html>

### **Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): NACCAP**

**Deadline** Check the website for the next call.  
**Amount** NA  
**Eligibility** NA  
**Location** sub-Saharan Africa  
**Summary** NACCAP – the Netherlands-African partnership for capacity development and clinical interventions against poverty-related diseases – aims to combine excellent scientific research with sustained investments in the R&D capacity in Africa as part of a long-term strategy to fight the diseases of poverty. This new partnership is funded by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DGIS), as part of the Action Programme for Sustainable Development. NACCAP is managed by the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO).

The general objective is to strengthen the African R&D capacity in the field of poverty-related diseases by investing in joint research activities and clinical testing in Africa at locally owned R&D centres. NACCAP thus combines the regular NWO focus on scientific excellence, competitive funding and involvement of the scientific community with capacity development to fight poverty-related diseases.

To achieve its general objectives, NACCAP will work with clear focus on some aspects:

- 1. Geographically:** sub-Saharan Africa
- 2. Disease fields:** no a priori focus within three diseases, but a detailed strategy tuned towards EDCTP strategy
- 3. New strategies:** working towards locally effective and affordable products, answering to local needs;
- 4. Partnerships:** building on successful existing African – EU partnerships, involvement of partners from other European countries, cooperation with industry is encouraged;
- 5. African centres:** must be locally owned and embedded in health system.

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## **Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO): WOTRO Science for Global Development - Integrated Programmes (IP)**

- Deadline** The procedure is split into two stages with a preliminary and final application. It is compulsory to submit a preliminary application. New applications can be submitted twice a year, in April and September.  
Last deadline: 3 September 2009
- Amount** The financial support (maximum budget € 700,000 – approx. USD995,000) concerns research and personnel costs (salary and / or living allowance), as well as costs for joint programme activities.
- Eligibility** Applications must be formally submitted by a senior researcher with a PhD degree, employed by a NWO recognised grant recipient or by an international centre for scientific education based in the Netherlands. A senior researcher from the partner organisation in the developing country concerned with a PhD degree should be the co-applicant and a member of the coordinating team.
- Location** An IP has to be a collaborative initiative of researchers from the Netherlands (NL) and from one or more developing countries (DC). Developing countries include all low and middle-income non-EU countries that qualify for receiving Official Development Assistance (ODA), as defined by the OECD (see [www.oecd.org/dac/stats/daclist](http://www.oecd.org/dac/stats/daclist)). DC researchers and relevant stakeholders from outside the scientific community are expected to be engaged in all phases of the programme, from the inception phase to the sharing of emerging results.
- Summary** The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO) funds thousands of top researchers at universities and institutes and steers the course of Dutch science by means of subsidies and research programmes. WOTRO is the science division within NWO which supports scientific research on development issues, in particular poverty alleviation and sustainable development.
- The Integrated Programme (IP) scheme is aimed at supporting excellent problem-oriented interdisciplinary research to the benefit of development and societal issues in the South. An IP may address developmental and societal issues:
1. In a broad sense, touching upon topics or problem areas that are not covered under the Millennium Development Goals, in which WOTRO especially seeks proposals that go beyond mainstream discourse and practice of development and research for development, or
  2. Fitting into one or more of four themes of WOTRO's thematic framework, inspired by international agendas, notably the UN Millennium Development Goals: (A) Poverty and Hunger; (B) Sustainable Environment; (C) Global Relationships.
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## **New England Biolabs Foundation**

- Deadline** The deadline for applications are March 1st and September 1st. Make a preliminary inquiry to the foundation with a one page letter, a call or e-mail to briefly describing your project.



<b>Amount</b>	The maximum grant size is \$8,000.00
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Grassroots organizations</li> <li>2. Emerging support groups</li> <li>3. Charitable organizations</li> <li>4. Individuals—primarily for small environmental research projects, or those representing a non-profit organization. (subject to the provisions of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.)</li> </ol>
<b>Location</b>	<p>The Foundation is currently ONLY funding international projects located in:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cameroon</li> <li>2. The Caribbean and Madagascar (marine issues only)</li> <li>3. Central America (not Mexico, Costa Rica, Panama or Belize)</li> <li>4. In Guatemala: only environmental education projects for students and/or teachers</li> <li>5. Ghana (environmental projects only)</li> <li>6. Tanzania</li> <li>7. Papua New Guinea</li> <li>8. South America (not Argentina, Brazil, Fr. Guyana, Suriname, Uruguay, Columbia, or Venezuela)</li> </ol>
<b>Summary</b>	<p>NEBF is an independent private foundation started in 1982 by the founder of New England Biolabs, Inc. to support grassroots organizations working with the environment, social change, the arts, elementary education, and science. The Foundation's funding priorities are targeted to environmental issues with special program interests in:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Marine conservation</li> <li>2. Estuary protection</li> <li>3. Sustainable economic development</li> <li>4. Sustainable organic agriculture</li> <li>5. Environmental education for teachers or elementary school students</li> </ol>
<b>Contact</b>	<p>New England Biolabs Foundation, 8 Enon Street #2b, Beverly, MA 01915 USA. Phone: 978-927-2404 Fax: 978-998-6837 All e-mail inquiries should go to Susan Foster: fosters@nebf.org</p>

## **Nippon Foundation**

<b>Deadline</b>	The International Program Department has no deadline. Applications are accepted on a year-round basis.
<b>Amount</b>	Funding is determined on a project by project basis.
<b>Eligibility</b>	The Nippon Foundation provides grants to projects run by non-profit organizations around the world.
<b>Location</b>	Worldwide
<b>Summary</b>	<p>The Nippon Foundation was established in 1962 as a non-profit philanthropic organization, active both in Japan and abroad. Since the beginning, the Foundation's efforts to bolster the domestic development of the island nation of Japan have focused largely on the maritime and shipping fields. In addition, as the years have gone by, they have expanded their activities to include such fields as education, social welfare and public health, both within Japan and in more than one hundred countries to date.</p>
<b>Contact</b>	<p>The Nippon Foundation Akasaka 1-2-2, Minato-ku, Tokyo. Phone: 81-3-6229-5111 E-mail: cc@ps.nippon-foundation.or.jp URL: <a href="http://www.nippon-foundation.or.jp/eng/who/index.html">http://www.nippon-foundation.or.jp/eng/who/index.html</a></p>

## Oak Foundation: Conservation of Marine Environment

<b>Deadline</b>	The Foundation will respond within two months to enquiries, informing the applicant whether there is sufficient interest to pursue the proposal.
<b>Amount</b>	Grants will not be awarded for amounts under US\$25,000 (except in special circumstances). The Foundation will consider requests for funding of special projects, core costs, capital needs, technical assistance, or collaborative activities. Multi-year projects are subject to regular progress reviews.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Not-for-profit organizations. The Foundation seeks leadership projects that meet the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Target root causes</li><li>2. Demonstrate solutions that can be adopted by permanent providers and/or by government</li><li>3. Mobilise financial commitment from a range of different sources</li><li>4. Promote collaboration among organisations and funders</li><li>5. Involve the target population in the planning and implementation of the project</li><li>6. Demonstrate good financial and organisational management.</li></ol>
<b>Location</b>	Worldwide
<b>Summary</b>	<p>Advocating for the protection and sustainable use of marine ecosystems in Europe and the Bering Sea Region and providing direct support for the effective management of marine reserves in Belize. Oak Foundation's Marine Environment Programme focuses on three main areas:</p> <p><b>1. European Marine Conservation</b></p> <p>To ensure that European Fishing fleet practices, in both European waters and abroad, become sustainable and reflect the intent of the European Common Fisheries policy by 2015. In Europe, the Foundation supports policy, consumer education, and research activities that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Reduce and eliminate bycatch and destructive fishing practices</li><li>b. Stop over-fishing by European vessels through ecosystem-based management both in Europe and abroad</li><li>c. Eliminate harmful subsidies</li></ol> <p><b>2. Mesoamerican Reef Eco-Region Conservation</b></p> <p>To develop an ecologically representative network of marine reserves that maintain the health of the barrier reef ecosystem and its wildlife, and that support the food security and sustainable economic development of local coastal communities. In the Mesoamerican Reef Ecosystem, the Foundation supports capacity building, research, communications, policy, advocacy and market-based activities that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Improve marine reserve management effectiveness</li><li>b. Promote sustainable coastal and marine resource management, including sustainable financing</li><li>c. Promote long-term, non-extractive, diverse economic development opportunities for coastal communities</li></ol> <p><b>3. Bering and North Pacific Conservation</b></p> <p>To use ecosystem-based approaches to build socio-ecological resilience and to promote sustainable use and conservation of marine and coastal ecosystems, especially in areas in the US and Canada with high biodiversity and a long-standing cultural heritage. Key geographical areas: Gulf of Alaska, the Bering Sea, the Beaufort Sea and the Chukchi Sea. High priority areas:</p>

- a. To build resilience through sustainable use initiatives that reduce over-fishing and foster community-based stewardship of ocean resources.
- b. To increase marine environmental and subsistence harvest protection from large-scale industrialisation.
- c. To improve ocean governance through integrated management approaches.

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## **OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID): Grant Program**

<b>Deadline</b>	There is no set application deadline. Research grants are approved on an ad hoc basis, while technical assistance proposals are presented at OFID's Governing Board meetings held four times per year. There is no set application deadline. Research grants are approved on an ad hoc basis, while technical assistance proposals are presented at OFID's Governing Board meetings held four times per year.
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	Those eligible are international, national, regional and non-governmental organizations that supply proof of their financial and legal status. Please be advised that individuals, private entities and OFID Member States* are not eligible to apply for assistance. (* Algeria, Gabon, Indonesia, Iraq, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kuwait, GSP Libyan AJ, Nigeria, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela.)
<b>Location</b>	All developing countries, with the exception of OPEC member countries, are in principle eligible for OFID assistance. The least developed countries, however, are accorded higher priority and have consequently attracted the lion's share of OFID's resources. Today, 121 countries from the developing world - Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean, the Middle East and Europe - have benefited from OFID's assistance.
<b>Summary</b>	OFID's key aim is to foster social and economic progress in the developing world through the provision of concessional financing for developing countries. However, OFID's work goes beyond simply dispensing aid; one of its central aims has always been to advance 'South-South' solidarity in every way available to it. It does this by promoting cooperation in many spheres among countries of the developing world. It also does what it can to champion the cause of the developing world in the international arena.

Through its grant window, OFID channels much-needed resources into a wide variety of schemes and activities for which loan assistance is not an option. OFID grants include technical assistance for deserving social causes, funding for research and studies – see below for details - and emergency relief following natural or man-made calamities. In addition to its regular grant program, OFID operates three special accounts: HIV/AIDS, Palestine and Food Aid. OFID has also contributed to the resources of other organizations whose work benefits developing countries.

### **Technical Assistance Grant Operations**

Since OFID's inception, technical assistance operations have constituted its core grants activities. Such grants are extended to national and regional development projects that aim at sustainable development and poverty reduction, and that serve the poorest segments of society, particularly those in

the Least Developed Countries (LDCs). Women and children, especially, are accorded high priority. Technical assistance grants are awarded largely on the basis of the type of project and its expected outcomes, the number of beneficiaries and the recipient country's socio-economic situation.

### **Research and Similar Intellectual Activities**

This type of assistance focuses on activities that increase South-South and North-South cooperation and enhance capacity-building, including human resource development, particularly in the LDCs. A heavy emphasis is placed on research topics and studies of particular relevance to poorer countries and on the advancement of science and technology. Human capital is enhanced through the sponsorship of seminars, training courses and workshops.

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URL: [http://www.ofid.org/projects\\_operations/grant\\_operations.aspx](http://www.ofid.org/projects_operations/grant_operations.aspx)

### **Overbrook Foundation**

**Deadline** As of January 2009, The Overbrook Foundation is no longer accepting unsolicited requests for new project or operating support from organizations not currently funded by the Foundation. However, they remain committed to their primary fields of interest and are eager to hear news from organizations working in those areas of human and rights and the environment presently of priority to the Foundation.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** The Foundation makes grants only to organizations that meet Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3) requirements as nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations or to qualified governmental units or agencies.

**Location** The Foundation supports projects both domestically and internationally (with a particular international focus in Latin America and South Africa).

**Summary** The Overbrook Foundation strives to improve the lives of people by supporting projects that protect human and civil rights, advance the self-sufficiency and well being of individuals and their communities, and conserve the natural environment. In pursuit of its mission, the Foundation advances programs in the Environment and Human Rights.

1. The Foundation's **Environment Program** supports organizations working to develop better consumption and production habits in the United States and in Latin America (currently Brazil, Mexico and Ecuador only). In Latin America the primary objective is to conserve the planet's dwindling biodiversity.

2. The Foundation's **Human Rights Program** investigates and looks to support human rights activism of smaller human rights organizations where activists are at particular risk both domestically and globally (e.g., environmental activists, journalists, Union Organizers, whistle blowers); continues its support of major Human Rights Organizations (domestic and global) who are core providers and, to the extent possible and appropriate, links them to smaller groups. The Foundation works to link together its focus on reproductive rights, LGBT rights, reproductive health, HIV, trafficking of people and other issues of sexuality. In doing so, it seeks to advance support for gender rights and to eliminate discrimination and marginalization based on gender.

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## **Packard, David and Lucille Foundation: Conservation and Science Program**

**Deadline** Varies by subprogram  
**Amount** The Foundation has a total grantmaking budget of approximately \$276 million for 2009.  
**Eligibility** The Foundation accepts grant proposals only for charitable, educational, or scientific purposes, primarily from tax-exempt, charitable organizations.  
**Location** Varies by subprogram. See "Summary"  
**Summary** The Foundation invests in and take smart risks with innovative people and organizations to improve the lives of children, enable the creative pursuit of science, advance reproductive health, and conserve and restore earth's natural systems. The Conservation and Science Program is focused on the challenge of sustainability, finding paths for human progress that protect and restore the ecological systems upon which all life depends. The Foundation invest in action and in ideas. They support public policy reforms and changes in private sector practices. They also support scientific activities to develop essential knowledge and tools for addressing current and future priorities.

### **1. Marine Fisheries**

The long-term goals of the Marine Fisheries subprogram are effective management of fisheries, an end to overfishing, and the elimination of destructive fishing practices. Recent grants:

a. \$550,000 awarded to Ashoka ([www.ashoka.org](http://www.ashoka.org)) to undertake Phase II of a design systems solutions for sustainable fisheries.

Location: Arlington, Virginia. Award Term: 3 months

b. \$45,000 awarded to the Board of Trustees of the Leland Stanford, Jr. University ([www.stanford.edu](http://www.stanford.edu)) to continue science-based research of the environmental impacts of aquaculture to inform the current policy debate

Location: Stanford, California. Award Term: 5 months

### **2. Coastal Systems**

The Coastal Systems grantmaking seeks to promote sustainability in coastal systems in three specific geographic regions: the California Coast, the Gulf of California, and the Western Pacific.

### **3. Marine Birds**

The Marine Birds subprogram is committed to reversing the decline of selected seabird and shorebird populations, particularly through efforts to restore critical island and near shore habitats, and by reducing mortality through the reduction of bycatch.

### **4. Science**

The Science subprogram seeks to support use-inspired marine research, improve the linkages between science and decision making, and support science-focused ecosystem-based management for coastal-marine systems.

## 5. Climate

The goal of the Climate subprogram is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change by supporting energy policy reforms and research in the United States and internationally, and by supporting work to slow tropical deforestation.

## 6. Agriculture

The agriculture subprogram seeks to achieve a 20 percent reduction by 2020 in projected net greenhouse gas emissions and nitrogen pollution caused by agriculture in the United States and biofuel production globally.

## 7. Western Conservation

The Western Conservation subprogram was created with the goal of protecting and restoring biologically important and iconic regions of Western North America in ways which help create sustainable communities and build broader and more effective conservation constituencies.

## 8. Fellowships for Science and Engineering

The Fellowship for Science and Engineering Program supports promising university-based researchers early in their careers.

## 9. Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute

The Foundation supports cutting-edge research and development at this world-class oceanography research center.

## 10. Conservation and Science—Other

These directed funds allow for flexibility to address strategic opportunities and priorities identified by program staff.

For deadlines, and other details, see here: URL:

<http://www.packard.org/categoryList.aspx?RootCatID=3&CategoryID=61>

### Contact

The David and Lucile Packard Foundation, 300 Second Street, Los Altos, California 94022 USA. Tel (650) 948-7658 E-mail: [inquiries@packard.org](mailto:inquiries@packard.org)  
URL: <http://www.packard.org/home.aspx>

## PADI Foundation

**Deadline** To apply to the Foundation for funds, please submit a three-page application no later than February 15, 2010.

**Amount** In 2010, the Foundation expects to award a total of approximately \$180,000 and will consider proposals with budgets up to \$20,000 although the average for proposals will be on the order of \$5,000 to \$10,000. The Foundation will not fund overhead or other indirect expenses.

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** The PADI Foundation encourages and supports underwater science, environmental projects, and education. The Foundation will fund and assist worthwhile projects that will enrich mankind's understanding of the aquatic environment and encourage sensitivity to and protection of the delicate ecological balance of underwater life. The Foundation will also fund worthwhile projects to increase understanding of sport diving physics and physiology that will benefit the general diving public and add to the scientific understanding of man's relationship and ability to survive in the underwater



environment. The PADI Foundation is an IRC Section 501 (c)(3) non-profit, tax exempt organization. It is a separate and distinct organization, corporately unrelated to PADI, Inc. and its affiliates, but funded through International PADI, Inc.

Samples of projects funded in 2009:

1. Stella Maris Januario da Silva (USD 4,500)  
“Coexistence mechanisms of intertidal crabs competing for refuges: local processes and regional variation”
2. Camila Granados, M.Sc. (USD 3,300)  
Free-living Symbiodinium: still an unknown habitat for the symbiont of reef corals
3. Benno Pereira PhD (USD) 5,000  
“Miss Kerala' on the edge: assessing population and harvest levels for developing conservation plans for an endemic and endangered cyprinid, *Puntius denisonii* (Day) in the rivers of Western Ghats, Kerala, India”
4. Christopher Goatley (USD 4,308.20)  
“Variation in sediment mediation of reef fish herbivory”
5. Aisling Brady (USD3,775.00)  
“Coral Spawning Synchronicity: The Role of Circadian Genes in Circalunar Rhythms”

**Contact** PADI Foundation, 9150 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 300, Beverly Hills, California 90212-3414. Facsimile (310) 859-1430 URL: <http://www.padifoundation.org/>

### **PepsiCo Foundation**

**Deadline** PepsiCo Foundation is currently undergoing significant revision of its global grant investment strategy and is currently not accepting applications.

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** Pepsico's underlying approach is to achieve the greatest impact by focusing on the fundamental needs of underserved populations worldwide benefitting the most impoverished people and communities.

**Contact** PepsiCo, Inc., 700 Anderson Hill Road, Purchase, NY 10577, Tel: (914) 253-2000. URL: <http://www.pepsico.com/Purpose/Corporate-Contributions/Grant-Application.aspx>

### **Pew Charitable Trusts: Pew Fellows Program in Marine Conservation**

**Deadline** Fellowships applications are by nomination only.

**Amount** Each Pew Fellow is awarded a \$150,000 grant, allocated over three years, to complete an original, research-based marine conservation project.

**Eligibility** Pew Marine Conservation Fellowships are targeted to mid-career professionals whose future contributions to marine conservation will be significantly enhanced by receiving a Pew Fellowship.

**Location** Includes United States, Europe, Australia, and Antarctica.

**Summary** The prestigious Pew Fellowship in Marine Conservation is annually awarded to five outstanding global leaders or teams who are working to preserve and protect the world's oceans and marine species. Designed to promote innovative work, the Pew Fellowship provides flexible support and encourages creative, interdisciplinary approaches to the preservation of marine systems.

Pew Fellowships support projects that are designed to contribute to marine conservation research, enhance leadership capacity, support outreach, promote conservation education and inform policy decision-making. Communication and outreach that support improved policies and action for the global environment are at the core of every Pew Fellow's project.

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### **Philip Morris International (PMI)**

**Deadline** NA  
**Amount** In 2008, their charitable contributions totaled approximately \$20 million.  
**Eligibility** NA  
**Location** NA  
**Summary** Philip Morris International (PMI) supports initiatives in local communities where their employees live and work as well as from where they source their tobacco, with the objective of addressing key societal issues. They focus their giving mainly in the fields of human and social needs, agriculture and the environment, hunger relief and domestic violence.

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### **Poverty and Economic Policy (PEP) Research Network: The Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS) International Network**

**Deadline** The dates of PEP's next call for proposals and general meeting will be announced in the Fall of 2009

**Amount** The CBMS Network provides funding of up to US\$ 50,000 to national or local institutions in developing countries for varying phases of CBMS work. Support provided to CBMS research partners extends to their participation in various PEP-organized capacity-building workshops as well as in international policy fora and conferences, dissemination of country project findings in PEP publications and website, and peer-review of on-going research work.

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** To date, the Network has facilitated the development and implementation of CBMS in about 12 countries covering Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Pakistan, Philippines and Vietnam in Asia, and Benin, Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania and Zambia. Moreover, the Network had also supported the dissemination of related CBMS initiatives under other IDRC national projects in Burkina Faso, Senegal, Nepal, and Sri Lanka.

**Summary** The Community-Based Monitoring System (CBMS) Network is part of the Poverty and Economic Policy (PEP) Network supported by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) Canada through its Globalization, Growth and Poverty (GGP) Initiative, and by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

CBMS is one of the tools developed in the early 1990s to provide policymakers and program implementers with a good information base for tracking the impacts of macroeconomic reforms and various policy shocks. It is an organized way of collecting information at the local level for use of local government units, national government agencies, non-government organizations, civil society and development partner agencies for planning, program implementation and monitoring.

CBMS attempts to build and strengthen the capacity of planners and program implementers at the national and local levels for an improved and more transparent system of resource allocation and governance. A major objective of CBMS is to assist in poverty reduction. In so doing, there are other corollary benefits achieved like building the capacities of local government units, increasing gender equity, and eliciting early warning signs of crisis.

The CBMS Network of PEP helps researchers in partnership with national and/or local stakeholders to develop, pilot-test, and institutionalize a community-based poverty monitoring systems in developing countries. Current priority research themes are:

1. New CBMS methodologies and instruments
2. Poverty diagnosis through CBMS
3. Program and project impact analysis
4. Use of CBMS for Program Targeting
5. Improving local governance through CBMS
6. Gender responsive budgeting
7. Localizing the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)

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Tel. No: (632) 5262067 or 5238888 loc. 274 Fax No: (632) 5262067  
URL: <http://www.pep-net.org/NEW-PEP/index.html>

## **Poverty Reduction and Environmental Management (PREM)**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** Funding for all participants over the entire length of the project should not exceed €100,000 (approx. USD 144,000). This includes travel and other associated expenses. As a general rule, the budget will be divided more or less equally between the developing world partner and the developed world researchers. Preference will be given to less expensive research projects that can be completed over the course of one year.

**Eligibility** The ideal candidate for the PREM programme fits the following description: PREM does not aim to convert non-economists to environmental economists because they lack the required economic fundamentals. Furthermore, PREM is not looking to support well-established senior environmental economists that are already highly competent in environmental economics. PREM targets the enthusiastic (younger) economist who is eager to gain experience in the field of environmental economics. The applicant should be part of a larger organisation (e.g. university, research institution or NGO), and should have a specific research interest, but should not be heavily constrained by bureaucratic procedures.

<b>Location</b>	Africa (Ethiopia, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Zambia, South Africa) and Asia (Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka, Mongolia, Nepal, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Philippines). In principle, PREM does not fund researchers from the eligible countries that live abroad, with the exception of Southern researchers that need to spend short periods of time (i.e. maximum of two months) in foreign countries to acquire skills/knowledge for the purpose of the PREM project.
<b>Summary</b>	The main objective of the PREM programme is to deepen and broaden the exposure of economic researchers and policy advisors in developing countries to the theory and methods of natural resource and environmental economics. It is envisaged that this exposure will, in turn, encourage effective policy change in developing countries, with the joint goals of poverty reduction and sustainable environmental management. By strengthening the research capacity of developing countries, the PREM programme aims to provide more evidence in support of the poverty-environment link.

A new goal of the PREM programme is to specifically contribute to the poverty reduction strategies as defined in the Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers (PRSP) of the participant countries. As key instruments of (sub)national planning within a country, PRSPs can be very important in reducing poverty while maintaining or improving environmental quality. In order to provide a better understanding of certain aspects of the poverty-environment nexus, several priority themes have been selected. These include:

1. Inequality, gender and the environment
2. International Trade, Finance and the Environment
3. Economy-wide Policies and Sustainable Development
4. Valuation and Evaluation of Environmental Benefits
5. Market-Based Incentives for Sustainable Resource Management

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### **Ramsar Convention on Wetlands: Ramsar Small Grants Fund**

<b>Deadline</b>	The last deadline was 30 June 2009.
<b>Amount</b>	From 1991 to 2007 the Fund has provided a total of 7.3 million Swiss Francs to 217 projects from 104 countries, providing up to 40,000 Swiss francs (about US\$32,000) per project.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Projects may be proposed and implemented by any agency, NGO, or individual, but proposals MUST be endorsed and monitored by the Administrative Authority (the Ramsar implementing agency) in the Party's government.
<b>Location</b>	Restricted to countries on the List of Aid Recipients established by the Development Assistance Committee (DAC) of the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), effectively meaning developing countries and countries with economies in transition.
<b>Summary</b>	The Convention on Wetlands, signed in Ramsar, Iran, in 1971, is an intergovernmental treaty which provides the framework for national action and international cooperation for the conservation and wise use of wetlands and their resources. There are presently 159 Contracting Parties to the Convention, with 1847 wetland sites, totaling 181 million hectares, designated for inclusion

in the Ramsar List of Wetlands of International Importance. The Convention's mission is the conservation and wise use of all wetlands through local and national actions and international cooperation, as a contribution towards achieving sustainable development throughout the world.

The Ramsar Small Grants Fund (SGF) was established in 1990 as a mechanism to assist developing countries and those with economies in transition in implementing the Convention and to enable the conservation and wise use of wetland resources. Suitable project proposals are those which contribute to the implementation of the Convention's Strategic Plan 2003-2008 for the conservation and wise use of wetlands; provide emergency assistance for Ramsar sites; or provide 'preparatory assistance' to allow non-Contracting Parties to progress toward accession.

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URL: [http://www.ramsar.org/sgf/key\\_sgf\\_index.htm](http://www.ramsar.org/sgf/key_sgf_index.htm)

### **Right Sharing of World Resources (RSWR)**

**Deadline** RSWR has two funding cycles. There is a deadline for each cycle, June 30 and December 31. RSWR strongly recommends that proposals be received at least a month in advance of these deadlines.

**Amount** Up to \$US 5,000 per year, for a maximum of five years. Often, however, three years is the upper limit.

**Eligibility** RSWR is particularly interested in funding new, small, grassroots organizations, especially those which are women-led.

**Location** RSWR focuses its funding in south India (Tamil Nadu and the districts of Chittoor, Cuddapah, Anantapur, and Nellore in Andhra Pradesh in India); Sierra Leone; and members of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in the developing world.

**Summary** RSWR is a Quaker organization supported by the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in the United States. RSWR has two main goals:

1. Provide grants to new, small grassroots organizations in the developing world
2. Help Quakers in the United States learn about the negative effects of poverty in the developing world and the negative effects of materialism in North America

RSWR's grant making work focuses on the cultural, social and economic empowerment of impoverished persons. In their experience this is best accomplished in two areas: sustainable agriculture and implementation of microenterprise, self-employment projects. Some project samples includes:

1. Centre for Rural Education and Development - India
2. Rafiki Mwema Women's Group - Kenya
3. Tamaraneh Farmers Development - Sierra Leone

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### **Rio Tinto Prize for Sustainability**

*Formerly known as the the Alcan Prize for Sustainability*

**Deadline** Please check the website for the closing date.

<b>Amount</b>	There will be one Rio Tinto Prize winner each year. Winners of the Prize are encouraged to generate and leverage additional resources to fulfill their goals. The annual US\$1M Rio Tinto Prize is paid in three instalments over a three year time period agreed in consultation with the winner. In addition to the US\$1M Prize, nine training grants worth US\$15,000 each, are awarded to the other short listed organisations to invest in agreed capacity building, and training and development opportunities.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Any not-for-profit, civil society or non-government organisation with a focus on sustainable development, with any number of employees and volunteers, and located anywhere in the world can apply for the Prize. The Prize welcomes entries from small, medium and large organisations that have been incorporated and operating for a minimum of five years (ie. since 1st January 2003).
<b>Location</b>	No restrictions
<b>Summary</b>	In 2007, Rio Tinto acquired Alcan and in doing so, adopted the US\$1M Prize for Sustainability. The Prize is designed to recognise the importance of all sectors of society in working together to contribute towards society's sustainable development. The Rio Tinto Prize for Sustainability, as it will be known from 1 January 2009, will complement Rio Tinto's existing engagement programmes and initiatives during its nine-year life (2004-2013).
	<p>The Rio Tinto Prize for Sustainability aims to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recognise and reward not-for-profit, civil society and non-government organisations that make a significant contribution to addressing economic, environmental and social sustainability.</li> <li>2. Raise awareness of local, regional, national and international not-for-profit, civil society and non-government organisations engaged in sustainable development related activities.</li> <li>3. Foster a legacy of sustainability by supporting the work of Prize and grant recipients and enhancing their ability to build capacity and have further impact.</li> <li>4. Communicate sustainability practices and programmes by promoting examples provided in Prize entries.</li> </ol>
<b>Contact</b>	The International Business Leaders Forum (IBLF) is the managing partner for the Rio Tinto Prize for Sustainability. Telephone: +44 (0)20 7467 3600 Email: <a href="mailto:prizeforsustainability@riotinto.com">prizeforsustainability@riotinto.com</a> URL: <a href="http://www.alcanprizeforsustainability.com/default.asp">http://www.alcanprizeforsustainability.com/default.asp</a>

## **Rockefeller Foundation**

<b>Deadline</b>	Application is through the submission of an online form. There is no deadline. See here for details: <a href="http://www.rockfound.org/grants/grants.shtml">http://www.rockfound.org/grants/grants.shtml</a>
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	Experts, innovators, non-governmental organizations and associations, interested individuals and public officials
<b>Location</b>	Within the United States and internationally
<b>Summary</b>	The work of the Rockefeller Foundation for the 21st Century is to enable 'smart globalization.' It attempts to harness the creative forces of globalization to ensure that the tools and technologies that have significantly improved the human condition in many parts of the world during the past half century are accessible today to more people, more fully, in more places.



**1. Repairing weak, outmoded health systems** - making modern health systems stronger, more affordable, and more accessible in poor and vulnerable communities.

**2. Building resilience to environmental degradation and climate change** - developing plans and products to protect those with the fewest means from an imperiled environment and warming global climate.

**3. Addressing the risks of accelerating urbanization** - shaping efforts in planning, finance, infrastructure, and governance to manage a world in which, for the first time in history, more people live in urban communities than rural ones.

**4. Reweaving frayed social contracts** - reinforcing American workers' social and economic security, reimagining the regulatory framework that governs our economy, and reinvigorating the notion of citizenship.

**5. Easing basic survival insecurities** - supporting sustainable efforts to provide nutrition, water, health care, and shelter, the basic building blocks of increased labor and land productivity and economic growth.

#### **6. The Rockefeller Foundation: A New York Citizen**

New York inspires and informs an active appreciation for and investment in the strength of cities around the world. While the Rockefeller Foundation may fix its eyes and lend its hands globally, they also exercise an unwavering commitment to civic responsibility in their hometown.

#### **7. Nurturing an Enabling Environment for Philanthropic Work**

To generate enduring, self-perpetuating impact, the Rockefeller Foundation for the 21st Century is committed to nurturing the preconditions that enable its work — and others' work — to take hold and flourish.

**Contact** URL: <http://www.rockfound.org/index.shtml>

### **Rolex Awards: The Young Laureates Programme**

**Deadline** Rolex will invite a range of institutions, organizations and individuals to nominate potential candidates in early 2009. Those who accept the nomination will complete an application form and, in early 2010, an independent jury will select five Young Laureates with strong potential to advance human knowledge and well-being.

**Amount** The Awards provide financial support – US\$50,000 over two years – to advance each person's project. Rolex will also promote the winners through international media coverage. The Young Laureates will become active members in the Rolex community of innovators, taking advice from former Laureates and Associate Laureates, and, in turn, passing on their knowledge to other young people.

**Eligibility** Candidates must be between 18 and 30 years old when the Award is presented and need to have bright, feasible ideas with potential social or scientific benefits. All candidates must be nominated and cannot apply directly

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** Established in 1976 to foster a spirit of individual enterprise around the world, the Rolex Awards recognise pioneering projects that demonstrate innovative

thought and contribute to the betterment of humankind. The inaugural Rolex Awards commemorated the 50th anniversary of the Oyster chronometer, the world's first waterproof watch, and were created to encourage individuals ready to take on major challenges to benefit humankind and the environment.

Rolex is launching this year the Young Laureates Programme to foster innovation in the next generation. The programme will seek out budding pioneers and provide them with funding and encouragement to implement their original ideas and gain the experience to become tomorrow's leaders. The programme rewards creativity in five areas: science and health, applied technology, exploration, the environment and cultural preservation. The young Laureates will be announced in April 2010.

The Young Laureates Programme complements the original Rolex Awards for Enterprise, it does not replace it: the two variations of the programme will thus alternate on a two-yearly basis. The original Awards for Enterprise will resume with the 2012 series for which application forms will be available in mid-2010.

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E-mail: [secretariat@rolexawards.com](mailto:secretariat@rolexawards.com)  
URL: <http://rolexawards.com/en/index.jsp>

### **Royal Caribbean International: The Ocean Fund**

**Deadline** The Ocean Fund Award selection process is by invitation only. Emails of inquiry may be sent to [OceanFund@rccl.com](mailto:OceanFund@rccl.com) with a short description of the organization's history, mission, programs and link to their website within the body of the email (attachments will not be reviewed).

**Amount** Annual grants typically average between \$25,000 and \$50,000. Grants are made for one calendar year only.

**Eligibility** Nonprofit groups and institutions conducting activities directly related to marine conservation.

**Location** NA

**Summary** Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd., which operates Royal Caribbean International, Celebrity Cruises and Azamara Cruises, established the Ocean Fund in 1996 to support marine conservation organizations in conserving the world's oceans. The mission of the Ocean Fund is to support efforts to restore and maintain a healthy marine environment, minimize the impact of human activity on this environment, and promote awareness of ocean and coastal issues and respect for marine life.

Ocean Fund grants are made annually to a variety of nonprofit groups and institutions conducting activities directly related to marine conservation. These activities cover ocean science and conservation projects that relate to climate change, key marine species, technology and targeted education of Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. stakeholders and communities. Over \$10 million has been awarded to organizations since the fund's inception.

**Contact** E-mail: [OceanFund@rccl.com](mailto:OceanFund@rccl.com) URL: <http://www.royalcaribbean.com/ourCompany/environment/oceanFund.do>

## The Royal Society: Pfizer Award

<b>Deadline</b>	The last deadline was 23 February 2009.
<b>Amount</b>	£60,000 (approx. USD 101,000) will be awarded as a grant in order for the recipient to carry out a research project that is linked to an African centre of scientific excellence, which would normally be a University, or equivalent research centre. The grant is intended to cover the costs of the research project except from the awardees own salary. A further £5,000 (approx. USD 8,000) will be given as a prize to the recipient.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The award candidates must be based in Africa with PhD status.</li><li>2. The prize is intended for candidates at an early stage of their research career.</li><li>3. The award is normally made to one individual.</li></ol>
<b>Location</b>	Africa
<b>Summary</b>	This prestigious international award, sponsored by Pfizer Ltd, is designed to reward scientists, based in Africa, at the outset of their career and to promote science capacity building in the developing world. The award will recognise a research scientist, at an early stage of their research career, who is making an innovative contribution to the biological sciences, including basic medical science, which contributes significantly to capacity building in Africa. The 2008 Royal Society Pfizer award was awarded to Dr Enock Matovu, Makerere University, Uganda. In recognition of his work on molecular mechanisms of drug resistance in trypanosomes that cause sleeping sickness in Africa.
<b>Contact</b>	The Royal Society, 6-9 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG. Tel: +44 (0)20 7451 2500 Fax: +44 (0)20 7930 2170 URL: <a href="http://royalsociety.org/page.asp?tip=1&amp;id=4215">http://royalsociety.org/page.asp?tip=1&amp;id=4215</a>

## Rufford Small Grants Foundation: Rufford Small Grants (RSG) for Nature Conservation

<b>Deadline</b>	Applications can be made at any time of the year and these are reviewed once all references have been received. The applications are assessed and decisions are usually made within three months. There are no interviews.
<b>Amount</b>	A grant of up to £6,000 (approx. USD10,000) available for nature conservation projects. The project should generally be approximately 12-18 months duration
<b>Eligibility</b>	Individuals or small groups; and projects outside the first world.
<b>Location</b>	Non "first world" countries.
<b>Summary</b>	Rufford Small Grants for Nature Conservation (RSGs) are aimed at small conservation programmes and pilot projects. Five different grants are offered.

On successful completion of a RSG, having provided satisfactory feedback and a final report, applicants are welcome to apply for a second RSG and then a Rufford Booster Grant. For the **2nd Rufford Small Grant**, a further grant of up to £6,000 is available for nature conservation projects. The eligibility criteria remains the same as for first grant. It is possible to apply for a **Rufford Booster Grant** upon successful usage of a 1st and 2nd Rufford Small Grant. A Booster Grant is generally up to £12,000 (approx. USD20,000).

From 2009, the Foundation is offering substantial continuation funding for projects which have completed the stages outlined above. Note that these grants are only payable through a conduit organisation, and not to individuals. A **Continuation Grant** is available only upon completion of a Booster Grant. A **Completion Grant** is available only after the Continuation Grant. Both the

Continuation Grant and the Completion Grant pay to to £25,000 (approx. USD42,000).

**Contact** URL: <http://www.ruffordsmallgrants.org/rsg/>

### **Samuel Rubin Foundation**

**Deadline** Application deadlines are the first Friday in January, September, and May.

**Amount** The majority of the Foundation's grants are in the \$5-10,000 range.

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** There are no geographic limitations.

**Summary** The Foundation's general purpose is to carry on the vision of its founder, Samuel Rubin (1901-1978), whose life was dedicated to the pursuit of peace and justice and the search for an equitable reallocation of the world's resources. The Foundation believes that these objectives can be achieved only through the fullest implementation of social, economic, political, civil and cultural rights for all the worlds' people. Applications are accepted for general operating expenses as well as for specific projects within an organization.

**Contact** Ms. Lauranne Jones, Grants Administrator, Samuel Rubin Foundation, 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, New York 10017-3521.

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URL: <http://www.samuelrubinfoundation.org/index.html>

### **SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund**

**Deadline** All grant applications for each year's granting session are due by December 1 of the prior year.

**Amount** The Fund has no set minimum or maximum grant amount. In the past, however, the Fund has supported projects ranging from \$5,000 to \$25,000 for a one-year term. They encourage organizations to simultaneously seek additional funding from other sources if necessary to complete the objectives of the project. The Fund will consider multi-year proposals.

**Eligibility** The Fund accepts online applications from 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations based in the U.S., non-U.S. based non-profit organizations, governmental entities, accredited universities and research centers, and AZA- or AMMPA-accredited institutions.

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** For more than 40 years, the Worlds of Discovery – better known as SeaWorld, Busch Gardens and Discovery Cove – have initiated and supported wildlife conservation, research and education at home and around the world. The SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund focuses its resources in four strategic areas: Species Research, Habitat Protection, Animal Rescue and Rehabilitation, and Conservation Education. Since its launch, the Fund has granted \$5 million to more than 350 projects in 60 countries. The Fund's grantees are diverse, including global organizations such as World Wildlife Fund, The Nature Conservancy, and Conservation International along with smaller, grassroots organizations.

**Contact** SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund, 423 Lynch St., Building 260-2, St. Louis, MO 63118 E-mail: [mail@swbgfund.org](mailto:mail@swbgfund.org)

URL: <http://www.swbg-conservationfund.org/grantInfo.htm>

### **The Seed Initiative**

**Deadline** Applications for the 2009 SEED Awards are now closed. The next call for

Amount	proposals will launch in January 2010. Unlike most other competitions, the SEED Award does not carry a money prize. Instead a range of services, support and connections are offered through SEED's Support Programme, to give Award Winners every prospect of success.
Eligibility	SEED welcomes innovative ideas from any group in a developing country or country in transition, which is working in partnership with others to generate environmental and social benefits in an entrepreneurial way. SEED's International Jury selects Award Winners which have the potential to contribute towards the internationally agreed goals of the UN's Millennium Declaration and/or the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation. SEED Award Winners must be: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Demonstrating entrepreneurship and innovation</li> <li>2. Supporting sustainable development</li> <li>3. Able to become financially sustainable</li> <li>4. A partnership between different stakeholder groups</li> <li>5. Locally driven</li> <li>6. Able to grow or replicate significantly</li> <li>7. In the early stages of implementation</li> <li>8. In a country with a developing or emerging economy</li> </ol>
Location Summary	Developing country or country in transition. The SEED Initiative identifies, profiles and supports promising, locally-driven, start-up enterprises working in partnership in developing countries to improve livelihoods, tackle poverty and marginalisation, and manage natural resources sustainably. SEED develops learning resources for the broad community of social and environmental entrepreneurs, informs policy- and decision-makers, and aims to inspire innovative, entrepreneurial approaches to sustainable development.

The SEED Awards for Entrepreneurship in Sustainable Development is an annual international competition, designed to support locally-led, innovative, entrepreneurial partnerships in developing countries which have the potential to make real improvements in poverty eradication and environmental sustainability.

The SEED Awards recognize and reward two levels of winners:

**1. Award Winners** which are announced every year at the United Nations Commission for Sustainable Development in New York. They are publicized and profiled through SEED's network and receive business and partnership support services, worth US\$5,000, to help connect them with potential partners and funders.

**2. Gold Award Winners** selected from the Award Winners, which receive additional business and partnership support services over a period of up to 12 months, to help them scale up. The services are worth US\$35,000, of which US\$25,000 is managed directly by the Winner. The nature of the support services is developed jointly with each Winner, responding to the needs that they identify. SEED then helps to locate or provide those services, drawing on local sources wherever possible. In addition to receiving support services, Gold Award Winners are celebrated at SEED Awards ceremonies in their home countries.

**Contact** The 2009 Awards are managed by Adelphi Consult, based in Berlin, Germany. Adelphi Consult, Caspar-Theysss-Str. 14A, 14193 Berlin, Germany. Phone: +49-30-89 000 68-0 Fax: +49-30-89 000 68-10 Email: office@adelphi-consult.com URL: <http://www.seedinit.org/about-the-seed-awards/index.html>

### **Shared Earth Foundation**

**Deadline** The Foundation will acknowledge the request for funding (by submitting a one-page pre-application) within one month, and respond within two months with a request for a full proposal, or declination. The Foundation will make grant decisions by December 15 of each year.

**Amount** The Foundation will fund a few applications for projects only, in the \$5,000 to \$10,000 range. It will be willing to entertain requests for the full range of assistance in future years.

**Eligibility** Primarily small organizations working in the natural and political worlds.

**Location** US and abroad

**Summary** The Shared Earth Foundation is committed to the tenet that all creatures have an enduring claim to sustainable space on this planet. It believes that today's human beings have the responsibility to share Earth's resources with other creatures and future generations by limiting their adverse impact on the planet, and by enriching and protecting Earth's wild life and the places they inhabit. To this end, the Foundation will fund organizations that promote protection and restoration of habitat for the broadest possible biodiversity, which foster respect for other species and individual creatures, which work to limit detrimental human impact on the planet, and which further the inherent right of all creatures to share the Earth.

Sample grants for 2007:

1. Adkins Arboretum, Ridgely, MD \$13,000.00

Programs to promote stewardship of the land, and appreciation for the Eastern Shore's natural heritage.

2. African Wildlife Foundation, Washington, DC \$20,000.00

Continuation of GIS work leading to, for example, establishment of a Faunal Reserve in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, refuge for bonobos and other rare animals.

3. Alliance for International Reforestation, DeLand, FL, Chimaltenango, Guatemala \$10,000.00

Continuation of work in Guatemala, working with communities in the flooddamaged area of Atitlan.

**Contact** The Shared Earth Foundation, 113 Hoffman Lane, Chestertown, MD 21620 URL: <http://www.shareearth.org/index.html>

### **Siemenpuu Foundation**

**Deadline** Please note that the Foundation do not accept funding applications on continuous basis. Open application opportunities are announced when available.

**Amount** In 2008, the average amount of funding has been approximately 18,965 euros (approx. USD 27,000) per project.

**Eligibility** Project funds are granted to registered civil society organisations and networks of organisations, NGOs, community groups and research institutes in the South promoting:



	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ecological and cultural diversity</li> <li>2. Global social justice</li> <li>3. Democratisation of societies and global decision-making structures.</li> </ol>
<b>Location</b>	Currently the Foundation's support is focused on Mali, India, Indonesia, the Mekong Region and Latin America. In these geographic areas the project funding is channelled through seven cooperation programmes, each working on different environmental themes. In addition, some projects are funded in other countries on a case by case basis.
<b>Summary</b>	The Siemenpuu Foundation was founded in 1998 by 15 Finnish non-governmental organisations (NGOs) or foundations working with questions linked to the environment and development. It supports civil society organisations in developing countries working for ecological democracy, environmental protection and prevention of environmental threats.

The financial support granted by the Foundation is channelled directly to NGOs and their networks, social movements and research institutes operating and based in developing countries. In addition to targeting environmental concerns, the supported activities aim at empowering local communities, strengthening people's responsibility in creating ecologically and socially sustainable practices as well as building a strong civil society.

The Siemenpuu Foundation has defined a set of general and administrative criteria, which concern all projects supported as well as all their implementing organisations:

**1. Ownership and empowerment of the beneficiaries**

- a. The activities should strengthen the target group culturally, financially, environmentally and/or politically
- b. The measures taken ought to be planned and implemented primarily by the beneficiaries themselves and be based on local knowledge and expertise
- c. Priority is given to grassroots-centred and broad-based organisations and projects

**2. Impact on the regional / national / international policies and decision-making**

- a. Activities should aim at advancing citizens' possibilities for political participation and making political decision-making more democratic and transparent
- b. The work should promote networking and co-operation between civil society organisations
- c. Priority is given to projects that have some pilot properties and that promote innovative approaches.

**3. Rights of marginalised groups**

- a. Siemenpuu Foundation wants to support people in the South to give stronger voices to communities working for biological and cultural diversity,
- b. Emphasis is given to projects that promote gender equality, indigenous rights and/or the position of disadvantaged groups.

**4. Sustainability**

- a. The activities should be planned taking into account the long-term social, environmental and economic functionality of the created structures.

b. It should be possible to replicate the attained results using local resources and expertise.

The thematic focus areas chosen for 2005 – 2008 were:

1. Lobbying and information-sharing on environmental issues
2. Promotion of ecological democracy in forest and forest land issues

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Tel +358-9-27 22 336, Fax +358-9-622 718 92 E-mail: info(at)siemenpuu.org  
URL: [http://www.siemenpuu.org/english/project\\_funding/](http://www.siemenpuu.org/english/project_funding/)

## Social Science Research Council (SSRC)

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Africa, East Asia, Eurasia, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, Middle East and North Africa, South Asia, and Southeast Asia.

**Summary** The SSRC builds interdisciplinary intellectual networks to address global changes. They bring varied perspectives to bear on crucial issues and mobilize inclusive and informed publics based in multiple geographical locations. In this way, these activities promote international collaboration. International collaboration operates as a “strategic emphasis” that crosscuts, and integrates with, Council-wide programmatic areas, projects and activities, while also moving the Council’s regional programs into a new generation of research and scholarship. This is achieved through:

1. Organizing collaborative research on regional, cross-regional and global issues,
2. Facilitating and evaluating cooperation amongst institutions, centers and social science donors to enable international collaboration,
3. Developing training and exchange activities that promote research collaboration.

**Cross-regional & Global Issues** Citizenship and Belonging, Global Studies of Discrimination, Inter-Asian Connections, Social Sciences and the Environment, and Words in Motion.

### Social Sciences and the Environment

SSE seeks to mobilize regional and context-specific knowledge from the social sciences to bear on environmental questions of adaptation, indigenous knowledge, development, health, and the study of policy instruments. The initiative deploys a range of mechanisms, including roundtable discussions, conferences, working group events, and publications. Online resources and tools will also be used to bring social scientists into necessary dialogues with natural scientists and with a wide variety of stakeholders (journalists, policy-makers, engineers and professionals).

SSE is organized around four project areas:

- 1. China Environment and Health (CEH)** aims to identify areas in which multi and interdisciplinary research about environmentally-related threats to human health is needed in order to better inform policy and practice in China.
- 2. The Social Science of Climate Change (SSCC)** brings knowledge and contributions from the social sciences to contemporary global warming

debates, stressing adaptation in a variety of site-specific contexts.

**3. Environmental Risk and Disaster Management (ERDM)** includes efforts to understand the social dimensions and costs of environmental disasters.

**4. Sustainable Cities (SC)** in partnership with Van Alen Institute in New York, supports collaborative research linking architectural practice and the social sciences in the development of sustainable urban spaces.

The SSRC currently offers two fellowships in the field: the SSRC-VAI New York Prize Fellowship in Sustainable Cities and the Social Sciences; and the Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship field, Human Dimensions of Global Environmental Change.

**Contact** Social Science Research Council - One Pierrepoint Plaza, 15th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201 USA. Phone: 212.377.2700 Fax: 212.377.2727  
E-mail: [info@ssrc.org](mailto:info@ssrc.org) URL: <http://www.ssrc.org/>

### Southern Africa Trust

**Deadline** Look out for the next call for proposals on the “calls for proposals” page in the “grants” section of this website.

**Amount** There are no restrictions on the total cost of programmes. However, the maximum grant applied for from the Southern Africa Trust must be within the limits set by the specific call for proposals from the Trust.

**Eligibility** In order to be eligible for a grant, applicant organisations or lead organisations in an alliance/coalition/network with other organisations must:

1. Be a civil society organisation/ alliance/coalition/network rooted and governed in the southern African region; and
2. Be willing to enter into a partnership agreement with the Southern Africa Trust; and
3. Be engaged in programmes that have a southern African regional impact on policies related to poverty reduction.

**Location** Only programmes whose terrain of activity is within the southern African region or whose activities will have a direct impact on the southern African region will be eligible.

**Summary** The Southern Africa Trust provides grants in a targeted manner that promotes regional civil society integration and strengthens the impact of the voices of the poor in policy dialogue. The primary focus of the Trust’s support of better policy processes will be to create the conditions to sustain and improve the livelihoods of the poor in a sustainable manner. The Trust therefore intends to support partner initiatives in the region that have an impact on improving the material conditions of the poor.

The Trust approach to grant making is one which recognises that local and regionally based organisations are best placed to determine their development needs and priorities. The Trust plans to add value to these institutions by making resources available through its targeted grant making process. Although the Trust has defined certain parameters for its grant making, the focus of regional programmes will be determined and directed by regional institutions with support from the Trust.

To give effect to this approach the Trust will provide three funding windows to provide funding to institutions in the southern African region.

### **1. The Trust has two options for solicited proposals:**

- a. Through the **Open Call** process the Trust will through its grants facility, issue (i.e. publish through mass media in English, French and Portuguese) calls for proposals.
- b. Through the **Closed Call** process the Trust will determine strategic areas that it intends pursuing. The Trust approaches organisations in the region and requires them to submit proposals in line with the strategic priorities.

### **2. Unsolicited Proposals**

The Trust will accept uninvited proposals from organisations that believe that their programmes will add value to the mission and objectives of Trust.

### **3. Discretionary Funding**

Recognising that organisations often require quick-response support in the course of implementing their programmes, the Trust will make small grant support available for this purpose. The grants will be limited to a maximum of ZAR50 000,00 (approx. USD6,000) per grant and will be allocated at the discretion of the Executive Director of the Trust.

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Fax: +27 11 318 0814 E-mail: [info@southernafricatrust.org](mailto:info@southernafricatrust.org) URL: [http://www.southernafricatrust.org/Grants\\_Policy.html](http://www.southernafricatrust.org/Grants_Policy.html)

## **St. Andrews Prize for the Environment**

**Deadline** Submissions are requested in two stages. For the 2010 prize, the deadline for submission is by 31 October 2009 (a single page project summary of no more than 500 words). Successful applicants will be contacted to enter the second submission round.

**Amount** The Prize consists of an award of USD\$75,000 and a medal. Additional awards of USD\$25,000 are given to the runners-up.

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** The St Andrews Prize for the Environment is an initiative by the University of St Andrews in Scotland and the international integrated energy company, ConocoPhillips. The Prize recognises significant contributions to environmental conservation and since its launch in 1998 has attracted entries from more than 50 countries each year on diverse topics including: sustainable development in the Amazon rainforest; urban regeneration; recycling; health and water issues; and renewable energy.

An important aim of the St Andrews Prize for the Environment is to provide seed-funding to help promote implementation of innovative environmental ideas and solutions. Entries for the prize should be practical and combine good science, economic reality and political acceptability. They should also have the potential for wider application. In most circumstances, they should not already have received widespread recognition, but applications will be judged on their merit. The St Andrews Prize network is available to provide other connections and support.

Examples of the type of topics that an applicant might choose to focus on:

**1. Food supply** – How can we make agricultural practices meet the needs of a growing population while safeguarding and improving the environment and the natural capital (water, soils etc.)?

**2. Community regeneration** – In thinking globally and acting locally what could make a community environment a better place to live and work and how might this heighten broader environmental awareness?

**3. Communication and education** - What practical and original ideas will get more people interested and involved in the environmental debate?

**4. Waste and recycling** – What are some original and practical ideas for limiting the generation of waste?

**5. Environmental justice** – How can environmental issues be tackled to show that these concerns are not a luxury for developing countries, but an everyday reality for most poor communities?

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Fax: +44 (0) 1334 462 543 Email: [prize@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:prize@st-andrews.ac.uk)  
URL: <http://www.thestandrewsprize.com/index.htm>

### Stapledon Memorial Trust: Travelling Fellowship

**Deadline** Applications will be considered by the Trust once annually in December - to be considered at that meeting, applications should be submitted by 31 October.

**Amount** The fellowships will cover the cost of travel to and from the UK and some internal travel. The fellowships are normally awarded for periods of 1 to 6 months.

**Eligibility** The fellowships are primarily intended for research workers at the post-doctoral level through to mid-career.

**Location** For UK applicants, the fellowship may be taken up in any other country, whilst for non-UK applicants, the fellowships must be taken up in the UK.

**Summary** The trust provides travelling fellowships for research and development on all aspects of grassland and grass-related animal production, including the social, economic and environmental implications.

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URL: <http://www.stapledontrust.org.uk/>

### SwedBio: Collaborative Program

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** The annual budget for the SwedBio Collaborative Programme is about USD 2,5 million (SEK 20 millions).

**Eligibility** To ensure complementarity - as well as compatibility - with other biodiversity-related Swedish support, priority is given to supporting NGOs, networks, independent action-oriented research institutes, and civil society organisations (not Governments) with activities in the South that do not receive substantial support from other Swedish sources.

**Location** SwedBio collaborates with networks and organisations working at global (or regional) level.

**Summary** SwedBio is a joint initiative by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) and the Swedish Biodiversity Centre (CBM), focusing on biodiversity and ecosystem services for local livelihoods and poverty alleviation. The Collaborative Programme is a key opportunity for SwedBio to directly contribute to development of ideas, methods and policies regarding biodiversity and local livelihoods.

SwedBio therefore supports capacity building, intended to both encourage development of enabling institutional frameworks (policies and strategies, values and attitudes), and more hands-on biodiversity-based production and marketing practices. This is done through supporting policy development, development of tools and methods, and net-working (including exchange, learning, and communication) in these areas.

All supported initiatives address the following three (and interlinked) dimensions in different ways:

1. Sustainable management of biodiversity and sustaining ecosystem services to ensure human well-being and health and contribute to poverty alleviation. Aspects include a) biodiversity for food and income, b) biodiversity and vulnerability, and c) biodiversity and health.
2. Ensure equity and human rights in management and use of biodiversity and ecosystem services. Giving voice to civil society in international processes, collaborative and community-based management, and gender and biodiversity are three important aspects.
3. Development of appropriate incentive frameworks and good governance in order to address root causes of biodiversity loss. This includes aspects such as a) addressing macro-policies, trade and international conventions, b) integrating ecosystem management goals in development and sector planning, c) communication, and d) addressing governance failures (see 2. above).

Financial support is provided both for programmatic (longer term) collaborations with a range of organisations, for short-term initiatives (such as participation of representatives from the South in important regional and international workshops & conferences of relevance to biodiversity and ecosystem services).

**SwedBio currently has no funds available for additional initiatives**, but if the financial situation changes during 2009 priority will be given to identifying collaborations that address the following issues:

1. Supporting civil society engagement in relevant multi-lateral processes and meetings, e.g. involvement in CBD-processes, ITPGRFA, and other FAO-related processes.
2. Ecosystem services and climate change.
3. Sound ecosystem management in marine and coastal areas.
4. Health and biodiversity.
5. Tools for mainstreaming, e.g. valuation tools, market-based mechanisms for managing ecosystem services, and biodiversity/ecosystem services in EIA/SEA.

**Contact**

The offices of the Swedish International Biodiversity programme, SwedBio, are located at the Swedish Biodiversity Centre, CBM, on the campus of the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, SLU, outside the town of Uppsala. Visiting address: Bäcklösavägen 8, SLU, Uppsala, Sweden. Main e-mail address: [swedbio@cbm.slu.se](mailto:swedbio@cbm.slu.se) Fax: + 46 (0) 18 30 02 46 URL: <http://www.swedbio.com/collab.htm>

**Swedish Foundation for International Cooperation in Research and Higher Education (STINT): Institutional Grants**

**Deadline** Deadline for applications starting the academic year 2009/2010 was 15



	December, 2008.
<b>Amount</b>	The grant is intended for the exchange of personnel, through shorter or longer visits at the partner institutions. Visiting scholars and scientists should be encouraged to engage in tutoring, joint courses and summer schools to be developed. Seminars, conferences, summer schools and similar activities directly connected to the project can also be financed. Funding is granted for a maximum of four years.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Only institutional-level projects including a number of participants representing a wide range of experience (senior researchers, academic teachers, postdocs, doctoral students etc.) will be considered.
<b>Location</b>	The programme is open for cooperation with all countries.
<b>Summary</b>	The overall objective of the STINT Institutional Grants Programme is to strengthen Swedish research and higher education through international cooperation by widening the scope of exchange. The foundation will, above all encourage the development of new patterns of collaboration. The programme is open for applications within all scientific areas. Projects should lead to a significant increase in quality, a step change as opposed to impacts at the margin, in the activities. The programme intention is to help groups of researchers, or groups focusing on higher education issues create more lasting international networks.
	The programme is characterized by its flexibility. The ideal project includes activities within both categories, research and higher education. However, the foundation will also consider projects of high quality focusing on research exclusively. Project leaders have the freedom to modify the cooperation in accordance with the different needs and developments of their projects during the period of support., The foundation will however, look for projects with broader forms of cooperation and exchange, projects with a limited number of participants will not be given priority.
<b>Contact</b>	STINT Skeppargatan 8, SE-114 52 Stockholm. Tel: +46 (0)8-662 76 90 E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@stint.se">info@stint.se</a> URL: <a href="http://www.stint.se/en/scholarships_and_grants/institutional_grants">http://www.stint.se/en/scholarships_and_grants/institutional_grants</a>

### **Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA): International Training Programmes - Global Programmes**

<b>Deadline</b>	October 1, 2009.
<b>Amount</b>	NA
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This programme is intended for participants with a background in organisations involved in marine management issues. The participants should preferably hold positions as decisionmakers, qualified specialist or managers, or other equal positions within governmental agencies or non-governmental organisations.</li> <li>2. The course is also open to participants from regional organisations addressing marine management issues.</li> <li>3. The participants are expected to hold an academic degree at least equivalent to a B. Sc. and have at least five years of professional experience.</li> <li>4. In line with the policies of UN organisations, female candidates are particularly encouraged to apply for the programme.</li> </ol>
<b>Location</b>	Global
<b>Summary</b>	Sida's new organization has three main pillars: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Policy, which is responsible for global dialogues and reaching consensus,</li> </ol>

- knowledge development and advice, quality assurance and competence
2. Operations, which is responsible for the implementation of the development co-operation
  3. Management, which is responsible for control and planning functions as well as service to the rest of the authority.

### **Marine Management - Good Governance in Practice**

There is no single coherent policy or set of policies to manage the marine environment. Instead there is a complex web of interacting and overlapping policies that leaves significant problems connected to the areas of shipping, fishing and the environment, amongst others unaddressed. The overall objective of this programme is to provide the participants with:

1. A better understanding of the interactions between different marine sectors and their stakeholders,
2. A better understanding of the advantage of building networks for improved integration and cooperation among decision-makers and managers at different levels within the marine sectors,
3. An improved capacity in acting inside her/his organisation and in establishing networks with other participants, but also in acting as transmitters of improved or alternative approaches to problem solving.

This programme is jointly organised by four Swedish governmental agencies: Swedish Maritime Administration, the Swedish Board of Fisheries, the Swedish Environment Protection Agency and the Swedish Coast Guard. The curriculum therefore covers a wide range of topics. An important part of the programme is for the participants to select and prepare a relevant Project for Change.

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See here for details on the other programmes:

<https://itp.sida.se/itp/Programcatalog.nsf/dspobjProgrammesByTarget?readForm&target=G&year=2010>

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### **Swiss Re: The International ReSource Award for Sustainable Watershed Management**

**Deadline** The last submission deadline for the ReSource Award 2010 is 30 April 2009.

**Amount** The International ReSource Award is worth USD 150 000 in total and is granted to one or several projects selected by an international jury.

**Eligibility** NGOs, private, scientific or public institutions and similar bodies are invited to participate in the tender for the International ReSource Award for Sustainable Watershed Management. Projects comprising more than one institution (eg public-private partnerships) are also eligible for the award. Bodies with strong links to the local communities of regions where water sources are located are particularly encouraged to participate. However, participants cannot submit more than one project each year. In order to qualify, participants are asked to provide a proven track record in sustainability and project planning and/or management in the specific field of water and source management.

**Location** The award is aimed at projects which genuinely seek to contribute to raising awareness of the ecological, social and economic significance of water sources and watersheds in developing and emerging countries (only projects that are implemented in a non-OECD country are being considered).

**Summary** The International ReSource Award for Sustainable Watershed Management was launched by Swiss Re in 2002. It expresses the company's commitment to planning, evaluating and realisation of water-related projects and aims to promote awareness and the efficient use of this precious resource. The ReSource Award is an internationally recognised prize for leadership in implementing the principles of sustainability in watershed management. It is conferred annually. The prize money is awarded exclusively for project implementation activities and not for building up or strengthening the organisations that are submitting an application.

Preference will be given to those projects which demonstrate innovative preventative measures for protecting water resources, i.e. projects that have a pioneering character in the local context (cultural, institutional or technological), and involve local community and/or regional institutions. Such projects should be based on transferable concepts and thus enable sustained efforts to be made to protect the quality and availability of (drinking) water in other locations.

**Contact** ReSource Award, Corporate Citizenship, Swiss Reinsurance Company, Mythenquai 50/60, CH-8022 Zurich, Switzerland. URL: <http://www.swissre.com/pws/about%20us/corp.%20responsibility/corporate%20citizenship/water/swiss%20re%20resource%20award%20for%20sustainable%20watershed%20management.html>

### **Tech Museum of Innovation: The Tech Awards**

**Deadline** Nominations for The Tech Awards are accepted year-round and currently nominations are accepted for 2010. The 2010 deadline for nominations is March 31, 2010.

**Amount** Awards are presented in five categories: Health, Education, Environment, Economic Development, and Equality. Three Laureates in each category are honored and one Laureate per category receives \$50,000. Laureates are honored at an annual Gala event and inducted into The Tech Awards Network (TAN). The TAN extends the award program from an annual event to a year round program. The goal of the TAN is to create opportunities for learning, networking, and exposure to assist the Laureates in furthering their work.

**Eligibility** Each year, candidates are nominated and then invited to submit applications. Individuals, for-profit companies, and not-for-profit organizations are eligible.

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** The Tech Awards program inspires global engagement in applying technology to humanity's most pressing problems by recognizing the best of those who are utilizing innovative technology solutions to address the most urgent critical issues facing our planet. People all over the world are profoundly improving the human condition in the areas of education, equality, environment, health, and economic development through the use of technology. It is the goal of The Tech Awards to showcase their compelling stories and reward their brilliant accomplishments.

Nominations and applications are evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. The technology application significantly improves the human condition in one of the five award areas: economic development, education, environment, equality, or health.
2. A serious problem or challenge with global significance is addressed by this use of technology.
3. The application of this technology, which may be either a new invention or an innovative use of an existing technology, makes a noteworthy contribution that surpasses previous or current solutions.
4. The technology application has the potential to serve as an inspiration or model for further innovation.
5. The technology application is in the field and has demonstrated a measurable benefit.

**Contact** The Tech Awards, The Tech Museum, 201 South Market Street, San Jose, CA 95113. Tel: (408) 795-6219 E-mail: [techawards@thetech.org](mailto:techawards@thetech.org)  
URL: <http://www.techawards.org/>

### Threshold Foundation

- Deadline** August 14, 2009: LOI online application period opens  
September 25, 2009: LOI online application deadline
- Amount** Threshold Foundation's average annual grants budget divided between the two committees is about \$1,000,000. Grants typically range in size from \$15,000 to \$30,000.
- Eligibility** Grantseeking Organizations or their fiscal sponsors must be qualified 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) organizations or must be exclusively organized for charitable or educational purposes outside of the United States.
- Location** For the 2009-2010 cycle, **the Justice and Democracy Committee** will only fund work inside the US, while the **Sustainable Planet Committee** will fund internationally in two of its focus areas.
- Summary** Threshold is a progressive foundation and a community of individuals united through wealth, who mobilize money, people and power to create a more just, joyful and sustainable world. The purpose of the Foundation is to:
1. Be a powerful and visible model of conscious, effective philanthropy.
  2. Create fertile training grounds that support the full and authentic expression of our passions and purpose.
  3. Be a dynamic forum for learning about social issues and the people working to address them.
  4. Cultivate and continually renew the heart and soul of our community.
  5. Be a vibrant, growing and diverse multi-generational membership organization.
  6. Transform wealth into an instrument of change.

The Foundation serves the social change movement by funding innovative national and international non-profit organizations working to further the causes of social justice, environmental preservation, humane economic systems and the peaceful coexistence of individuals, communities and cultures.

Threshold's volunteer-run committees, the Sustainable Planet Committee and Justice and Democracy Committee, seek to fund cutting-edge organizations, marginalized populations, and projects not often supported by mainstream philanthropic sources.

## 1. Sustainable Planet Committee

By "Sustainability" the Foundation means:

- a. Meeting the needs of people now without compromising the needs of future generations.
- b. Bringing all human activities into harmony with nature for the benefit of all beings.

This implies transforming both human culture and technology to live within the physical limits of the local and global ecosystems. Most urgently, this implies protecting threatened ecosystems to preserve biodiversity and prevent extinction. This in turn will require addressing global ecological issues such as climate change, empowering local and indigenous communities and deploying new clean technologies.

Within the vast range of possible approaches to issues that could fall under this realm, the Sustainable Planet Committee has chosen three focus areas, which will allow them to be most effective with grants of the scale that they are able to offer and represent the passions of their foundation membership. In 2009-2010, the Committee will fund in the following areas:

- a. Climate Change
- b. Community-based Solutions
- c. Ecological Hotspots

## 2. Justice and Democracy Committee

Threshold Foundation's Justice & Democracy Committee is a donor-based fund that seeks to ensure human rights for youth impacted by the criminal justice and drug policy systems, and political rights for those in historically disenfranchised communities. In 2009-2010, the committee will fund in the following areas:

- a. Criminal Justice Reform
- b. Drug Policy Reform
- c. Civic Participation

## Threshold Funding Circles

A Funding Circle, as we have interpreted it, is a naturally occurring and impermanent Threshold-based interest group, which convenes when there is both member interest in a particular issue area and an urgent need in the non-profit field to address it. Threshold's Funding Circles generally do not accept unsolicited letters of inquiry, proposals, or applications for funding. The two Current Threshold Funding Circles for 2009-2010 are:

- a. Election Integrity
- b. Queer Youth Fund

### Contact

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URL: <http://www.thresholdfoundation.org/index.php?id=244>

## Toyota Foundation: Research Grant Program

**Deadline** The application period closed on May 13, 2009.

**Amount** Total amount of grants: ¥150 million (approx. US\$ 1.5 million).

Amount per grant - **Individual research:** ¥1 million to ¥2 million (approx.

	US\$ 10,000 to US\$ 20,000) <b>Joint research:</b> ¥2 million to ¥8 million (approx. US\$ 20,000 to US\$ 83,000). These figures are general ranges, not strict limits. Depending on the project, a higher amount may be deemed acceptable.
Eligibility	All categories are open to both individual research and joint research conducted by multiple parties. There are no restrictions based on nationality, affiliation, or location of residence.
Location	No restrictions
Summary	<p>The fiscal 2009 Research Grant Program was devoted to the theme "The Search for the Richness of Human Life and Activity" and focused on "Revitalizing Local Communities Under Globalization". The categories are:</p> <p><b>1. Transmission and Formation of Culture</b></p> <p>Whether tangible or intangible, community-based culture represents the crystallization of wisdom cultivated in the course of daily life. The Foundation supports research in this area that actively draws forth the potential of this type of culture and presents contemporary society with new paradigms.</p> <p><b>2. Society's Frameworks</b></p> <p>Social systems, including administrative, judicial, legislative, educational, and financial systems, must be compatible with the communities to which they are applied. In this area the Foundation supports research that helps to create better models for local communities, not only in terms of the aforesaid types of public systems but also the informal mechanisms that connect people to one another, as well as projects addressing the issue of procuring funding for efforts to revitalize local communities.</p> <p><b>3. Individual and Interpersonal Development</b></p> <p>Vigorous human activity, which expands interpersonal connections and promotes the formation of new networks, is the primary foundation for the creation of richer community life. The Foundation supports research in this area focusing on relationships between people and communities, including projects focusing on tourism, immigration, and other cross-community movements and projects concerning approaches to educating or training people who can work from various angles to provide the vitality that communities need.</p> <p><b>4. Other</b></p> <p>Research projects that do not fall within any of the three areas described above are also welcomed, provided they contribute to "Revitalizing Local Communities Under Globalization," the theme for 2009.</p>
Contact	<p>Research Grant Program, The Toyota Foundation, Box 236, Shinjuku Mitsui Building 37F, 2-1-1 Nishi-Shinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan 163-0437. Phone: +81-(0)3-3344-1701 Fax: +81-(0)3-3342-6911 Attn.: (Mr.) Kusuda, (Ms.) Nishida URL: <a href="http://www.toyotafound.or.jp/english/">http://www.toyotafound.or.jp/english/</a></p>
<b>Tree Aid</b>	
Deadline	NA
Amount	NA
Eligibility	<p>Community-based organisation or local Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) with projects that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Respond to local and national needs</li> </ol>



2. Are community-based and work in partnership with beneficiary communities
3. Ensure equality of opportunity, particularly gender equality
4. Ensure sustainable benefits
5. Ensure equity in the distribution of benefits
6. Deliver benefits cost effectively
7. Help to achieve greater food, environmental and livelihood security

**Location** TREE AID currently has over 20 partners and looks to support projects in Burkina Faso, northern Ghana, Mali and Ethiopia.

**Summary** TREE AID is enabling communities in Africa's drylands to fight poverty and become self-reliant, while improving the environment. TREE AID is the UK's only forestry focused development charity providing funding and on-the-ground training and support to local organisations in the Sahel of Africa.

### **1. Strategy**

Each strand of Tree Aid's current 15-year Community Forestry Livelihoods programme in West Africa - forestry, money, food and health - forms a vital piece of a jigsaw, each building on and reinforcing the other. The first phase of this programme began in 2003. This identified the best ways of supporting villagers to generate income from trees. The second and current phase continues this and their forestry work.

Income from the sale of tree products means villagers can buy food when crops fail and pay for schooling, healthcare and other essentials. The food and health strands will add to the range of tree products that can be sold.

Tree Aid's money, food and medicine strands will encourage the growth and protection of trees and better farming, which is what their forestry work is all about. The more that is invested in the sustainable management of trees the greater the long-term returns will be for the villagers. This will increase the incentive to continue the work, which strengthens their resilience to the effects of climate change.

### **2. Key aims**

By 30th March 2011 TREE AID aims to:

1. Help 2,200 poor families to develop skills and knowledge in tree and forest management
2. Improve local forest governance for 175,000 poor men and women in 150 villages
3. Support more than 3,500 village tree entrepreneurs
4. Develop skills and knowledge in tree food storage, preparation and preservation in 60 villages
5. Work with governments at national level to assimilate lessons from the field and promote best practice through government policy and strategy.

See here for list of current projects:

<http://www.treeaid.org.uk/page2.asp?pID=2&sID=40>

**Contact** TREE AID, Brunswick Court, Brunswick Square, Bristol, BS2 8PE.

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URL: <http://www.treeaid.org.uk/index.asp?pID=1&sID=1>

## Tree Fund

*Formerly International Society of Arboriculture (ISA): Tree Fund*

**Deadline** See "Summary" below

**Amount** See "Summary" below

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** NA

**Summary** The Tree Research and Education Endowment Fund (TREE Fund) is an international philanthropic organization that identifies projects and programs to advance knowledge in the field of arboriculture and urban forestry for the benefit of people, trees and the environment. The Fund promotes research-based tree care for current and future generations. To this end, the foundation seeks to address the broad needs of arboriculture through grants in support of the following program categories:

1. Root and Soil Management
2. Planting and Establishment
3. Plant Health Care
4. Risk Assessment and Worker Safety
5. Technology Transfer
6. Urban Forestry
7. Arboriculture Education

**1. Hyland R. Johns Grants** support multi-year research projects (two to five years in duration). Grants may support expenses over multiple years, but no more than one grant can be awarded to any project. Grant award amounts may vary from the amount requested, depending on the adjudged value of the project relative to the needs of the arboricultural industry. Grants range from \$7,500 to \$25,000. Funds cannot be used to pay for overhead expenses, student tuition or student fees. Deadline: May 1, 2010

**2.** The goal of the **John Z. Duling Grant Program** is to provide seed money or partial support for research and technology transfer projects that advance arboricultural knowledge and address topics that have the potential of benefiting the everyday work of arborists. Projects are expected to be completed within one to three years. Grant award amounts will vary depending on the adjudged value of the project relative to the needs of the arboriculture community. Awards are limited to a maximum of \$10,000 and no project will receive more than one award from this program. Please note that funds cannot be used to pay for overhead expenses or student tuition and fees. Deadline: October/November 1, 2009

**3. Research Fellow Grants** are designed to address a specific topic as defined by the TREE Fund Trustees and to provide support to a young scientist who is being mentored by an established and published scientist. Research Fellow Grants support multi-year research projects (three to five years in duration), but no more than one grant can be awarded to any project. Grants are for a total of \$100,000 over three years, with approximately one third released each of the three years, pending completion of interim and final reports. Funds cannot be used to pay for overhead expenses, student tuition or student fees. Last deadline: December 1, 2009

Other research grant programs include:

**4. Directed Grant Program:** The Research Committee, with approval by the TREE Fund Trustees, may select a topic for focused funding and solicit proposals from specific researchers. The size of the grant may vary, depending on the nature of the work and funds available.

**5. Sponsored Grant Program:** Sponsored grants are funded by a sponsor or donor for a specific project or topic. The purpose of the grant must meet the mission of the TREE Fund and be funded prior to the request for proposals being announced. The sponsor or donor may include the research committees of various allied organizations such as the UAA or ISA Chapters. Interested parties should contact TREE Fund Executive Director to describe the intended project.

**Contact** Mailing address: Tree Research and Education Endowment Fund, 552 So. Washington St., Suite 109, Naperville, IL 60540. phone: (630) 369-8300 fax: (630) 369-8382 URL: <http://www.treefund.org/default.htm>

### Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement

**Deadline** Nominations for the Tyler Prize must be received by September 15. Related credentials, supporting material and letters of reference must be received by the deadline.

**Amount** Tyler Laureates receive a \$200,000 annual prize and are presented a gold medallion at ceremonies in Los Angeles.

**Eligibility** Living individuals or public or private institutions of any nation, are eligible for nomination. Persons eligible to make nominations include, but are not limited to: Any individuals or entity active in fields such as biology, oceanography, geology, medicine, public health, chemistry, and physics; engineers in fields such as civil, environmental, petroleum and chemical engineering, and social scientists in fields such as geography, political science, economics and the law; and universities, research institutions and their members. Self nominations are not accepted.

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** The Tyler Prize, administered by the University of Southern California, was established by the late John and Alice Tyler in 1973. The Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement is the premier award for environmental science, energy and medicine conferring great benefit upon mankind. Through their work, Tyler Laureates have focused worldwide attention on environmental problems by their discoveries and the solutions that resulted.

Prizes are awarded for any one of the following:

1. The protection, maintenance, improvement or understanding of an ecological or an environmental condition anywhere in the world.
2. The discovery, further development, improvement, or understanding of known or new sources of energy.
3. Medical discoveries or achievements with such worldwide implications that they significantly benefit environmental aspects of human health.

**Contact** Sue M. Anderson, Administrator, The Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement, University of Southern California, 3616 Trousdale Parkway #410, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0371 USA. Tel: 213-740-6559 Fax: 213-740-1313 E-mail: [tylerprz@usc.edu](mailto:tylerprz@usc.edu) URL: <http://www.usc.edu/admin/provost/tylerprize/index.html>

## United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM): UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women

<b>Deadline</b>	The last deadline for application is 17 April 2009. The 2010 guidelines will be posted on the website in March 2010.
<b>Amount</b>	Due to the global economic and financial crisis, the UN Trust Fund is facing a dramatic shortfall in donor contributions. This year, the Fund has received more than 1600 proposals from all over the world. There is only US\$9 million available, compared to the US\$22 million granted last year. Donations are welcomed.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Government authorities at the national and local levels, civil society organizations and networks — including non-governmental, women's and community-based organizations, coalitions and operational research institutions — and UN Country Teams in partnership with governments and civil society organizations. Applications should be centered on supporting implementation of national and local policies, laws and action plans on ending violence against women.
<b>Location</b>	Africa, Americas & the Caribbean, Arab States, Asia & the Pacific, Central and Eastern Europe & the CIS
<b>Summary</b>	UNIFEM is the women's fund at the United Nations, dedicated to advancing women's rights and achieving gender equality. It provides financial and technical assistance to innovative programmes and strategies that foster women's empowerment. UNIFEM works on the premise that it is the fundamental right of every woman to live a life free from discrimination and violence, and that gender equality is essential to achieving development and to building just societies.

The UN Trust Fund in Support of Actions to Eliminate Violence against Women (UN Trust Fund) was established by General Assembly resolution 50/166 in 1996 and is managed by the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) on behalf of the UN system. The UN Trust Fund is the only multilateral grant-making mechanism that supports local, national and regional efforts to end violence against women and girls.

The UN Trust Fund projects focus on supporting the implementation of national laws, policies and action plans that address violence against women.

Grants support:

1. Awareness raising
2. Advocacy for adequate budgetary allocation
3. Multi-sector partnerships
4. Development of sustainable capacities of judiciaries, law enforcement and health service providers
5. Access of survivors to services
6. Creation and strengthening of data collection systems

The strategy on ending violence against women focuses on four priority areas that hold promise for intensifying implementation and achieving medium- to longer-term results. Under the overall theme of ending impunity and strengthening accountability, the strategy's four pillars centre around:

1. Furthering implementation of existing commitments and promoting upscaling
2. Aligning informal and formal justice systems with international human rights

standards

3. Addressing rape as a tactic of warfare in conflict and post-conflict situations
4. Targeting primary prevention with key groups, especially men and young people.

**Contact** UNIFEM Headquarters, Executive Director: Ms. Inés Alberdi, 304 East 45th Street, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10017, United States.  
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[http://www.unifem.org/gender\\_issues/violence\\_against\\_women/trust\\_fund.php](http://www.unifem.org/gender_issues/violence_against_women/trust_fund.php)

### **United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO): MAB Young Scientists Awards**

**Deadline** The last deadline was 30 September 2009.

**Amount** MAB provides 10 young researchers each year with awards up to US\$5,000 in support of their research on ecosystems, natural resources and biodiversity.

**Eligibility**

1. To be eligible, award applications must be made on the MAB Young Scientists Award application form (in English or French) and be endorsed by the applicant's MAB National Committee\*, which may endorse only two applications per year from applicants who are not older than 40 years of age (at the closing date of the application).
2. Priority is given to interdisciplinary projects carried out in biosphere reserves designated under the Man and the Biosphere Programme or potential biosphere reserves.
3. Applicants from developed countries are eligible for Awards only in exceptional cases.

**Location** NA

**Summary** The MAB Young Scientists Awards targets young researchers carrying out interdisciplinary research in line with UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme. Priority is given to projects carried out in biosphere reserves, on the theme of ecosystems and water. The objectives of the MAB Young Scientists Award Scheme are:

1. To encourage young scientists, in particular those from developing countries, to use MAB research, project sites and biosphere reserves in their research.
2. To encourage young scientists who already use such sites to undertake comparative studies in other sites in or outside their own country.
3. To assist exchange of information and experience among a new generation of scientists.

**Contact** MAB Secretariat, Division of Ecological and Earth Sciences, UNESCO, 1 rue Miollis, 75732 Paris Cedex 15, France E-mail: [mab.awards@unesco.org](mailto:mab.awards@unesco.org)  
General phone: +33 (0)1 45 68 10 00 Fax: +33 (0)1 45 67 16 90  
URL: [http://portal.unesco.org/science/en/ev.php-URL\\_ID=7765&URL\\_DO=DO\\_TOPIC&URL\\_SECTION=201.html](http://portal.unesco.org/science/en/ev.php-URL_ID=7765&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html)

### **United States African Development Foundation (USADF)**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** The majority of USADF's funding agreements range between \$50,000 and \$250,000.

**Eligibility** USADF has two major priorities when considering a request for funding a project:

1. Does the application come from an African community group or

organization that represents its own development priorities and includes the participation of the poor in setting project objectives?

2. Does the application represent a project that could provide maximum benefit to an underserved and marginalized population group?

Project applications are evaluated on the basis of potential benefits to the community, potential for job creation, workers income improvements, long term profitability, and managerial strengths and capabilities.

**Location** USADF currently operates in 20 African countries: Benin, Mauritania, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Namibia, Niger, Burundi, Nigeria, Cape Verde, Rwanda, Ghana, Senegal, Guinea, Swaziland, Liberia, Tanzania, Malawi, Uganda, Mali, Zambia.

**Summary** USADF provides direct support to community organizations and enterprises that benefit under served and marginalized communities in Africa. USADF provides funding for the following types of groups:

**1. Agricultural Cooperatives And Small-Scale Producer Groups:** An organization formed by a group of small-scale farmers, artisans, or producers to achieve some or all of the advantages of large-scale marketing and production.

**2. Community-Based Organization (CBO's):** An organization made up of a group of people who come together to accomplish a common goal or a set of goals tailored to meet the development needs of their community.

**3. African Intermediary Organizations (AIOs):** An organization that works directly with very low-income people and marginalized groups.

**4. Small And Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs):** A registered enterprise that employs up to 100 workers, has annual sales revenues up to \$500,000, and has a business plan that impacts communities either directly within their enterprise or indirectly through supply-chain linkages.

**Contact** United States African Development Foundation, 1400, Street NW, Suite 1000, Washington. D.C. 20005-2248, USA. Phone: 202-673-3916  
Fax: 202.673.3810 URL: <http://www.adf.gov/about.html>

### **US Fish and Wildlife Service Division of International Conservation: African Elephant Conservation Fund**

**Deadline** November 1 and April 1 of each year

**Amount** Due to the limited funds available, preference is given to proposals requesting less than \$50,000.00 USD. Higher amounts may be requested with appropriate justification. The period of performance for the majority of projects funded under this Fund is one year, starting on the date the award is signed by the USFWS.

**Eligibility** Any government agency responsible for African elephant conservation and protection, and any other organization or individual with demonstrated experience in Asian elephant conservation may submit proposals to this Fund.

**Location** Priority will be given to projects that enhance conservation of Elephants within their natural range.

**Summary** The African Elephant Conservation Act of 1988 authorizes the United States to use designated funding to establish a grant program supporting the conservation of African elephants in the wild - a species highly imperiled by habitat loss, the bushmeat trade and illegal hunting for ivory.

The African Elephant Conservation Fund supports projects that promote conservation through:

1. Applied research on elephant populations and their habitat, including surveys



and monitoring

2. Development and execution of elephant conservation management plans
3. Compliance with applicable treaties and laws that prohibit or regulate the taking or trade of elephants or regulate the use and management of elephant habitat
4. Conservation education and community outreach
5. Enhanced protection of at-risk elephant populations
6. Efforts to decrease human-elephant conflict
7. Habitat conservation and management
8. Protected area/reserve management in important elephant range
9. Strengthening local capacity to implement conservation programs
10. Transfrontier elephant conservation
11. Wildlife inspection, law enforcement, and forensics skills.

The US Fish and Wildlife Service also offers programs targeting conservation and protection of great apes, marine turtles, rhinoceros, and tigers. See <http://www.fws.gov/international/dic/species/species.html>

**Contact**

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**U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) Fogarty International Center: International Cooperative Biodiversity Groups (ICBG)**

<b>Deadline</b>	Application Receipt Date: November 20, 2008
<b>Amount</b>	There are currently seven awards of approximately \$600,000 per year. Total inter-agency funding for the program in FY 05 was \$6 million, of which \$2 million derives from FIC appropriations.
<b>Eligibility</b>	NA
<b>Location</b>	The ICBGs are currently working in nine countries in Latin America, Africa, Southeast and Central Asia, and the Pacific Islands, building research capacity in more than 20 different institutions and training hundreds of individuals.
<b>Summary</b>	The International Cooperative Biodiversity Groups (ICBG) Program is a unique effort that addresses the interdependent issues of drug discovery, biodiversity conservation, and sustainable economic growth. Efforts to examine the medicinal potential of the earth's plants, animals and microorganisms are urgently needed, since enduring habitat destruction and the resulting diminishment of biodiversity will make it increasingly difficult to do so in the future. 40-50% of currently used drugs have an origin in natural products. The FIC-managed Biodiversity Program is designed to guide natural products drug discovery in such a way that local communities and other source country organizations can derive direct benefits from their diverse biological resources. Benefit-sharing may provide clear incentives for preservation and sustainable use of that biodiversity.

The ICBG program aims to integrate improvement of human health through drug discovery, creation of incentives for conservation of biodiversity, and promotion of scientific research and sustainable economic activity that focuses on environment, health, equity and democracy. This program is based on the

belief that discovery and development of pharmaceutical and other useful agents from natural products can, under appropriate circumstances, promote scientific capacity development and economic incentives to conserve the biological resources from which these products are derived.

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URL: [http://www.fic.nih.gov/programs/research\\_grants/icbg/](http://www.fic.nih.gov/programs/research_grants/icbg/)

## United States - Egypt Joint Science and Technology Fund

**Deadline** See summary  
**Amount** See summary  
**Eligibility** See summary  
**Location** United States and the Arab Republic of Egypt  
**Summary** The Joint Fund was established under the U.S. - Egypt Science & Technology Cooperative Agreement first signed in 1995, and then renewed in 2001 and 2005 by the United States and the Arab Republic of Egypt. Approximately USD \$ 4 million per year is equally distributed between Egyptian and American scientists working together on joint Fund activities.

The main goals of the Joint Fund are to:

1. Strengthen the scientific and technological capabilities of both countries.
2. Broaden and expand relations between the scientific and technical communities.
3. Promote scientific and technological cooperation in areas of mutual benefit for peaceful purposes.

Joint Fund support for research and development cooperation takes the form of the following:

### **1. Dual-Cooperator Research Grants**

Deadline for applications is October 20, 2009.

Grant Type A: up to a maximum of \$100,000USD

Grant Type B: from \$101,000 to a maximum of \$200,000USD.

This grant is available for experts from U.S. and Egyptian scientific institutes, universities, scientific societies, private sector research and development centers, and governmental agencies interested in working on a joint research projects. Individuals in either country may initiate proposals that are designed to support the add-on costs of bilateral cooperation.

#### **Research Areas**

The joint Board will entertain proposals from a range of fields including: Agriculture, ICT, Pharmaceutical and chemistry, Engineering, Medical Sciences, Humanities, Materials, Basic sciences and other fields.

### **2. Workshop Grants**

The S&T Joint Board sponsors workshops organized jointly by American and Egyptian scientific and technical agencies. These workshops help promote scientific exchange. They provide an excellent opportunity for American and Egyptian researchers to network and develop future project collaboration. Workshop proposals are presented to the Joint Board by Board members only; to discuss a workshop idea, please contact the Board member (contacts page) within the appropriate field.

### 3. Junior Scientist Development Visit Grants

Deadline for applications is October 20, 2009.

This grant provides opportunities for short-term (maximum of six months) practical training of junior scientists. A junior scientist is someone who has earned a Ph.D. within the last 10 years. (U.S. applicants may also have a Master's degree or currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program). The maximum grant award is \$15,000 (U.S. dollars). Researchers representing the private sector and American and Egyptian institutions, such as Universities and Government research centers, may apply.

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### Verde Ventures

**Deadline** The first step in the application process is to send a Letter of Inquiry to Verde Ventures. See here for detailed application process:  
<http://www.conservation.org/sites/verdeventures/loans/apply/pages/apply.aspx>

**Amount** Verde Ventures offer a variety of debt instruments of \$30,000-\$500,000, including:

1. Loans for infrastructure investments and improvements
2. Revolving lines of credit to finance the purchase of raw materials and harvest working capital
3. Flexible terms from six months to five years
4. Enterprise development services to eligible applicants

Verde Ventures loan funds can be used by a project for key areas of business development such as: working capital, inventory purchases, infrastructure enhancements, reforestation, training and capacity building, plant and equipment purchases, and land purchase. The use of funds must be directly related to the project's business plan. Each prospective applicant will need to demonstrate how funding will contribute to the business' ability to directly support biodiversity conservation.

**Eligibility** To obtain an investment from Verde Ventures, the enterprise must operate in one of Conservation International's (CI) priority areas: biodiversity hotspots, high-biodiversity wilderness areas and key marine regions. See here for map of biodiversity hotspots and wilderness areas:  
<http://www.conservation.org/sites/verdeventures/loans/pages/eligibility.aspx>

Given the extent of geographic eligibility and the need to target investments efficiently, Verde Ventures gives preference to projects in countries/regions which have:

1. An existing CI office or strong partner presence
2. An established CI "conservation corridor" and baseline biodiversity data for success measurement
3. Established legal frameworks which provide investors with legal protection

in the event of default

4. Relatively stable governments and economies predicted during the investment period

Once geographic eligibility has been established, projects must fulfill the following basic criteria:

1. Make a direct contribution to Verde Ventures priorities, which include:
  - a. creation of new protected areas;
  - b. strengthening of existing protected areas;
  - c. protection of a threatened species; and/or,
  - d. improvements in the biodiversity of a landscape between protected areas.
2. Have a strong management team
3. Demonstrate commitment to and participation of a local community
4. Have total business assets less than \$5 million during the investment period
5. Demonstrate sufficient cash flow or growth potential to repay the investment within three-five years
6. Demonstrate capacity to repay the investment in US dollars, despite local currency fluctuations
7. Be able and committed to monitor changes in biodiversity during the life of the investment

**Location** Verde Ventures support businesses that are strategically placed to contribute to healthy ecosystems and human well-being in Earth's biologically richest areas:

1. Biodiversity Hotspots
2. High-Biodiversity Wilderness Areas
3. Key Marine Regions

Current projects are located in:

- 1. Africa & Madagascar:** Ghana, Mozambique, Kenya
- 2. Asia-Pacific:** Indonesia
- 3. North & Central America:** Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Costa Rica
- 4. South America:** Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador, Chile

**Summary** Verde Ventures is an investment fund managed by Conservation International (CI) to provide support for small- and medium-sized businesses that contribute to healthy ecosystems and human well-being. Small- and medium-sized businesses can play a vital role in conserving biological diversity and creating jobs that preserve natural resources for future generations.

Verde Ventures provides debt and equity financing to businesses that benefit healthy ecosystems and human well-being, such as agroforestry, ecotourism, sustainable harvest of wild products and marine initiatives. The fund's investments enable these partners to advance the important role of small business in conservation and responsible development. They employ local people in jobs that give them and their communities a personal and economic stake in safeguarding their local natural resources.

Verde Ventures contributes to successful conservation outcomes through economic incentives and efficient, people-focused solutions. Underlying its success is a set of principles that reflect the specific challenges of small businesses, as well as the need to engage people and businesses at all levels to achieve conservation in effective and lasting ways:

1. Conservation-based employment is essential to provide economic incentives for conservation.
2. The small business sector is a key partner in the intersection between human well-being and conservation.
3. Available and affordable capital ensures the viability of the sector and enables these partners to participate in and benefit from sustainable conservation efforts.
4. Positive changes in the triple-bottom line results of enterprises will build lasting business that will deliver long term conservation and economic benefits.

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### **Volkswagen Foundation: Knowledge for Tomorrow - Cooperative Research Projects in Sub-Saharan Africa**

**Deadline** There are no open calls available at the moment. Please check the website again.  
**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** In principle, academic institutions located in other countries are also eligible for funding. Applications must, however, refer to a specific funding initiative. In such cases, concrete details must be supplied to show that a substantial cooperation with researchers in Germany has been agreed upon. Many of the Foundation's funding initiatives require that the German research institute takes the lead with respect to the overall project responsibility.

**Location** Sub-Saharan Africa

**Summary** The funding initiative is open to all disciplines and aims at the development and sustainable reinforcement of research in Sub-Saharan Africa. Research projects, developed and carried out by African scholars and scientists in close cooperation with their German partners, shall provide junior researchers in Africa with an opportunity to enhance their skills and academic qualifications. Special emphasis is put on the development, reinforcement, and extension of academic networks inside Africa.

In order to give effective support, the Volkswagen Foundation elaborates calls for proposals in close cooperation with researchers from the respective field of expertise. For that purpose, the Foundation sets up and carries out thematic workshops by asking scholars to present contributions to current research issues. Travel expenses of participants are covered by the Foundation. As a result of workshop discussions a call for proposals for multi-annual research projects will subsequently be posted on the Foundation's website. Applications for the funding of research projects can only be submitted in the frame of these specific calls for proposals. However, the submission of an application does not depend on a previous participation in the respective thematic workshop.

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 URL: <http://www.volkswagenstiftung.de/funding/international-focus/knowledge-for-tomorrow-cooperative-research-projects-in-sub-saharan->

### **Volvo Environment Prize**

- Deadline** The nomination process for 2010 is now open. To be considered, nominations must be submitted no later than November 15, 2009.
- Amount** The Volvo Environment Prize consists of a diploma, a glass sculpture and a cash award for SEK 1.5 million (approximately EUR 140 000 or USD 190 000)
- Eligibility** The Volvo Environment Prize Foundation invites universities, research institutes, scientists and engineers as well as other individual and organisations to submit nominations for the Volvo Environment Prize. Priority is given to an individual or to a group of named individuals, rather than to institutions.
- Location** International
- Summary** The Volvo Environment Prize is awarded for "Outstanding innovations or scientific discoveries which in broad terms fall within the environmental field". The Volvo Environment Prize is awarded by an independent foundation, which was instituted in 1988. Laureates represent all fields of environmental and sustainability studies and initiatives.
- Contact** The Volvo Environment Prize Foundation, c/o Ms Annelie Karlsson, Centre for Environment and Sustainability (GMV), Chalmers University of Technology, SE-412 96 Göteborg, Sweden.  
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### **Wallace Global Fund**

- Deadline** NA
- Amount** NA
- Eligibility** NA
- Location** NA
- Summary** "The website is currently under construction and will relaunch shortly. In the meantime, please email inquiries to [tkroll@wgf.org](mailto:tkroll@wgf.org). Grantseekers may email to this address a letter of inquiry of no more than two pages that includes information on the non-profit status of the applicant, current operational budget, and income sources. Staff will reply as soon as possible. Thank you."
- Contact** NA

### **Water Research Commission (WRC)**

- Deadline** The annual call for submission of proposals has now closed. Please check the website again for updates.
- Amount** The total investment in research for 2008/09 amounts to approximately R119 million (approx. USD 15 million). Funding of new research projects constitutes the largest portion of this amount (approximately R74 million - approx. USD 9.5 million). The remaining portion is made up of contracted commitments (roll-over) allocations for consultancies, workshops and conferences, research sponsorships and mobility funding for capacity building. The latter supports mobility of researchers with a view to building competence in historically disadvantaged research organisations and individuals, and is additional to the capacity building which takes place primarily through the involvement of students in research projects.



The strategic allocation of research project funds between the KSAs addresses the overall needs of the water sector and the country and is reflected in the research portfolio of each KSA. The allocation for 2008/09 resulted in Water Resource Management receiving 30% of the funds, Water-Linked Ecosystems 14%, Water Use and Waste Management 29% and Water Utilisation in Agriculture 22%. The balance of 5% is reserved for the central fund.

**Eligibility**

Submission by a South African institution, organisation or individual, for research to be funded and executed in South Africa. It is not permissible to support research or researchers outside South Africa with research funds contributed by South African water users.

**Location**

South Africa

**Summary**

The WRC operates in terms of the Water Research Act (Act 34 of 1971) and its mandate is to support water research and development as well as the building of a sustainable water research capacity in South Africa. The WRC serves as the country's water-centred knowledge 'hub' leading the creation, dissemination and application of water-centred knowledge, focusing on water resource management, water-linked ecosystems, water use and waste management and water utilisation in agriculture.

The WRC has five key strategic areas (KSAs) which relate to water-centred knowledge, each providing an integrating framework for investment in addressing a portfolio of key water-related needs. These KSAs allow for multidisciplinary studies and are focused on solving problems related to national needs and supporting society and the water sector. While each of the KSAs is unique and mutually exclusive (minimal overlaps), they collectively attempt to cover the complete spectrum of water-related topics of strategic importance. Of the five key KSAs, four are water-centred and address investment focused mainly on knowledge creation, while the 5th addresses mainly knowledge dissemination and information management.

The focus of each of the KSAs is as follows:

**KSA 1: Water Resource Management**

Generating the knowledge, tools and skills to ensure that water resources of South Africa are protected, utilised, developed, conserved and managed to achieve environmental, social and economic sustainability.

**KSA 2: Water-Linked Ecosystems**

Providing knowledge to ensure sustained functioning of aquatic ecosystems and ongoing provision of ecosystem goods and services.

**KSA 3: Water Use and Waste Management**

Researching effective and efficient water service provision to, and use of water in, the domestic, industrial and mining sectors. This includes the prevention of pollution and the development of technologies for treatment of water and wastewater.

**KSA 4: Water Utilisation in Agriculture**

Meeting needs of present and future generations of subsistence and commercial farmers through researching the role water (quantity and quality) plays in agriculture and forestry and supporting the development of water-efficient production technologies, decision-support models and information systems.

**KSA 5: Water-Centred Knowledge**

Providing internal, knowledge-based support for the WRC and service to the water sector and society through IT services, knowledge sharing, scientific

communication and the furthering of public understanding of science.

In addition, four Impact Areas provide for an integrated view of research investments within and across the KSAs, as they relate to the key national priorities of society, economy, the environment and public health. Each domain has a research portfolio which draws together relevant research projects that fall under the management of the four water-centred KSAs.

### **Funding Streams**

The WRC's research portfolio has funds allocated to research in the following categories:

1. Solicited research
2. Non-solicited research
3. Consultancies (solicited or non-solicited)

The WRC's investment in research and development (R&D) is mainly through research projects and programmes in the solicited and non-solicited categories. Research proposals are invited on an annual basis in these two categories only, in accordance with the WRC's annual funding cycle. Consultancy research agreements are usually initiated from within the WRC. There is no formal call for proposals in this category.

Following the initial screening, the focus of the selection process is primarily on the applicability of the research and the quality of the proposal. The criteria are basically similar for both solicited and non-solicited research proposals. Furthermore, the selection criteria help to ensure that the WRC's expectations and requirements with regard to strategic initiatives such as capacity development, equity and re-dress, knowledge dissemination, innovation, commercialisation and leveraging of resources will be met.

The selection criteria include:

1. Applicability and relevance to the needs of society and to the WRC's strategic research objectives
2. Scientific/Technical credibility
3. Potential contribution to capacity building and competence development
4. Innovation
5. Knowledge application/commercialisation
6. Knowledge dissemination
7. Leveraging of resources
8. Financial and in-kind contributions from organisations other than the WRC
9. Anticipated value for money (through critical assessment of the proposed budget)
10. Track records of research team, project leader and lead organisation (where applicable)
11. Make-up of the research team with regard to equity and redress

### **Contact**

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## **Wetlands International: Wetlands and Livelihoods Programme (WLP)**

*Builds upon the previous program - Wetlands and Poverty Reduction Project (WPRP)*

**Deadline** Project Duration: Dec 2008 Until Dec 2010  
**Amount** NA  
**Eligibility** NA  
**Location** DAC1 countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America.  
**Summary** The Wetlands and Poverty Reduction Project (WPRP) has invested significantly in showing the link between poverty and environment. From 2007 through 2010 the Dutch Ministry of Development Cooperation (DGIS) will also support the Wetlands and Livelihoods Programme (WLP), which will build on the results of the WPRP. The Wetlands and Livelihoods Programme will focus even more on mainstreaming sustainable wetland management principles into poverty reduction strategies, showing the links between wetlands and health and including strong private sector involvement.

**Contact** The project is divided into three intervention strategies these relate to Demonstration, Capacity Building, Influencing Policy. The project's overall objective demands that they are all integrated and focused on a few common policy goals. The end result of combining demonstration, capacity building and policy influence must be policy change and changed implementation of policy. Wetlands International Headquarters, Horapark 9, 6717 LZ Ede. The Netherlands. Tel: +318-660910 Fax: + 31 318-660950  
Contact person: Marie-Jose Vervest URL:<http://south-asia.wetlands.org/WHATWEDO/Allourprojects/tabid/639/mod/601/articleType/ArticleView/articleId/2285/Wetlands-and-Livelihoods-Programme-WLP.aspx>  
For more information on the Wetlands and Poverty Reduction Project (WPRP):  
<http://www.wetlands.org/Whatwedo/Projects/WetlandsandPovertyReductionProjectWPRP/Aboutthisproject/Historyandfuture/tabid/1013/Default.aspx>

## **Whitley Fund for Nature (WFN): The Whitley Awards**

**Deadline** 31st October 2009  
**Amount** At each Whitley Award Ceremony there are up to nine Whitley Awards of £30,000 each, plus the Whitley Gold Award. The Gold Award WFN's top Award, worth £60,000 over to years. It is awarded annually to the Whitley Award winner whose work and objectives most impress the Judging Panel each year. The further funding provided by this Award grants a second year of funding to the Gold Award winner. All of the Whitley Award winners are automatically considered for the Gold Award, so there is no separate application process.  
**Eligibility** The Whitley Awards are open to all, and applicants do not need to be nominated. Conservationists working anywhere in the world are welcome to apply, although there is a strong bias towards nationals working in their own countries and for projects based outside the developed world.  
**Location** Whitley Awards have been awarded to people around the world, but applications from individuals working in locations where international funds are hardest to raise, most needed, and will make the largest conservation impact are given priority over others. Most of their funding goes to the 'developing' world where biodiversity remains high.

**Summary** The Whitley Fund for Nature (WFN) is a UK registered charity offering a range of Awards and grants to outstanding nature conservationists around the world. They locate and recognise some of the world's most dynamic conservation leaders and support projects founded on good science, community involvement and pragmatism. Above all, they champion passionate individuals who are committed to precipitating long-lasting conservation benefits on the ground. Through a process of reference, application and interview, WFN identifies effective national and regional conservation leaders and celebrates them through Whitley Awards.

A Whitley Award is designed to provide the winner with:

1. International recognition that enhances their credibility
2. Worldwide media visibility for their project
3. Financial support to pursue their ongoing conservation work
4. A supportive international network of other Whitley Award winners and Friends through which to solicit advice and support.

WFN has a broad scope of interest. Threatened habitat conservation, projects utilising flagship species as a focal point for mobilising local communities, sustainable fishing/farming projects which reduce pressure on wild resources, or which utilise wild resources sustainably, wildlife-people conflict resolution, in-situ conservation of endangered species – all would be projects they are interested in.

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## **W.K. Kellogg Foundation**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** NA

**Location** The Kellogg Foundation's commitment to development in southern Africa began in the mid-1980s. Across the region, the Kellogg Foundation's grants focused on the seven countries of: Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Swaziland and Zimbabwe.

**Summary** In October 2008, the Kellogg Foundation announced temporarily suspending operations in the regional office in Pretoria, South Africa. Today, the office continues to remain closed, and has not been accepting new grant applications for the southern Africa region.

In light of the continuing effects the global economic downturn has had on its asset base, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation has undertaken a significant review of its program implementation model and has decided to adopt a more cost-effective delivery model to fulfill its philanthropic mission in southern Africa. In June 2009, the Kellogg Foundation announced the closing of its office in Pretoria, South Africa. Rest assured that the Foundation remains committed to their programming in southern Africa.

**Contact** If you have questions about our Africa grantmaking, please call 269-969-2325 or email [africa@wkkf.org](mailto:africa@wkkf.org). URL: <http://www.wkkf.org/default.aspx?tabid=1163&ItemID=190&NID=312&LanguageID=0>

## **Wolf Foundation: The Wolf Prizes**

<b>Deadline</b>	Nominations should be received no later than August 31. Proposals received after this date will only be considered the following year.
<b>Amount</b>	The prize in each field consists of a certificate and a monetary award of \$100,000. In the event of two or three recipients sharing the prize, the honorarium is divided equally.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Proposals of candidates for the prizes are accepted for consideration only if submitted by the following: the president of a national academy of sciences and humanities; the rector of a university or other institution of higher learning; the director of a research institute; the dean of a faculty, or head of department in one of the prize fields; the director of a scientific or artistic organization or association; the head of a music conservatory; the head of an art museum - in the field of painting or sculpture; the recipient of a Wolf Prize - only in his or her field; and other scientists or artists, invited by the Foundation to submit candidates.
<b>Location</b>	No restrictions
<b>Summary</b>	<p>The Wolf Foundation began its activities in 1976, with an initial endowment fund of \$10 million donated by the Wolf family. The Foundation's founders and major donors were Dr. Ricardo Subirana y Lobo Wolf and his wife Francisca. Annual income from investments is used for prizes, scholarships and Foundation operating expenses. The aims of the Foundation are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To award prizes to outstanding scientists and artists--irrespective of nationality, race, color, religion, sex or political views--for achievements in the interest of mankind and friendly relations among peoples</li><li>2. To award scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students, and grants to scientists engaged in research at Israeli institutions of higher education.</li></ol> <p>Since 1978, five or six prizes have been awarded annually in the Sciences. Prize fields comprise: agriculture, chemistry, mathematics, medicine and physics. In the Arts, the prize rotates annually among architecture, music, painting and sculpture.</p>
<b>Contact</b>	The Wolf Foundation, 39, Hama'apilim Street, Herzlia Pituach 46548, Israel. Telephone: 972-9-955 7120 Fax: 972-9-954 1253 E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@wolffund.org.il">info@wolffund.org.il</a> URL: <a href="http://www.wolffund.org.il/main.asp">http://www.wolffund.org.il/main.asp</a>

## **Women's World Summit Foundation (WWSF): Prize for Women's Creativity in Rural Life**

<b>Deadline</b>	Nomination materials should arrive no later than 31 March through the post.
<b>Amount</b>	\$1000.- per laureate (as of 2009) and \$3000.- for African women's organisations
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Nominees should be women and women's groups currently active in rural life whose efforts have not yet been acknowledged by other awards. They may not nominate themselves.</li><li>2. The nominating organisation or individual must have direct experience of the nominee's work. The nominator may not nominate a family member, be a member of the nominated organisation, nor can an organisation nominate its senior officer (i.e. founder, president etc.). No more than 3 nominees may be presented by the same person/organization in the same year. The nominator commits to organise an award ceremony if the candidate is selected for the Prize and invite the media.</li></ol>
<b>Location</b>	Worldwide

**Summary** The Prize honors women and women's groups around the world exhibiting exceptional creativity, courage and commitment for the improvement of the quality of life in rural communities (344 prizes awarded so far). The Prize aims to draw international attention to laureates' contributions to sustainable development, household food security and peace, thus generating recognition and support for their projects. While rural women are vital in providing examples of sound practice in their communities, they still do not have full access to tools needed for development, such as education, credit, land rights and participation in decision making. By highlighting and awarding creative development models, innovations and experiences enhancing the quality of rural life, WWSF participates in addressing the eradication of rural poverty, gender mainstreaming and women's empowerment.

WWSF has a commitment to award annually 5-10 creative rural women and women's groups around the world. Laureates are selected by an international Jury composed of WWSF Board of Directors; are announced officially on 1 September and celebrated on 15 October - World Rural Women's Day - at a special award ceremony in Geneva.

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URL: <http://www.woman.ch/june09/women/1-introduction.php>

## **The World Bank: Development Marketplace (DM)**

**Deadline** See summary (2009 Global Competition on Climate Adaptation)

**Amount** See summary

**Eligibility** See summary

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** Development Marketplace (DM) is a competitive grant program administered by the World Bank and supported by various partners that identifies and funds innovative, early-stage projects with high potential for development impact. DM competitions – held at the global, regional and country level – attract ideas from a range of innovators, including civil society groups, social entrepreneurs, academia and businesses. DM has awarded more than \$54 million in grants, supporting projects through their proof of concept phase. Using DM funding as a launching pad, projects often go on to scale up or replicate elsewhere, winning prestigious awards within the sphere of social entrepreneurship.

Competitions are held at the global, regional and country level. While at each level competitions have specific characteristics, as outlined below, all loosely follow the same structure:

1. A call for proposals is open
2. Applications undergo rigorous scrutiny by development experts from inside and outside the World Bank who select finalists
3. Finalists are brought together at the Marketplace to present their ideas to the public and participate in networking and knowledge sharing events
4. A jury comprised of seasoned development professionals from inside and outside the World Bank interview the finalists during the Marketplace and then selects the projects for DM funding. The winners are announced at the close of the Marketplace.



### **1. Global competitions:**

- a. Grant size: Up to \$200,000
- b. Length of implementation: Up to two years
- c. Competition theme: Sector-based (i.e., water and sanitation, health and nutrition, etc)
- d. Objective: Identify and fund innovative projects with large potential for development impact
- e. Frequency of competition: Every 12 to 18 months
- f. Location of Marketplace: Washington, DC
- g. Event administrator: DM team in Washington, DC

### **2. Country and regional competitions:**

- a. Grant size: \$10,000 to \$50,000, depending on country
- b. Length of implementation: Up to one year
- c. Competition theme: Linked to World Bank country strategy
- d. Objective: Identify and fund innovative projects that address country-specific development issues
- e. Frequency of competition: Six to nine countries per year
- f. Location of Marketplace: Country-specific
- g. Event administrator: World Bank country office

### **The 2009 Global Competition on Climate Adaptation**

Deadline: May 18, 2009

The 2009 global competition is funded by the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and additional DM partners. It aims to identify 20 to 25 innovative, early-stage projects addressing climate adaptation. A project could receive up to US\$200,000 in grant funding for implementation over two years. The competition on climate adaptation focuses on three sub-themes:

1. Resilience of Indigenous Peoples Communities to Climate Risks
2. Climate Risk Management with Multiple Benefits
3. Climate Adaptation and Disaster Risk Management

Special eligibility criteria apply to sub-theme one. For sub-themes two and three, non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, foundations and development agencies based in the country of implementation may apply without additional partners. All other groups must partner with at least one organization; the type of partnership varies across types of applicants.

See here for details:

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### **World Bank: Japan Social Development Fund (JSDF)**

**Deadline** Invitations to submit JSDF grant proposals are usually issued three times a year.

The Trust Fund Operations (TFO) Department sends out the invitation for submission of proposals which includes the guidelines for preparation of proposals, the list of eligible countries, guidelines for technical review and other useful information.

<b>Amount</b>	The size of a JSDF grant can range from US\$200,000 to US\$2 million for the JSDF regular program. In very exceptional cases, grants may go up to US\$3 million. In these cases, prior clearance should be sought from the Trust Fund Operations (TFO) Department. International market rates should be used to cost the activities.
<b>Eligibility</b>	JSDF grants can be proposed by local governments, NGOs, or civil society groups, but must be prepared and submitted by a Bank staff.
<b>Location</b>	Only low-income and lower middle-income countries (as defined in the most recent World Development Report) are eligible for both project and capacity-building grants. See here for list of eligible countries: <a href="http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTJSDF/Resources/JSDF_Eligible_Countries_Sep_2008.pdf">http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTJSDF/Resources/JSDF_Eligible_Countries_Sep_2008.pdf</a>
<b>Summary</b>	The Japan Social Development Fund (JSDF) was established in June 2000 by the Government of Japan (GoJ) and the World Bank as a united mechanism for providing direct assistance to the poorest and most vulnerable groups in eligible World Bank group member countries.

The main purpose of the JSDF is to finance activities which:

1. Respond directly to the needs of the poorest and most vulnerable groups;
2. Encourage the testing of innovative methods that are new or alternative approaches at the project, country, or regional level, or that facilitate new partnerships or assist new target groups;
3. Support initiatives that lead to developing sustainable outcomes through the adoption or scaling-up of the pilot project through Bank-financed operations, recipient government activities, or other activities; or
4. Build ownership, capacity, empowerment and participation of local communities, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and other civil society groups to facilitate their involvement in operations financed by the World Bank.

Two types of grants can be supported under the JSDF:

1. **"Project Grants"** are for activities directly providing relief measures that address demand-driven poverty reduction needs and support innovative approaches; and
2. **"Capacity Building Grants"** are for activities that strengthen service delivery at the grass roots level through learning by doing or expanding the capabilities or coverage of social fund-type institutions. They can also support measures nurturing positive interactions among local government, communities, interest groups, and non-governmental organizations in ways geared to generate substantive incremental benefits.

### **JSDF Seed Fund**

A Seed Fund has been established to finance grants of up to US\$50,000 for the costs of participatory preparation of the grant. The seed fund grant will finance consulting services, including those from community consultation experts, local consultation costs, and incremental Bank staff travel and subsistence. The seed fund grant will not finance Bank salaries. The grant implementation period is a

maximum of 12 months from the date of approval by TFO. The output is expected to be a well-developed JSDF Grant.

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### **World Bank: Post Conflict Fund (PCF)**

**Deadline** NA

**Amount** NA

**Eligibility** The Post-Conflict Fund makes grants to a wide range of partners (institutions, nongovernmental organizations, United Nations agencies, transitional authorities, governments, and other civil society institutions) to provide earlier and broader World Bank assistance to conflict-affected countries.

**Location** NA

**Summary** The Post-Conflict Fund (PCF) of the World Bank was established in 1997, to enhance the World Bank's ability to support countries in transition from conflict to sustainable peace and economic growth. As innovative work in uncertain and fragile conflict-affected societies is often not possible through normal sources of World Bank funding, the Post-Conflict Fund (PCF) supports planning, piloting and analysis of ground-breaking activities through funding governments and partner organizations in the forefront of this work. The emphasis is on speed and flexibility without sacrificing quality.

Grants are focused on the restoration of the lives and livelihood of war-affected population, with a premium placed on innovative approaches to conflict, partnerships with donors and executing agencies and leveraging resources through a variety of funding arrangements.

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### **World Bank: Social Development Civil Society Fund (CSF)**

*Formerly known as the Small Grants Program*

**Deadline** The Small Grants Program is administered by participating World Bank Country Offices. Not all Country Offices participate in the Small Grants Program. Guidelines and application forms are available from the participating World Bank Country Office in January. The Small Grants Program makes decisions only once a year by June. Applicant organizations should apply at least four to six months in advance of the date of the grant activity.

**Amount** Most grants are in the range of \$3,000 to \$7,000 with a maximum of \$15,000. The Small Grants Program rarely funds more than half of the proposed budget for an activity, and therefore prefers that its grants help leverage additional contributions from other sources.

**Eligibility** 1. Civil society organizations based in a developing country and working on issues of development can apply for a grant.

2. Civil society organizations must be in good standing, as well as have a record of achievement in the community and record of financial probity.

**Location** See here for list of Participating Country Offices:  
<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/TOPICS/EXTSOCIALDEVELOPMENT/EXTSMALLGRANTS/0,,contentMDK:20507441~menuPK:1234307~pagePK:64168445~piPK:64168309~theSitePK:952535~isCURL:Y,00.html>

**Summary** Country ownership of the development agenda is a key principle of the World Bank's approach to reducing poverty and inequity for people in low and middle income countries. This principle underpins the Bank's emphasis on broad-based stakeholder participation in development, as well as its recognition of civil society organizations as key partners in the development efforts.

Created in 1983, the Social Development Civil Society Fund (CSF- formerly known as the Small Grants Program) is one of the few global programs of the World Bank that directly funds civil society organizations. It is a concrete tool to aid in the advancement of the Bank's social development agenda to empower poor and marginalized groups. With funds from the Development Grants Facility, the program is administered through participating World Bank Country Offices reaching civil society organizations through transparent and competitive processes.

The purpose of the CSF is to strengthen the voice and influence of poor and marginalized groups in the development processes, thereby making these processes more inclusive and equitable. To this end, it supports activities of civil society organizations whose primary objective is encouraging and supporting civic engagement of these target populations. By involving citizens who are often excluded from the public arena, and increasing their capacity to influence policy and program decisions, the CSF helps facilitate ownership of development initiatives by a broader sector of society.

The Small Grants Program supports activities whose primary objective is civic engagement. In addition:

1. Activities may include, but are not limited to workshops and seminars to enhance civic engagement skills and/or knowledge; appropriate communication campaigns to influence policymaking or public service delivery; or innovative networking efforts to build the capacity of the particular sector.
2. The activity should be completed within one year of the date the grant is awarded.
3. Priority shall be given to organizations that have not been supported by the Program in previous years.

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## **World Challenge 2009**

**Deadline** Timeline of the competition:  
16th February - Nominations Open

22nd May 2009 - Nomination Closed  
29th June 2009 - Finalists Announced  
28th September 2009 - Voting Starts  
13th November 2009 - Voting Closes  
5th December 2009 - Winners Announced

**Amount** The winner of the World Challenge 2009 will receive a grant of \$20,000. In the event of a tie for first place, the top two Finalists will receive a grant of \$15,000 each and the third Finalist will receive a grant of \$10,000.

**Eligibility**

1. Innovative projects or ideas that demonstrate an entrepreneurial spirit working for the benefit of the community whilst adopting a responsible approach.
2. Projects/Small business that show initiative, the innovative use of technology or an invention.
3. Projects/Small business that increase investment into the local community.
4. Projects/Small business that take a responsible approach to the environment in which they are operating.

**Location** Global

**Summary** Now in its fifth year, World Challenge 09 is a global competition aimed at finding projects or small businesses from around the world that have shown enterprise and innovation at a grass roots level. World Challenge 09 is brought to you by BBC World News and Newsweek, in association with Shell, and is about championing and rewarding projects and business which really make a difference.

Each nomination must fall under one of the following categories:

**1. Community welfare and enterprise**

This is the broadest category: small and medium-sized businesses that are making profits for the benefit and welfare of communities ranging from neighbourhoods to villages to urban area and can include recycling as a business, manufacture of biodegradable goods, eco-tourism, protection and revival of small scale fisheries, employment of handicapped and other disadvantaged people.

**2. Health & education**

Preventive health care such as effective sanitation, clean water provision, low cost health care, alternative medicines and health care that are proven effective, new cures and treatment; education with practical applications and education which promotes gender equality and education for the disadvantaged.

**3. Sustainable farming**

Agricultural businesses and projects that have a prime emphasis on soil health and fertility, lasting returns, wildlife friendliness, good nutrition, crop and domestic animal diversity, water efficiency, agro-forestry, equitable distribution of income, fair and efficient marketing, innovation in lessening dependence on chemical inputs, avoidance of animal cruelty (such as free range).

**4. Energy**

New and renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, wave, hydro, hydrogen and thermal. Applications including energy efficient transport, cooking and domestic and industrial uses. Cost-saving measures inclusive of fuel efficient stoves, insulation, efficient uses of fossil fuels and integrated power systems.

## 5. Water

Sustainable and equitable use of salt as well as freshwater resources such as preventing pollution and microbial contamination from households, farms and factories; treating polluted and 'grey water' for re-use; rainwater harvesting and other forms of water conservation and augmentation; conservation of wetlands, marshes and coastal zones as well as protection of local fisheries for the benefit of the disadvantaged.

## 6. Environment

Essentially all environmentally-sound businesses and projects not falling into the previous five categories. Primarily, these will consist of those endeavours that have a positive impact on the environment by either creating conditions for this to occur or curtailing past practices that were injurious to the environment.

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## The World Food Prize

**Deadline** To be considered, nominations and all seconding and supporting documents must be postmarked or electronically dated by April 1 of the year for which they are to be considered.

**Amount** The name of the World Food Prize Laureate is made public in the Spring of the year. The \$250,000 award and sculpture by world-renowned artist Saul Bass are then presented in a special Laureate Award Ceremony at the Iowa State Capitol in Des Moines on or near World Food Day in mid-October.

**Eligibility** Nominations are sought of an individual or individuals having demonstrated exceptional achievement in any field involved in enhancing food production and distribution and increasing food availability and accessibility to those most in need. Any academic or research institution, private or public organization, corporate entity, or governmental unit may submit a nomination for The World Food Prize.

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** The World Food Prize is the foremost international award recognizing -- without regard to race, religion, nationality, or political beliefs -- the achievements of individuals who have advanced human development by improving the quality, quantity or availability of food in the world. The Prize recognizes contributions in any field involved in the world food supply -- food and agriculture science and technology, manufacturing, marketing, nutrition, economics, poverty alleviation, political leadership and the social sciences.

The World Food Prize emphasizes the importance of a nutritious and sustainable food supply for all people. By honoring those who have worked successfully toward this goal, The Prize calls attention to what has been done to improve the world food supply and to what can be accomplished in the future.

Fields of achievement include, but are not limited to: soil and land; plant and animal science; food science and technology; nutrition; rural development; marketing; food processing and packaging; water and the environment; natural resource conservation; physical infrastructure; transportation and distribution; special or extraordinary feeding programs; social organization and poverty elimination; economics and finance; policy analysis; and public advocacy.



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## **Zayed International Prize for the Environment**

**Deadline** Deadline for Submission of Nominations: December 2009

**Amount** Awarded on a biennial basis, the Prize recognizes and promotes pioneering contributions in the field of environment and sustainable development. The Zayed Prize is classified into three award categories:

1. Global leadership in environment and sustainable development: US\$ 500,000
2. Scientific/ technological achievements in environment: US\$ 300,000
3. Environmental action leading to positive change in society: US\$ 200,000

Each prize winner will receive the award (shared equally in case of more than one winner from each category), a Trophy and a Zayed Prize Diploma at a special award ceremony to be held in Dubai, UAE, at the end of each cycle.

**Eligibility** All three categories are open to individuals, organizations and partnerships or projects. Organizations can be Governmental (GO), Non-Governmental (NGO), Community Based (CBO), or Private Enterprises (PE).

**Location** Worldwide

**Summary** The Zayed Prize is the world's most valuable environmental award, worth US\$1 million. It was established in 1999 by H.H. Sheikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the Vice President and Prime Minister of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Dubai, in recognition of the philosophy, vision and achievements of former President, Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan, Mercy be upon him, who worked tirelessly to preserve and protect the environment for future generations of his country, the region and the world.

### **Objective**

To recognize and promote major pioneering contributions in the field of environment and sustainable development, in accordance with the development philosophy and vision of the late Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan, and in support of global initiatives such as the Agenda 21, the Millennium Development Goals, and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation for Sustainable Development.

The Zayed Prize is open to individuals, organizations, partnerships and projects. The prize can be awarded for achievement over a long period of time or for a single outstanding initiative. The nominee must have:

1. Advanced the cause of the environment and its contribution to sustainable development.
2. Mobilized regional/global efforts towards addressing sustainable development issues.
3. Successfully solved a major environmental problem, or accomplished sustained environmental improvement for a period of time.
4. Contributed significantly to intellectual, scientific or theoretical approaches to environmental concerns.
5. Brought to public or policy makers' attention significant environmental issues and/or succeeded in mobilizing action toward their solution.
6. Undertaken environmental activities and initiatives at the grass roots level, leading to positive change in society, and which can serve as a model for

replication.

Only nominations will be considered. Self nomination and applications will not be accepted.

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