

**[Twas Members] Call for nominations\_TWAS Prizes and TWAS-Siwei Cheng Prize in Economic Sciences**

Distinguished TWAS Member,

I am pleased to inform you that the on-line call for nominations for the following two prizes is now open:

- the 2019 TWAS Prizes
- the 2019 TWAS- Siwei Cheng Prize in Economic Sciences.

The 2019 TWAS Prizes will be awarded in recognition of an outstanding contribution to knowledge in the following nine fields of science: Agricultural Sciences; Biology; Chemistry; Earth, Astronomy and Space Sciences; Engineering Sciences; Mathematics; Medical Sciences; Physics and Social Sciences (excluding Economic Sciences).

The 2019 TWAS-Siwei Cheng Prize in Economic Sciences will be awarded to an individual scientist for outstanding contribution in both understanding and addressing economic sciences.

This prize reflects the Chinese Academy of Sciences' strong support to TWAS and, more generally, to build scientific capacity in the developing world.

In particular, in each field, candidates for the above prizes must meet at least one of the following qualifications:

- Scientific research achievement of outstanding significance for the development of scientific thought.
- Outstanding contribution to the application of science and technology to sustainable development.

The outstanding contribution may be defined in relation to existing opportunities and realistic possibilities available to the candidate. This applies particularly to candidates from scientifically disadvantaged countries.

In either cases candidates must be individual scientists who have been living and working in a developing country for at least ten years immediately prior to their nomination.

Members of TWAS and candidates for TWAS membership are not eligible for these prizes.

On behalf of the TWAS Council, I invite you to nominate qualified candidates to be considered for these prizes.

Please especially consider women scientists and candidates from scientifically lagging countries.

Nominations for the above mentioned prizes can only be submitted electronically through the on-line platform by clicking on the:

- “New Nomination” button, to start a new nomination;
- “Resume” button, i.e. to resume working on saved nominations.

These buttons are available from the following web pages:

<http://twas.org/opportunity/twas-prizes>

<http://twas.org/opportunity/twas-siwei-cheng-prize-economic-sciences>

The deadline to submit complete nominations is Thursday 15 March 2018.

Counting on your collaboration, I send you my best regards.

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