

UNESCO International Literacy Prizes

Call for applications and nominations

Deadline: 12 July 2023

Promoting literacy for a world in transition

Every year, the UNESCO International Literacy Prizes reward excellence and innovation in the field of literacy around the world to promote effective and innovative practices and encourage dynamic literate societies.

This year's theme focus on promoting literacy for a world in transition and on building the foundation for peaceful and sustainable societies.





UNESCO King Sejong Literacy Prize

Supported by the Government of the Republic of Korea. the Prize rewards activities

that promote mother language-based literacy development.



UNESCO Confucius **Prize For Literacy**

Supported by the Government of the People's Republic of China, the Prize rewards

activities that promote literacy, including functional literacy, leveraging technological environments, in support of adults in rural areas and out-of-school youth.

The process is composed of an application and a nomination:

Deadline for applications:

28 June 2023

Deadline for nominations:

12 July 2023

Who can apply?

- → Individuals, institutions and organizations promoting literacy.
- → Specific programmes with a proven record of innovate work in the field of literacy for at least three years.
- → Programmes that have not been awarded the UNESCO International Literacy Prizes in the past five years.

How to apply?

- \rightarrow Request your user account through this link https://unes.co/ilp-account. You will then be able to proceed to the online application form
- \rightarrow Fill in and submit the electronic application form in English or French to UNESCO's Secretariat via the concerned Member States through the National Commission for UNESCO by 28 June 2023 (midnight, Paris time). If applying through an International Non-Governmental Organization (NGO), which maintains official relations with UNESCO, please provide project information and request a nomination letter directly from the NGO, to be attached to the electronic application form by 12 July 2023.

For Member States and NGOs: How to nominate?

National Commissions: You will receive a notification by email (associated to your UNESCO account) every time applicants wish you to nominate their applications. Please review the submissions received, and nominate up to three applications for the UNESCO Confucius Prize for Literacy and up to three applications for the UNESCO King Sejong Literacy Prize. Submit the nominations with written recommendations to UNESCO by 12 July 2023 (midnight, Paris time), using the link in the notification email.

NGOs: If solicited, review the candidature(s) and send a letter of nomination to the chosen applicant(s) directly, which they can attach to the electronic application form.



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