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Subject: **Call for nominations for the Carlos J. Finlay UNESCO Prize for Microbiology**

Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your Government to submit nominations for the Carlos J. Finlay UNESCO Prize for Microbiology.

Funded by the Government of Cuba, the Prize aims to reward the efforts of an individual or institution, or of a non-governmental organization or other entity which, through research and development, has made an outstanding contribution to the field of microbiology (including immunology, molecular biology, genetics, etc.) and its applications.

The candidates should be designated by the governments of Member States, in consultation with their National Commissions for UNESCO, science institutions and associations, and non-governmental organizations in official partnerships with UNESCO and active in relevant fields covered by the Prize. Nominations or applications from individuals will not be accepted.

Nomination for the Prize should be submitted to the UNESCO Director-General at the address indicated hereunder and no later than on 30 July 2017:

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A written recommendation, which shall include either five hard or five electronic (USB key/CD/DVD) copies, in English or French, of the following items, should accompany the nominations:

- (a) a description of the candidate's background and achievements;
- (b) a summary of the work or the results of the work, including publications or any other relevant supporting documentation; and,
- (c) a definition of the candidate's contribution to the Prize's objective.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Irina Bokova  
Director-General

cc: National Commissions for UNESCO  
Permanent Delegations to UNESCO

