

**The Assistant Director-General  
For Priority Africa and External Relations a.i.**

To all Permanent Delegates  
and Observers to UNESCO

cc: National  
Commissions for  
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Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Director-General, I am pleased to invite your Government to submit nominations for the 2026 edition of the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social and Human Sciences Research in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Established in 2009 and funded by the Government of the Dominican Republic, this Prize recognizes research conducted by young social science researchers specializing in social development policies in connection with Latin America and the Caribbean. Candidates must be under 40 years old. Nationality is not a criterion; however, the research submitted must address issues relevant to the Latin America and Caribbean region.

The author or authors of the thesis awarded the 2026 Prize will receive USD 12,000.

Attached to this letter are the Statutes of the Prize (Annex I), as well as the documents to be included in the nomination files (Annex II).

Each nomination file must include a written recommendation outlining the candidate's background, achievements, and research work demonstrating a contribution to social transformations in Latin America and the Caribbean. Applications must be submitted through your National Commission by email no later than 15 February 2026 at midnight (UTC+1, Paris time) to the following address: [premio.juan.bosch@unesco.org](mailto:premio.juan.bosch@unesco.org).

I invite you to disseminate this call for nominations widely within your country's research community, academic and training institutions, public and private organizations, and other stakeholders involved in the social sciences.

Further information on the Prize and the nomination process can be found here: [Juan Bosch Prize](#).

The Secretariat of the Prize (e-mail: [premio.juan.bosch@unesco.org](mailto:premio.juan.bosch@unesco.org)) remains at your disposal for any questions or additional assistance.

Your sincerely,



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