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Subject: **Call for nominations for the UNESCO International Literacy Prizes 2024**

Sir/Madam,

I hereby have the honour of launching the call for nominations for the 2024 edition of the UNESCO International Literacy Prizes, on the theme **“Promoting multilingual education: Literacy for mutual understanding and peace”**.

Established in 1967, these Prizes are sponsored by the Republic of Korea and the People’s Republic of China, and respectively reward the three laureates of the UNESCO King Sejong Literacy Prizes, and the three laureates of the UNESCO Confucius Prizes for Literacy. They are awarded every year to individuals, governments, and non-governmental organizations in recognition of their distinguished contribution to the promotion of literacy.

Nominations must take into consideration this year’s theme, as well as the vision of each Prize, which is “mother language-based literacy development” for the UNESCO King Sejong Literacy Prize, and “the promotion of literacy, including functional literacy, leveraging technological environments, in support of adults in rural areas and out-of-school youth” for the UNESCO Confucius Prize for Literacy.

The nomination process will take place via our online platform. Candidates are first invited to submit their applications to their National Commissions for UNESCO, by completing the [online application form](#).

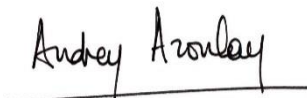
National Commissions for UNESCO will then select up to three nominees for each Prize to represent their country in 2024, and transmit these nominations, in English or French, by **19 July 2024 at the very latest**.

UNESCO invites you to widely disseminate this call for nominations in your country among local public authorities, public and private learning and training institutions, NGOs, companies and other stakeholders involved in literacy programmes.

Further information on the UNESCO International Literacy Prizes and the nomination process can be found on the [dedicated website](#).

Any enquiries regarding the nomination process can be addressed to the Secretariat of the Prizes (Section of Youth, Literacy and Skills Development, Education Sector, tel.: +33 1 45 68 08 59; e-mail: [literacyprizes@unesco.org](mailto:literacyprizes@unesco.org)).

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Audrey Azoulay", written over a horizontal line.

Audrey Azoulay  
Director-General

Enc.: Statutes of the UNESCO King Sejong Literacy Prize  
Statutes of the UNESCO Confucius Prize for Literacy  
Leaflet on the nomination process

cc: Permanent Delegations to UNESCO  
National Commissions for UNESCO  
UNESCO Institutes for Education  
Field Offices of UNESCO