

To: Presidents, Secretaries General and Treasurers of International Scientific Unions
Interdisciplinary Bodies and Joint Initiatives contact points
National Scientific Members contact points
International and National Scientific Associates contact points

10 September 2008

Dear Colleagues,

Subject: Call for Applications for the ICSU Grants Programme 2009

On behalf of the ICSU Executive Board, I am pleased to inform you of the Call for Applications for the ICSU Grants Programme 2009. The Programme Statement and Schedule, as well as the Application Form are available in the Member Zone of the ICSU web site, and the deadline for receipt of applications is **1 December 2008**.

All applications must be submitted by email to maureen@icsu.org. Only the electronic application format is acceptable and applications received in other formats will not be considered. Please note that **only** applications led by ICSU Scientific Unions, Interdisciplinary Bodies, or Joint Initiatives and supported by other ICSU bodies and partners will be accepted.

The total funding available for grants in 2009 is Euro 300,000. To ensure a reasonable number of grants can be funded in 2009, applications for up to **a maximum of Euro 30,000 will be considered**.

Proposals should target themes in the ICSU Strategic Plan 2006-2011. In particular, we encourage applications for collaborative work with the ICSU Regional Offices focusing on their priority areas (see Statement and Schedule).

The roles of Supporting Applicants and any other partners in preparing and carrying out the proposed work must be made clear in the application. A Work Plan of the project, including detailed estimates on the planned use of the ICSU grant, must accompany the application form. Applicants are also advised to check that they have met all of the specified requirements prior to formal submission.

The ICSU Grants Programme is strictly reserved for ICSU Members and we request that you do not pass the information and the application form on to individuals or institutions outside the ICSU family.

For any further information on the Grants Programme, please contact Maureen Brennan at the ICSU Secretariat (Maureen@icsu.org).

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



Thomas Rosswall
Executive Director

cc: ICSU Regional Offices

Attachments:

- Application Form
- Statement and Schedule