

## GRANTS FOR 2010 PROJECTS

At the IAP Executive Committee meeting in Ottawa in September 2008, it was agreed that this third call for proposals will be brought forward and the process started earlier to allow for more time for peer review. Funds allocated will be available from January 2010. IAP invites applications from member academies and networks for IAP funded projects which would run from January 2010.

### TIMELINE

<b>Friday 15 May 2009</b>	Deadline for receipt of proposals at IAP Secretariat.
<b>June-August</b>	Peer review of the proposals submitted
<b>September 2009</b>	Meeting of IAP Programmes Committee and IAP Executive Committee to select projects for funding
<b>October 2009</b>	Announcement of projects to be funded in 2010
<b>January 2010</b>	New activities begin

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## APPLICATION FORM

Proposals can be submitted **ONLINE ONLY** by IAP Member Academies or Networks of Science Academies. See: [www.interacademies.net](http://www.interacademies.net) for submission information. Only new programmes should apply for funding in 2010. See +

## CRITERIA

The criteria against which proposals will be reviewed are as follows:

1. **GLOBAL SCOPE:** Broad regional support from academies/networks and activities shared across a number of different countries/regions– *since IAP is a worldwide network and has regional networks of science academies, an application will be more favourably reviewed if it comes from several geographically diverse member academies and networks, to show broad support and involvement and is regionally relevant.*
2. **STRATEGIC FIT:** Programmes which are aligned to IAP's core missions of capacity building and strengthening academies ability to influence policy, which can be implemented in partnership with sister organizations (i.e. IAC, IAMP) and which do not duplicate effort elsewhere – *this will ensure that all activities funded by the IAP are aligned to the core goals of the organisation, as well as the Strategic Plan.*
3. **RESULTS:** A clearly defined set of outputs from the Programme – *especially in terms of tools which IAP member academies and networks can use nationally or regionally to influence policy, and/or which will strengthen those academies or networks. This focuses the efforts of the Programme into the production of deliverables which will have a life beyond the duration of the programme, as well as allowing us to share the results widely*
4. **STRUCTURE AND VALUE FOR MONEY:** A clear budget for the activity, including the support requested from IAP for the expected duration of the Programme, indication of financial or in-kind contributions from participating academies, networks and other organisations, and a clear workplan with milestones for the duration of the project – *a clearly broken-down budget for the activity showing that it has been planned appropriately, and that lets IAP have clarity in the allocation of its funding. To ensure the activities are sustainable, IAP will expect participating academies or networks to contribute, when possible, at least some of the resources for the initiative (for instance staffing costs). This will also indicate that academies and networks are properly resourced to be able to carry out the activity.*

## DURATION

- + An IAP- supported Programme will be an activity involving several IAP member academies and/or networks that will last for up to **three years**, at which point the organisers can re-apply for continuation of funding. Each year the programme will be evaluated against the originally agreed criteria. Subsequent years' funding is dependent on a positive evaluation. A currently IAP-supported Programme should therefore provide a progress report before 31 August 2009 which will be evaluated by an independent committee to verify if funding can be continued for a subsequent year.

## PROCESS

Once all applications have been received, they will be sent to a number of independent reviewers, who will evaluate the applications against the set of criteria listed above. The IAP executive committee will decide how much of the budget can be allocated to these activities and approve programmes depending on financial limits, and the comments of the reviewers. The results will be communicated to IAP members soon thereafter.