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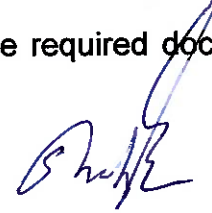
**Subject: - Invitation for Nomination: WMO Awards**

Reference WMO Secretariat letter No. 19770/2024/SI/YSA/2025 dated 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2024, 18721/2024/SG/POMI dated 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 and Mariolopoulos – Kanaginis Foundation for the Environmental Sciences, has announced following Awards and invited nomination(s) for the potential researchers.

- i. The WMO Research Awards for Young Scientists 2025 (Deadline: 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2025).
- ii. Seventieth International Meteorological Organization(IMO) Prize (awarded in Geneva in June, 2025)
- iii. Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund Award 2026 (Deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> September,2025)

2. Eligible Researchers / Scientists may submit the required documents for Awards, to this office for evaluation and consideration.

Encl: (As stated)



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4 December 2024

Annex: 1

Subject: WMO Research Awards for Young Scientists 2025

Action required: Submission of nominations by **20 January 2025**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may be aware, the World Meteorological Congress, at its seventeenth session held in May/June 2015, encouraged its Members to continue to support the WMO Research Awards for Young Scientists through the submission of papers related to atmospheric science and hydrology. It also approved the guidelines to be followed for the presentation of the award (see Annex).

In accordance with these guidelines, I have the pleasure to invite you to submit the nomination of candidates for the 2025 award. The number of nominations submitted by each Permanent Representative should not exceed two. The nominations should be submitted in electronic version via e-mail to Ms Kate Solazzo (ksolazzo@wmo.int) together with a short curriculum vitae of the candidate (the candidate's date of birth and email address should be mentioned on it).

It would be very much appreciated if your nominations for the award could be received at your earliest convenience, but not later than **20 January 2025**.

Yours faithfully,

*J.P. (Co)*  
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Ms Ko Barrett  
for the Secretary-General



To: Permanent Representatives of Members with WMO

cc: Hydrological Advisers

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**WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION (WMO)**

**GUIDELINES TO BE USED FOR THE GRANTING OF  
WMO RESEARCH AWARDS FOR YOUNG SCIENTISTS**

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**1. PURPOSE**

The purpose of the WMO Research Awards is to encourage young scientists, preferably in developing countries, working in the fields of meteorology, climatology, environmental science and hydrology.

**2. CRITERIA FOR GRANTING AWARDS**

- (a) Each award shall be made for an outstanding scientific research paper;
- (b) Awards shall be made to young scientists not exceeding the age of 35 at the time of nomination;
- (c) Only one paper should be submitted for each candidate;
- (d) Workers in all fields of meteorology will be eligible, but members of the WMO Executive Council may not submit papers authored by themselves for the award;
- (e) Awards to nominees from a Region may be divided. The award may also be divided between two co-authors provided that both meet the other criteria for the granting of the award;
- (f) Only papers which have been published in scientific journals will normally be eligible for consideration. However, a summary of a successfully defended PhD thesis would also be acceptable;
- (g) Papers published in languages other than the working languages of WMO will be eligible for consideration if accompanied by full translations in one of the working languages plus an extended summary;
- (h) Only papers published during the four-year period immediately preceding the year in which the nomination is made will be eligible for consideration;
- (i) Papers that have previously won international prizes will not be eligible.

**3. METHOD OF SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS**

- (a) All Permanent Representatives of Members of a WMO regional association will be invited to submit nominations during a specified period in accordance with a schedule established by the Secretary-General. Preference, however, should be given to the nomination of young scientists coming from developing countries who have prepared their work there;
- (b) Nominations, together with four copies of papers in a WMO working language (original or translation) and an adequate summary should be submitted by permanent representatives to the president of the regional association concerned through the WMO Secretariat before the specified time limit;
- (c) The number of nominations by each Permanent Representative should not exceed two.

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**4. METHOD OF SELECTION**

- (a) Each president of a regional association should nominate three persons as assessors who should be distinguished scientists normally resident within the Region and who will not themselves be eligible for the awards. The Secretary-General should obtain a list of regional assessors to facilitate this procedure;
- (b) Each assessor should allot a mark to each paper, which should be a digit in the range 0 (lowest) to 5 (highest) and submit these evaluations to the president of the regional association. The evaluation should be based on the following: significance of the topic, novelty of ideas and methods, value of results and quality of presentation, with equal weight being assigned to each of these sectors. On the basis of the experts' marks, the president of the regional association will forward to the Secretary-General the name of the candidate receiving the highest aggregate marks (if two candidates tie for top place, both nominations may be submitted);
- (c) The final selection of the award-winner(s) among the candidates from all Regions will be made by a Selection Committee of not more than four members of the Executive Council, specifically constituted for this purpose at its session immediately following the Congress;
- (d) The nominations submitted by each Region, together with the original papers, will be provided to each member of the Executive Council Selection Committee by the Secretary-General at least two months before a session of the Executive Council;
- (e) The Executive Council Selection Committee may not recommend an award if none of the papers submitted is of sufficiently high standard.

**5. NATURE OF AWARDS**

The award will consist of a citation and an amount of US\$ 1,000.

**6. AWARD CEREMONY**

The arrangements for the presentation of the award will depend in each case upon the prevailing circumstances and will be decided by consultation between the permanent representative who submitted the nomination and the Secretary-General.

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Annex: 1

The Secretariat of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of Members of WMO to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva and has the honour to refer to the seventieth International Meteorological Organization (IMO) Prize that will be awarded in Geneva in June 2025.

The Secretariat has the further honour to kindly request the Permanent Missions' assistance in transmitting the attached letter from the Secretary-General, Professor Celeste Saulo, to the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The WMO Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, the assurances of its highest consideration.



20 November 2024

To: Permanent Missions of Members with WMO to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva

I have the further honour to invite you to send the nomination form with the required attachments to the following email address: IMOPrize\_nominations@wmo.int.

This letter is being sent to Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office for transmission and a copy is being sent to the Permanent Representatives of Members with WMO and Hydrological Advisers.

Accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Prof. Celeste Saulo  
Secretary-General

Ref.: 10720/2024.14 SG

The name of candidates presented by Members (Minister of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission of Member State with WMO or the Permanent Representative of Member State/Territory with WMO) will be referred to the IMO Prize Selection Committee, if they do not fall into any of the following categories:

- (a) Members of the Executive Council who, as electors, are not eligible for the award during their term of office as members of the Executive Council;
- (b) Candidates who are no longer alive on the date of their nomination. The award may nevertheless be made posthumously to a candidate who passed away between the date of nomination and the award of the Prize.

### ***Nominee***

Include name, professional and home mailing address, present occupational title and institutional affiliation. Please attach to your nomination email along with the signed Nomination Form a curriculum vitae or résumé, a list of publications (all scanned as PDF) and a summary of accomplishments (MS Word file).

### ***Summary of accomplishments and video presentations***

Provide a brief statement (1 to 2 pages) of the individual's achievements in the fields for which the award is proposed as indicated in the Eligibility section. This statement is requested electronically in MS Word format to facilitate translation. Be precise and factual and follow the guidance provided in the Nomination Form.

Please also submit two short video recordings supporting the candidate: one video by the Permanent Representative or the relevant nominating authority; and the other video by the candidate themselves. The videos should last no longer than 5 minutes each and be in one of the official WMO languages.

### ***Length of candidacy***

The length of candidacy spans the four-year financial period of the World Meteorological Organization. A candidate submitted for a given Prize but not chosen for the award of that year is retained on the list of candidates for subsequent prizes during that financial period. The current financial period of WMO for which the nomination is to be considered is from 2024 to 2027.

NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION (IMO) PRIZE

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NOMINEE (name in full):

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DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH:

NATIONALITY:

ADDRESS:

Telephone:

Email:

EDUCATION:

HONOURS:

RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS AND SCIENTIFIC PAPERS

(Please attach to your nomination email a list of publications in PDF format but not the publications themselves.)

RELEVANT INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES:

CURRICULUM VITAE

(Please attach to your nomination email a curriculum vitae in PDF format.)



**ANNEX TO THE NOMINATION FORM FOR THE IMO PRIZE**

**TEMPLATE**

**SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS (NAME OF NOMINEE)  
FOR THE IMO PRIZE**

Ref.: 18720/2024-14 SG

Brief description of 1 to 2 pages of recent achievements, particularly attained within the last five years, in at least one of the following areas:

- (i) Advancing weather, climate and water science, and/or its applications to society;
  - (ii) Leadership of the international weather, climate and water community, with a particular emphasis on furthering the purpose of WMO; communicating weather, climate and water science and/or increasing public engagement in the field of weather, climate and water science and its application.
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**MARIOLOPOULOS - KANAGINIS FOUNDATION FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**

**Subject: "WMO Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund Award for 2026"**  
**Action: Nominations should be received before September 30, 2025**

The "Mariolopoulos-Kanaginis Foundation for the Environmental Sciences" is a non-profit non-governmental Organization aiming at promoting and awarding atmospheric environmental research. The "WMO Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund Award", established by its Board of Directors under the auspices of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) of the UN, is granted every two years and accompanied by a prize of US\$ 2,000 and a Certificate. The Foundation provides additional US\$ 3,000 to the awardee.

The "WMO Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund Award" is presented for an outstanding research paper in atmospheric sciences, published during the last two years in a refereed journal by a young scientist (age below 35 years on the date of publication).

Nominations can be made by:

- a. the National Committees of the International Association of Meteorological and Atmospheric Sciences (IAMAS)
- b. IAMAS Commissions
- c. by the Directors of the National Meteorological Services
- d. self-nominations are also accepted

The nomination should include:

- a. three reprints of the paper
- b. brief curriculum vitae of the nominee
- c. a reference letter by a senior scientist or a Member of the National Meteorological Service

The nominations and the papers must be submitted in one of the official WMO languages (English, French, Spanish, Russian). Non-English papers should be accompanied by a translation in English. The nominations should be sent to:

**Mariolopoulos-Kanaginis Foundation for the Environmental Sciences**  
**"WMO Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund Award"**  
**Patriarchou Ioakim 30-32, 10675 Athens, Greece**

**and electronically to [info@mariolopoulosfoundation.gr](mailto:info@mariolopoulosfoundation.gr)**

Πατριάρχου Ιωακείμ 30-32, 106 75 Αθήνα Τηλ.: 210 3623861, Fax: 210 3623862, e-mail: [info@mariolopoulosfoundation.gr](mailto:info@mariolopoulosfoundation.gr)

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Deadline for submission is the **30<sup>th</sup> of September, 2025**. The method of selection includes the establishment of a Reviewing Committee comprised of distinguished scientists in the field of atmospheric sciences. The Committee members are designated by the Secretary-General of WMO, the Directorate General of Research of EU and the Board of Directors of the Foundation. The Foundation may decide not to give the award, if none of the papers submitted is of a sufficient high scientific standard. The award is presented to the awardee by the Secretary-General of WMO or a representative of WMO or the Foundation at an appropriate scientific meeting or Ceremony.

The Mariolopoulos - Kanaginis Foundation  
Athens, 3 December 2024

*More details could be found at: [www.mariolopoulosfoundation.gr](http://www.mariolopoulosfoundation.gr)*

**Extract of paragraphs 7.2.6 and 7.2.7 and Annex VI  
from the final Report of the 47<sup>th</sup> session  
of the Executive Council of WMO  
Geneva, 1996**

**Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund Award**

**7.2.6** The Council noted with appreciation the proposal to establish a Trust Fund to commemorate the distinguished contributions of the late Professor Mariolopoulos to modern meteorology and climatology particularly in Greece, his native country. Beginning in 1996, the Trust Fund would provide every second year an award to stimulate research and understanding of the atmospheric environment. It was agreed that for this Trust Fund, the Secretary-General representing WMO would make the decisions concerning the evaluation of candidates and the utilization of financial resources (see Annex VI) in collaboration with the Mariolopoulos - Kanaginis Foundation (MKF).

**Future Awards**

**7.2.7** The Council, whilst supportive of the commemorative awards and the research efforts which they recognized, noted that the selection process consumed an increasing amount of its time. It therefore decided that future awards approved by the Council should be completely self-supporting and the selection process conducted outside the session of the Executive Council.

**ANNEX VI**

**Annex to paragraph 7.2.6. of the general summary**

**Agreement on the Establishment  
of the Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund Award**

**WHEREAS**

- (1) The Mariolopoulos - Kanaginis Foundation (MKF) wishes to commemorate the distinguished contributions of the late Professor Mariolopoulos to meteorology by establishing the Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund Award in atmospheric environment.
- (2) The World Meteorological Organization is prepared to administer such a fund;

**IT IS AGREED** by the Mariolopoulos - Kanaginis Foundation (MKF), on the hand, and the World Meteorological Organization, represented by its Secretary-General, on the other that:

1. Upon receipt from the Mariolopoulos - Kanaginis Foundation (MKF) of the sum of US \$30,000 to be deposited to WMO in 1995, the Secretary-General will establish the Professor Mariolopoulos Trust Fund. This is done on the understanding that a similar amount will be deposited by May 1996 in addition to US \$2,000 to grant the initial award in June 1996;
2. The US \$30,000 Fund shall be invested by the Secretary-General and the interests derived there from shall be used in the prescribed manner for the following purposes:
  - (a) Financial grants shall be made every second year beginning in 1996 (provided that sufficient interest has accumulated) in the form of an award to an individual, either for a distinguished contribution in the field of Atmospheric Environmental Sciences and / or for an original scientific paper in the field;
  - (b) The awards are intended to stimulate interest in research and the understanding of the atmospheric environment;
  - (c) The awards shall be made by decision of a committee of three distinguished scientists; one designated by the WMO Secretary-General; another designated by the Director-General for Science Research and Development of the European Union and the third, to be designated by the Board of Directors of MKF;
  - (d) The award will consist of a medal and a sum of US \$2,000;This Trust Fund will be established for a duration of twenty years, to be considered thereafter in a manner compatible with its initial purpose.