

**University Grants Commission**  
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**New Delhi**

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UGC has received a letter from the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Deptt. Of Higher Education, INC Section along with a copy of the letter from Director General (UNESCO) which is self explanatory.

The nomination for the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean-2012 may please be sent to Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. Of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi directly latest by 1<sup>st</sup> Feb.2012. It may be noted importantly there will be no financial liability on the part of the UGC.

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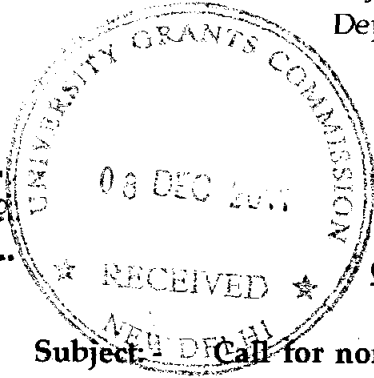
Ministry of Human Resource Development

Department of Higher Education

(INC Section)

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Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi  
Dated the 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2011



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Dy. No. 188/46  
Date 21/12/11

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject:** Call for nominations for the UNESCO /Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean - 2012.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the letter No. CL/3983 dated 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2011 received from Director General (UNESCO) on the subject mentioned above.

The purpose of the Prize is consistent with UNESCO's main policy lines and ties in with the Organization's programme in the field of the social and human sciences. It is requested that the nomination, if any, of suitable candidates may be sent to this Ministry latest by **1<sup>st</sup> February, 2012** in the prescribed proforma enclosed with the UNESCO's letter cited above, for onward transmission to UNESCO Office, Paris for their consideration.

(Veena Dunga)  
Under Secretary (ICC)  
Telefax: 2338

Encl.: as above.

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3. Chairman, UGC,
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The Minister of Human Resource Development,  
Communications & Information Technology  
New Delhi  
(India)

18 OCT. 2011

Ref.: CL/3983

Subject: **Call for nominations for the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean – 2012**

Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to invite your Government to submit nominations for the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean, which will be awarded for the first time in 2012.

This UNESCO Prize will be awarded every two years for the best social science thesis written by young researchers in the Latin America and Caribbean region, and that has made a significant research contribution to the promotion of social science research geared to social development policy.

The Prize was instituted by the Executive Board in 2009, at the initiative of the Government of the Dominican Republic. In creating the Prize, the Member States on the Executive Board recognized the remarkable contribution of Professor Juan Bosch to the study of social and political processes in the Dominican Republic and the Caribbean region. An author, politician, social analyst and fervent advocate of democratic values and a culture of peace in Latin America and the Caribbean, he made a particular impact in the Dominican Republic and the entire region.

In accordance with its Rules, the Prize consists of a diploma and a monetary award for the successful candidate. The Rules governing the Prize are contained in Annex I to this letter.

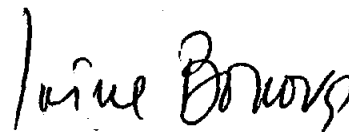
Nominations may be made, in English or Spanish, by the governments of UNESCO's Member States, in consultation with their National Commissions. They may be made also by non-governmental organizations maintaining formal consultative relations with UNESCO. Nomination files should be submitted by **29 February 2012** at the latest. Member States may not submit more than three candidates for any one edition of the Prize.

To: Ministers responsible for relations with UNESCO

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I should be grateful if your submissions could be made using the attached nomination form (Annex II), which should be duly filled out in Spanish or English and returned, together with supporting documentation on the work carried out by the candidate, to Mr Germán Solinís, Executive Secretary for the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize in the Social and Human Sciences Sector (1, rue Miollis, 75732 Paris Cedex 15; tel.: +33 1 45 68 38 37; fax: +33 1 45 68 57 20; e-mail: g.solinis@unesco.org), who is at your disposal for any further information you may require.

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



Irina Bokova  
Director-General

Enclosures: 2

cc: National Commissions for UNESCO  
Permanent Delegations to UNESCO



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## Executive Board

Hundred and eighty-first session

PARIS, 25 April 2009  
Original: Spanish

### Item 56 of the agenda

## INSTITUTION OF A UNESCO/JUAN BOSCH PRIZE FOR THE PROMOTION OF SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

### SUMMARY

This item has been included in the provisional agenda of the 181st session of the Executive Board at the request of the Dominican Republic and all the other Member States of the Latin America and Caribbean Group (GRULAC) of UNESCO.

An explanatory note and a draft decision proposed by the Dominican Republic are attached.

Action expected of the Executive Board: decision proposed in paragraph 9.

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

1. In the light of the objectives of the Medium-Term Strategy for 2008-2013 (34 C/4), particularly overarching objective 3, "Addressing emerging social and ethical challenges", and its relationship with strategic programme objective 7, "Enhancing research-policy linkages on social transformations",
2. Taking into account the new strategy and criteria outlined in the Report by the Director-General on the overall review of UNESCO prizes (171 EX/19), pursuant to 171 EX/Decision 24,
3. Having examined Blue Note No. 18 of 21 May 2008 and 25 June 2008 by the Director-General, which draws attention to coordination of the strategy and administration of the UNESCO prizes, and taking into consideration the recommendations of the Director-General contained in document 180 EX/INF.13,
4. The delegation of the Dominican Republic proposes the institution of a "UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean", awarded every two years for the best social science thesis written by young people in the Latin American and Caribbean region. This proposal is submitted with the support of the Latin America and the Caribbean Group (GRULAC) and in coordination with the delegations of Cuba, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Costa Rica – countries in which Professor Juan Bosch lived in exile and which have been historically linked to the experience of democracy in the Dominican Republic.
5. Professor Juan Bosch – author, politician, social analyst and fervent advocate of democratic values and a culture of peace in Latin America and the Caribbean – made an impact through his work on life in the Dominican Republic and in the entire region. His significant contribution to literature, to storytelling and to novel- and essay-writing has made him a mentor for writers, short-story writers, essayists, journalists and historians, among them some of the most outstanding figures of Latin America and the Caribbean. Similarly, his patriotism, public-spiritedness, honesty, courage and militancy, as a ruler and leader, have made him a symbol of national dignity, a source of great pride to our peoples and an example to be followed for present and future generations.
6. Professor Juan Bosch, through his work in sociology and history, made a remarkable contribution to the study of social and political processes in the Dominican Republic and the Caribbean region, which justifies this prize in the field of the social sciences.
7. In connection with the 2009 commemoration of the centenary of Professor Bosch's birth, the Dominican Republic presents this prize to reward those candidates who, through their research, have made an exceptional contribution towards improving the knowledge and understanding of the critical issues affecting contemporary society and enhancing the role of the social sciences in furthering our understanding of contemporary social challenges. This prize will motivate young people of the region and will encourage intellectual exchange and dialogue in Latin America and the Caribbean.
8. The prize is sponsored by the Government of the Dominican Republic and the Juan Bosch Foundation. The Dominican Government will bear the initial financial cost of three biennia, depositing the amount of \$125,000 in a special account with UNESCO, in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Organization.

**Action expected of the Executive Board**

9. In the light of the foregoing, the Executive Board may wish to adopt the following decision:

The Executive Board,

1. Bearing in mind that the Government of the Dominican Republic, with the support of the Latin America and the Caribbean Group (GRULAC) and in coordination with the delegations of Cuba, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Costa Rica, proposes the establishment of a “UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean”, awarded every two years for the best thesis in social sciences written by young people in the region,
2. Taking into account that this proposal is consistent with UNESCO’s objectives and policies and ties in with overarching objective 3, “Addressing emerging social and ethical challenges” of the Medium-Term Strategy 2008-2013, and with strategic programme objective 7, “Enhancing research-policy linkages on social transformations”,
3. Taking into account that the proposed prize complies with the new strategy and criteria for UNESCO prizes as set out in document 171 EX/19, in accordance with 171 EX/Decision 24,
4. Having examined document 181 EX/56,
5. Expresses its deep gratitude to the countries that support and collaborate in this initiative, in particular the Government of the Dominican Republic for its generous offer of a donation of US \$125,000, which will cover all ordinary operational costs relating to this Prize for three biennia;
6. Approves the Statutes of the “UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean”, as set out in Annex I to document 181 EX/56;
7. Takes note of the financial regulations that govern the special account established for this Prize, as set out in Annex II to document 181 EX/56;
8. Urges Member States and other donors to support this initiative and thus strengthen UNESCO’s programmes in the field of research in the social sciences.

**ANNEX I**

**Statutes of the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of  
Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean**

*Article 1 – Purpose*

The purpose of the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean is to reward social science research work by young researchers in Latin America and the Caribbean which has contributed to stronger research-policy linkages. The purpose of the Prize is consistent with UNESCO's main policy lines and ties in with the Organization's programme in the field of the social and human sciences [overarching objective 3 in the Medium-Term Strategy (2008-2013), "Addressing emerging social and ethical challenges", and strategic programme objective 7, "Enhancing policy-research linkages on social transformations"].

*Article 2 – Designation, amount and periodicity of the Prize*

2.1 The Prize shall be entitled the "UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean".

2.2 The Prize shall be financed by the Government of the Dominican Republic and shall consist of a single donation of US \$125,000, which will concomitantly cover the monetary value of the Prize and the administrative costs for three biennia. Any interest accruing on this amount will be added to the overall contribution. The Prize also provides for the publication of the prize-winning thesis from extrabudgetary funds, if available, with the assistance of a publishing house and under the auspices of UNESCO.

2.3 All funds received and the interest accrued thereon shall be kept in a special interest-bearing account for the Prize.

2.4 All staff costs and all operating/management costs of the Prize, including all costs relating to the award ceremony and public information activities, estimated at US \$41,000, shall be fully covered by the Government of the Dominican Republic. To this end, the Director-General will determine a mandatory overhead cost amount to be applied and charged against the funds in the Special Account, which is to be established under the Financial Regulations for the Prize.

2.5 The Prize shall be awarded every two years, initially for three biennia. The Prize amount of US \$10,000 may be divided equally among a maximum of three prizewinners.

*Article 3 – Conditions/Qualifications of candidates*

Candidates shall have made a significant research contribution to the promotion of social science research geared to social development policy. The Prize shall be awarded to the author(s) of the prize-winning thesis.

*Article 4 – Designation/Selection of the prizewinner(s)*

The prizewinner(s) shall be selected by the Director-General of UNESCO in the light of the Jury's assessment of the nominations and on its recommendation.

*Article 5 – Jury*

5.1 The Jury shall consist of three independent members, of different nationalities and gender, appointed by the Director-General for a period of six years renewable. Representatives and alternates of Members of the Executive Board may not be appointed as jurors. Jurors involved in a real or potential conflict of interest shall recuse themselves from further deliberations or be asked



by the Director-General to do so. The Director-General may replace members of the Jury for any legitimate reason.

5.2 The Jury shall elect its own chair. Jurors shall receive no remuneration. A quorum of two jurors will be required for jury deliberations to proceed. The Jury's working languages shall be English and Spanish.

5.3 The Jury shall conduct its work and deliberations in conformity with these Statutes and with the assistance of a member of the UNESCO Secretariat, designated by the Director-General. Its members shall conduct their work individually and shall communicate with each other by email until a decision has been reached. Decisions shall be taken by consensus to the extent possible, and otherwise by a simple majority vote. A juror shall not take part in a vote concerning a nomination from his or her country.

5.4 The Jury shall meet every two years.

5.5 The Jury shall send a nominations assessment and accompanying recommendations to the Director-General of UNESCO no later than eight months after the date of closure of the submission of nominations.

#### *Article 6 – Nomination of candidates*

6.1 When UNESCO has received the funding of the prize, as indicated in Article 2 above, the Director-General of UNESCO shall officially invite the governments of Member States, in consultation with their National Commissions, as well as from non-governmental organizations maintaining formal consultative relations with the Organization and active in relevant fields covered by the Prize, to submit nominations to the Secretariat of the Prize by 31 August at the latest.

6.2 Nominations shall be submitted to the Director-General by the governments of Member States, in consultation with their National Commissions, and by non-governmental organizations maintaining formal relations with UNESCO. A self-nomination cannot be considered.

6.3 Each nomination shall be accompanied by a written recommendation, which shall include, in English or Spanish, *inter alia*:

- (a) a description of the candidate's background and achievements;
- (b) a summary of the work or the results of the work, publications and other supporting documents of major importance, submitted for consideration by the Jury;
- (c) a statement specifying the candidate's contribution to the Prize's objectives.

#### *Article 7 – Procedure for the awarding of the Prize*

7.1 The Prize shall be awarded by the Director-General at an official ceremony held for that purpose in Paris on the occasion of the statutory meeting of the Intergovernmental Council of MOST. UNESCO shall present to the prizewinners a cheque for the amount of the Prize. UNESCO shall officially announce the name(s) of the prizewinners.

7.2 If a work being rewarded has been produced by two or three persons, the Prize shall be awarded to them jointly. Any prize amount may not under any circumstances be shared among more than three persons.

7.3 The prizewinner(s) shall, if possible, give a presentation of the prize-winning works. Such a presentation shall be organized during or in conjunction with the award ceremony.

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7.4 The work produced by a person since deceased shall not be considered for a prize. If, however, a prizewinner dies before he or she has received the Prize, then the Prize may be awarded posthumously (awarded to relatives or an institution).

7.5 Should a prizewinner decline the Prize, the Jury shall submit a new proposal to the Director-General.

*Article 8 – Sunset clause – mandatory renewal of the Prize*

8.1 After a period of six years, the Director-General of UNESCO, together with the donor, shall undertake a review of all aspects of the Prize and decide about its continuation or termination. The Director-General shall inform the Executive Board of UNESCO of the results of this review.

8.2 In case of termination of the Prize, the use of any unspent balance of funds shall be determined by the Director-General, in accordance with the Financial Regulations for the Prize.

*Article 9 – Appeals*

No appeals shall be allowed against the decision of UNESCO with regard to the award of the Prize. Nominations received for the award of the Prize may not be divulged.

*Article 10 – Amendments to the Statutes of the Prize*

Any amendment to the present Statutes shall be submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

## ANNEX II

### Financial Regulations of the Special Account for the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean

#### *Article 1 – Creation of a Special Account*

- 1.1 In accordance with Article 6, paragraph 6, of the Financial Regulations of UNESCO, there is hereby created a Special Account for the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Science Research in Latin America and the Caribbean, hereinafter referred to as the Special Account.
- 1.2 The following regulations shall govern the operation of the Special Account.

#### *Article 2 – Financial period*

The financial period shall correspond to that of UNESCO.

#### *Article 3 – Purpose*

The Special Account will be used to receive funds for the Prize, the interest produced by these funds and other donations for the promotion of social science research in Latin America and the Caribbean, contributing to the strengthening of research-policy linkages. The Special Account will also be used to cover all costs relating to the Prize, in line with its Statutes and these Financial Regulations.

#### *Article 4 – Income*

The income of the Special Account shall consist of:

- (a) voluntary contributions from States, international agencies and organizations, as well as other entities;
- (b) such amounts provided from the regular budget of the Organization as might be determined by the General Conference;
- (c) such subventions, endowments, gifts and bequests as are allocated to it for purposes consistent with the object of the Special Account;
- (d) miscellaneous income, including any interest earned on the investments referred to in Article 7 below.

#### *Article 5 – Expenditure*

The Special Account shall be debited with the expenditure relating to its purpose as described in Article 3 above, including administrative expenses specifically relating to it.

#### *Article 6 – Accounts*

- 6.1 The UNESCO Comptroller shall maintain such accounting records as are necessary.
- 6.2 Any unused balance at the end of a financial period shall be carried forward to the following financial period.

- 6.3 The accounts of the Special Account shall be presented for audit to the External Auditor of UNESCO, together with the other accounts of the Organization.
- 6.4 Contributions in kind shall be recorded outside the Special Account.

*Article 7 – Investments*

- 7.1 The Director-General may make short-term investments of sums standing to the credit of the Special Account.
- 7.2 Interest earned on these investments shall be credited to the Special Account.

*Article 8 – Closure of the Special Account*

The Director-General shall decide upon the closure of the Special Account at such time as he deems that its operation is no longer necessary and inform the Executive Board accordingly. The Director-General shall decide about the use of any unspent balance of funds.

*Article 9 – General provision*

Unless otherwise provided in these Regulations, the Special Account shall be administered in accordance with the Financial Regulations of UNESCO.

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**ANNEX II**

**UNESCO/JUAN BOSCH PRIZE FOR THE PROMOTION OF  
SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN**

**Nomination Form**

(To be completed in English or Spanish only)

**1. Information about the nominator:**

Note for the nominators:

1. A self-nomination cannot be considered.
2. Each government of a Member State may present a maximum of three nominations if it considers them eligible for the Prize.
3. If the nominator and the nominee are nationals of different Member States, it is recommended that the Permanent Delegation to UNESCO and the National Commission for UNESCO of the nominee's Member State be informed of the nomination.
4. It is necessary to sign or initial every page of the nomination form.
5. Nominators are invited to submit two letters of support, at least, duly signed, from an institution/personality, not related to the nominee, emphasizing the relevance of the nomination vis-à-vis the requirements of the Prize, to accompany the nomination.

**1.1 Nomination submitted by Member State:**

Country	
Nominator (Please indicate the name and title of the officials and organizations, qualified to submit nominations for the Prize on behalf of their Government)	

(The nominators are kindly invited to forward the original nomination form directly to the Secretary of the Prize via the Permanent Delegation to UNESCO of their country, whenever possible. To optimize the handling of nominations, advanced copies of the nomination documents can be sent by electronic mail or fax as indicated in item 3.4 below.)

**In consultation with the National Commission for UNESCO of:**

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(Please indicate the National Commission(s) of which UNESCO Member States have been consulted on the nomination.)

or

**1.2 Nomination submitted by non-governmental organization (NGO):**

<b>NGO / Foundation maintaining official relations with UNESCO</b>
Name and acronym:
Country:
Responsible person: (Please indicate the name and title of the official qualified to submit nomination on behalf of the NGO.)

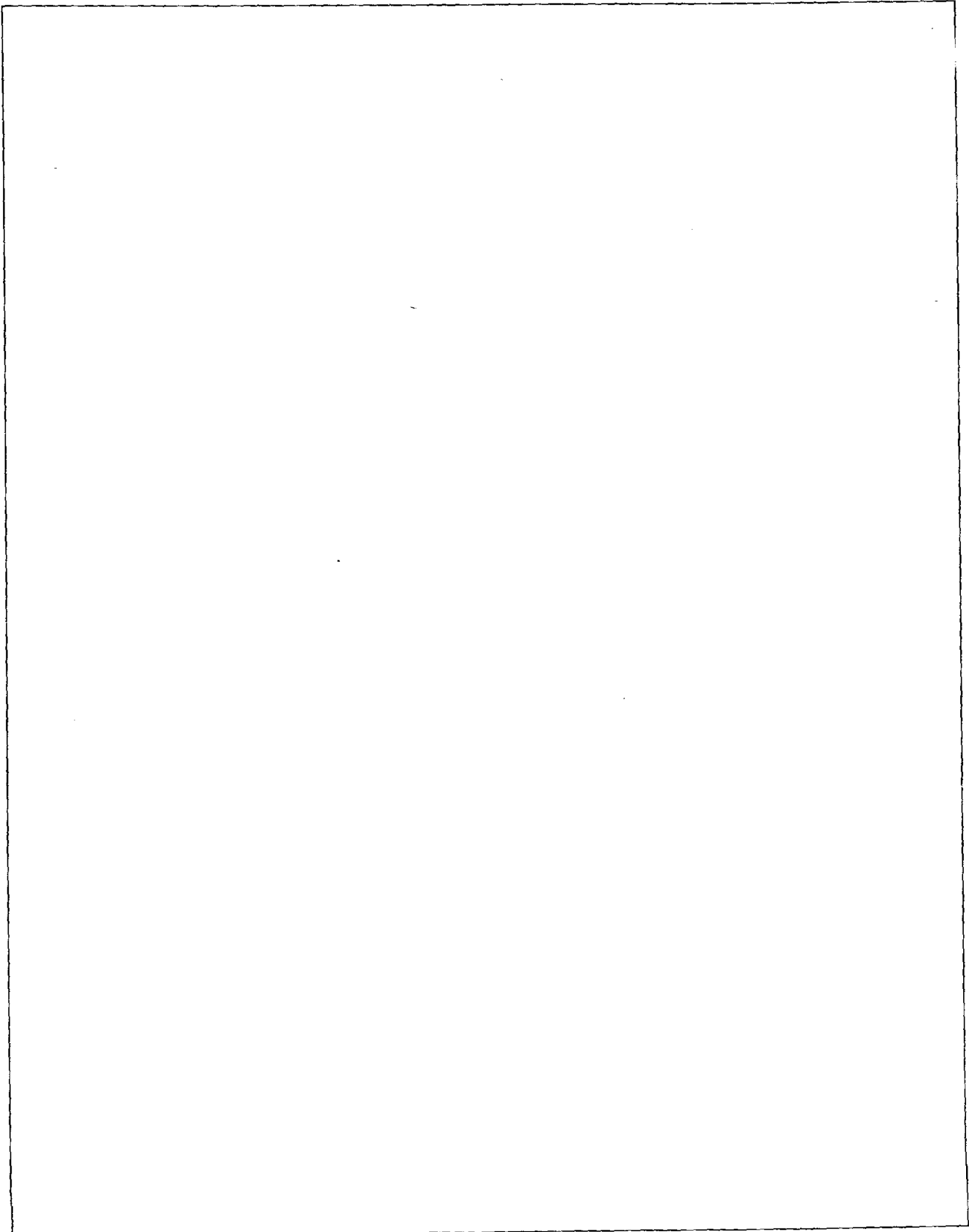
**1.3 Contact details**

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Country:				
Person(s) in charge (full name and function):				
Telephone (please indicate country and city codes):				
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**3. Recommendation**

- 3.1** A summary of the nominee's work or the results of the work for which the candidature is proposed.  
(1/2-1 page).



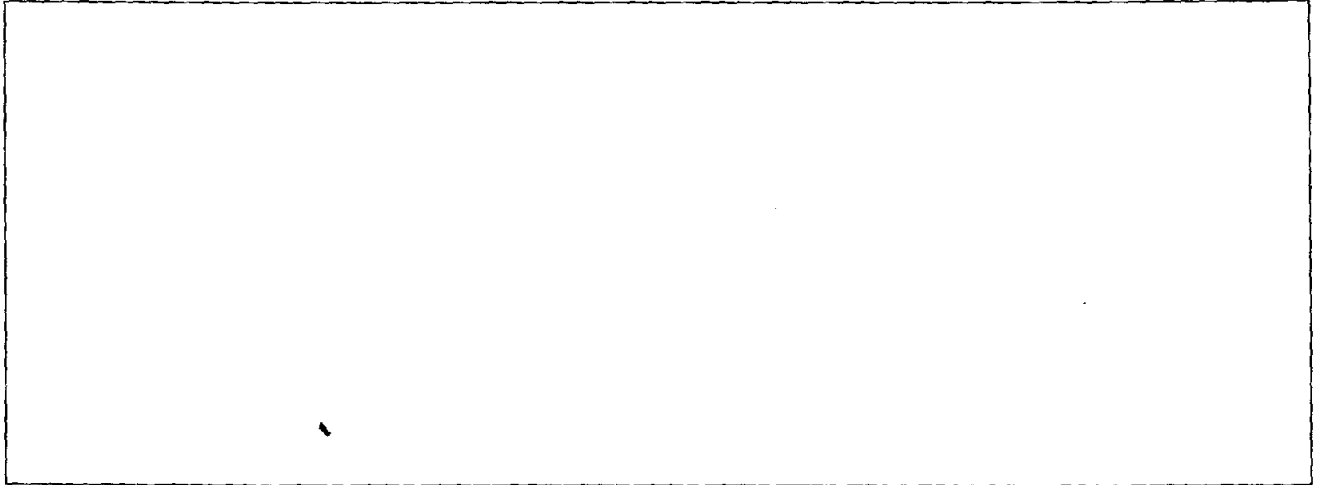


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3.2 Evaluation of this work specifying the candidate's contribution to the Prize's objectives and criteria for the award of this Prize as shown in Articles 1 and 3 of the Statutes (please include external evaluation/appreciation reports, if available) (1/2-1 page).

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**3.3 Signature and stamp of the nominator**



**3.4 Nominations should be submitted by 29 February 2012 at the latest to: Mr Germán Solinis, Executive Secretary for the UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize (Sector of Social and Human Sciences, 1, rue Miollis, 75732 Paris Cedex 15. Tel.: 331 45 68 38 37 – Fax: 331 45 68 57 20 – email: [g.solinis@unesco.org](mailto:g.solinis@unesco.org)).**