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Applications for the year 2007 MAB Young Scientists Awards

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached an application form for the year 2007 Awards (Annex 1), as well as an information note setting out the objectives and the criteria regarding selection of the Awards (Annex 2). In order to facilitate the task of the MAB Bureau regarding selection of awards, the MAB ICC advises MAB National Committees to only endorse candidates that meet the criteria. In this context, the MAB ICC would also like to encourage MAB National Committees to promote women candidates, who, until now, remain a minority in the applications received.

Despite budgetary constraints, I hope that for the year 2007 we will be able to allocate at least another ten MAB Young Scientists Awards. Voluntary financial assistance to the Award Scheme from Member States would help us reach this goal, or even make it possible to allocate additional Awards. Your considerations and possible assistance in this respect would be highly appreciated.

Please note that applications for the year 2007 Awards should reach the MAB Secretariat in Paris **no later than 30 April 2006**. As in previous years, all applications must of course be endorsed and signed by the respective MAB National Committee before they are submitted to the MAB Secretariat. Finally, let me mention that information about the MAB Young Scientists Award Scheme, including the objectives and selection criteria of Awards, as well as application forms, are available on the UNESCO-MABnet on address: <http://www.unesco.org/mab/capacity/award.htm>

Yours sincerely,

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Encl.: Annex 1: Application form for the year 2007 MAB Young Scientists Awards.
Annex 2: MAB Young Scientists Awards Information Note.



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