

To non-governmental organisations

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**The Assistant Director-General
for Priority Africa and External Relations**

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**Subject: Call for nominations for the UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize for the Promotion
of Tolerance and Non-Violence 2022**

Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Director-General, I have the honour to invite your organization to submit nominations the 2022 UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize for the Promotion of Tolerance and Non-Violence.

In these times of uncertainty, we need the values highlighted in the Declaration of Principles on Tolerance, adopted by UNESCO in 1995, more than ever.

The UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize was also established in 1995 to mark the United Nations Year for Tolerance and the 125th anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi. Since 1996, it has been awarded biennially on 16 November, the International Day for Tolerance and the anniversary of the founding of UNESCO.

In 2022, the Prize will be awarded for the 13th time. It consists of a financial award of US \$100,000, offered by the Madanjeet Singh Foundation. The laureate is selected by the Prize jury.

In accordance with the Statutes of the Prize, nominations may be submitted by the Governments of Member States in consultation with their National Commissions, as well as by non-governmental organizations and foundations maintaining official relations with UNESCO and active in a field covered by the Prize.

I am confident you will give this Prize all due attention and propose your country's most qualified candidates.

We would be grateful if you would return the attached nomination form to the indicated address by **15 June 2022** at the latest, so that jury can examine the nominations.

For additional information, please contact the Secretariat of the Prize (tel.: +33 1 45 68 17 70; tolerance.prize@unesco.org).

Information about the Prize, as well as the nomination form, can be found at the following link: www.unesco.org/shs/toleranceprize.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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