# Appeal for a Contribution to TWAS

Three decades ago, TWAS was founded to carry out a vitally important mission: to build science capacity in the developing world and, by doing so, to improve life for millions of people. Today we are proud to say that TWAS is recognized globally for its influence and impact.

To advance our work today and to assure a stable future, we are asking for your help. At our 24th General Meeting in Buenos Aires in 2013, the strategic actions aimed at supporting TWAS's fundraising activities were presented. Soliciting donations from TWAS members and supporters for a voluntary contribution is instrumental to the Academy’s welfare. This appeal will be an ongoing initiative and is a continuation of the TWAS past policies and practices. The contributions are voluntary, of course, but any amount, large or small, helps to assure that we can expand our programmes and endure challenging times in the global economy.

It is our hope that if many people from our extended family can make even a modest donation, the collective impact will be great. We are offering two options:

* **Contributions to specific TWAS Programmes** will be used for direct support of scientists from developing countries.
* **Contributions to the TWAS Endowment Fund:** Interest generated from contributions to the TWAS Endowment Fund will largely be used to cover the overhead costs of the secretariat, allowing all annual contributions and external grants received by TWAS to be applied directly to programmatic activities.

By helping TWAS at this time, you are not only supporting the development of science and technology in the South, but also demonstrating your commitment to the mission and objectives of TWAS. Funds received and used by TWAS will normally leverage and trigger additional resources for the implementation of the TWAS programmes.

Hoping that you will respond favourably to this appeal, TWAS looks forward to your positive response.

Thank you in advance for your support!

***How to donate.*** *Complete the Declaration of Intent below and send it to the Executive Director's office (donate@twas.org). Upon receipt we shall provide you with the banking details necessary.*

# Declaration of Intent

*Please complete the declaration, sign it, and then send it to the TWAS Executive Director’s Office by e-mail (donate@twas.org).*

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| **Yes, I wish to donate to TWAS.** | |
| Name | SURNAME |
| Mailing Address | Nationality    Date of Birth |
| Phone: | eMail: |
| **My contribution is for** *(please tick the appropriate box):*  **TWAS Programmes** Amount (USD):  *If you have a preferred programme, kindly specify which one you would like to support:*    **TWAS Endowment Fund** Amount (USD): | |
| **Authorization clause**  I authorize TWAS to publish my name and the amount of my donation  I prefer to be listed as anonymous | |
| Date | Signature |

*The contribution shall be used in accordance with UNESCO’s rules and with the Financial Regulations of the Fund.*