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(ECLAS – Africa Hub)
SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY ST. PAUL'S UNIVERSITY

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - SCIENTISTS IN CONGREGATIONS 2026-2027

Introduction

Equipping Christian Leadership in an Age of Science (ECLAS) -Africa Project is a regional hub for Africa in partnership with ECLAS-UK, and funded by the John Templeton Foundation. ECLAS Africa is grounded on the perceived conflict between Science and Theology and the need to bridge the gap between the two disciplines for effective policy formulation that promotes life and God's creation. The goal of the project is to develop a contextual theology of science for betterment of African communities by engaging globally and acting locally. More information about us can be obtained on the website; https://eclasafrica.org/

One of pillars informing our work is the Scientists in Congregation (SC). This call invites all the church leaders who are scientists in various field to express their interest on how Science can be enhanced within their communities. *'We want to help you to create spaces of engagement, build confidence and competence around scientific issues, and foster thoughtful, prayerful communities working in the world.'* ECLAS UK.

We invite application for creative project that involves a local congregation and invites the public more broadly. Preference will be given to 6 projects that can have a broad impact, for example producing resources for other congregations to use, or taking place in multiple locations.

How to apply

Prospective applicants should send a short letter of expression (Max of 2 pages) of interest for review (stage 1). Shortlisted applicants will be invited to submit a full application (Stage 2).

Stage 1: Letter of Intent

Should include the following;

i. Project title
ii. Name, Role at the Church/denomination and Contact details (Church/congregational leader)
iii. Name, Role at the Church/denomination and Contact details (the Scientist)

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iv. Details of congregation - what is the specific community of Christians who will engage in the project (e.g., church, chaplaincy, society…)
v. Short introduction of the project – 500 words
vi. Specific Output;
    a. What do you want to do?
    b. Who is the audience?
    c. What is the intended outcome?
    d. What is the budget?
    e. What is the timeline for activities?

Note:

a. A 'congregational leader' might be a chaplain, a regional Christian educator etc Similarly, a 'scientist' might be a nurse, dietitian, engineer etc
b. Proposed projects/activities can be funded to max of KES 350,000 for Max of 6 months. Funding is available for 6 projects.
c. Shortlisted persons will be contacted for a discussion with the intention of converting the expression to a full proposal for funding.
d. Projects with African Instituted Churches are encouraged.
e. Letters should be emailed to DIRECTOR, ECLAS AFRICA HUB – eclas@spu.ac.ke Not later than 25th March 2026.

We look forward to receiving your letter of intent.

THANK YOU