



**Post Title:** Advisor to the TWAS Executive Director

**Domain:** The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS)

**Organizational Unit:** Office of the Executive Director (EDO)

**Primary Location:** Trieste, Italy

**Recruitment open to:** External candidates

**Type of contract:** Individual Consultant – 11 months

**Available compensation budget:** Euro 4,000 per month

**Deadline (midnight, Trieste time):** 7 November 2024 **EXTENDED**

## OVERVIEW OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE POST

### ACTIVITIES AND OUTPUTS:

Under the overall supervision of the UNESCO-TWAS Executive Director, the Consultant will provide advisory support to the Executive Director in fundraising and diplomatic linkages and contacts with Italian institutional counterparts (Italian Government, Friuli Venezia Giulia Region, Trieste Municipality, Italian private sector) for TWAS as well as for the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP) and the Organization for Women in Science for the Development World (OWSD).

In particular:

1. Carefully analyse bureaucratic procedures to liaise with MAECI, the Region and Municipality to seek additional and core funding for TWAS/IAP/OWSD; Ensure the timely transfer of Italian MAECI yearly contribution to TWAS and IAP and contributions from regional/local entities; Enhance the visibility of TWAS, IAP and OWSD within the Italian Government, as well as at regional and local levels; Advise on increased support from Italian sources to programmes, such as the TWAS-SISSA-Lincei programme, and provide guidance on relevant linkages to local/regional industries for hosting of students/trainees (Piano Mattei).
2. Contribute to the work of internal TWAS fundraising committee and provide advice and support to fundraising activities carried out by TWAS, IAP and OWSD, also from private sector and foundations in Italy.
3. Advise on the participation of Italian governmental officials in TWAS high-level activities, such as the TWAS General Conference, science diplomacy events, also enhancing the visibility of these events within the MAECI and diplomatic community.
4. Liaising with relevant Italian governmental offices for the participation of high-level MAECI officials in the opening and ministerial session of the 2025 TWAS General Conference.
5. Assist OWSD in the organization of workshops events, enhancing the visibility and advising in fundraising activity with MAECI.
5. Attend national and local events with Italian institutions and authorities to identify new partnership opportunities and promote TWAS, IAP, OWSD collaborations.

**TIMING:** 1 February 2025 – 31 December 2025 (11 months)

## REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

### EDUCATION

PhD or equivalent in a scientific subject and/or in Diplomatic sciences related areas

### WORK EXPERIENCE

At least fifteen (15) years of professional experience in scientific and diplomatic environments.

Professional experience as a science attaché' and/or with the Italian government and ministries.

In-depth knowledge of the Friuli Venezia Giulia educational system and the Trieste Science System.

### ***SKILLS/COMPETENCIES***

- Accountability
- Communication
- Innovation
- Knowledge sharing and continuous improvement
- Planning and organizing
- Results focus
- Teamwork
- Capacity to work with UN agencies, International Organizations, Government institutions
- Excellent knowledge of Italian

### ***SUPERVISORY ARRANGEMENTS***

The consultant will work under the direct supervision of the UNESCO-TWAS Executive Director.

## **REQUEST FOR WRITTEN PROPOSALS**

In order to complete their online application, candidates have to submit a written proposal to the ICTP Personnel Office at [personnel\\_office@ictp.it](mailto:personnel_office@ictp.it).

Written proposals should address the proposed contribution towards the output of each activity.

## **MORE INFORMATION**

Please note that all candidates must complete an on-line application and provide complete and accurate information. No modifications can be made to the application submitted. The evaluation of candidates is based on the criteria in the Vacancy Notice, and may include tests and/or assessments, as well as a competency-based interview. UNESCO uses communication technologies such as video or teleconference, e-mail correspondence, etc. for the assessment and evaluation of candidates.

Candidates must use the UNESCO's online application system which is accessible through the following link: <https://careers.unesco.org>

For information: Personnel Office, Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics, Strada Costiera, 11, 34151 Trieste, Italy.

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