

# THE ISC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

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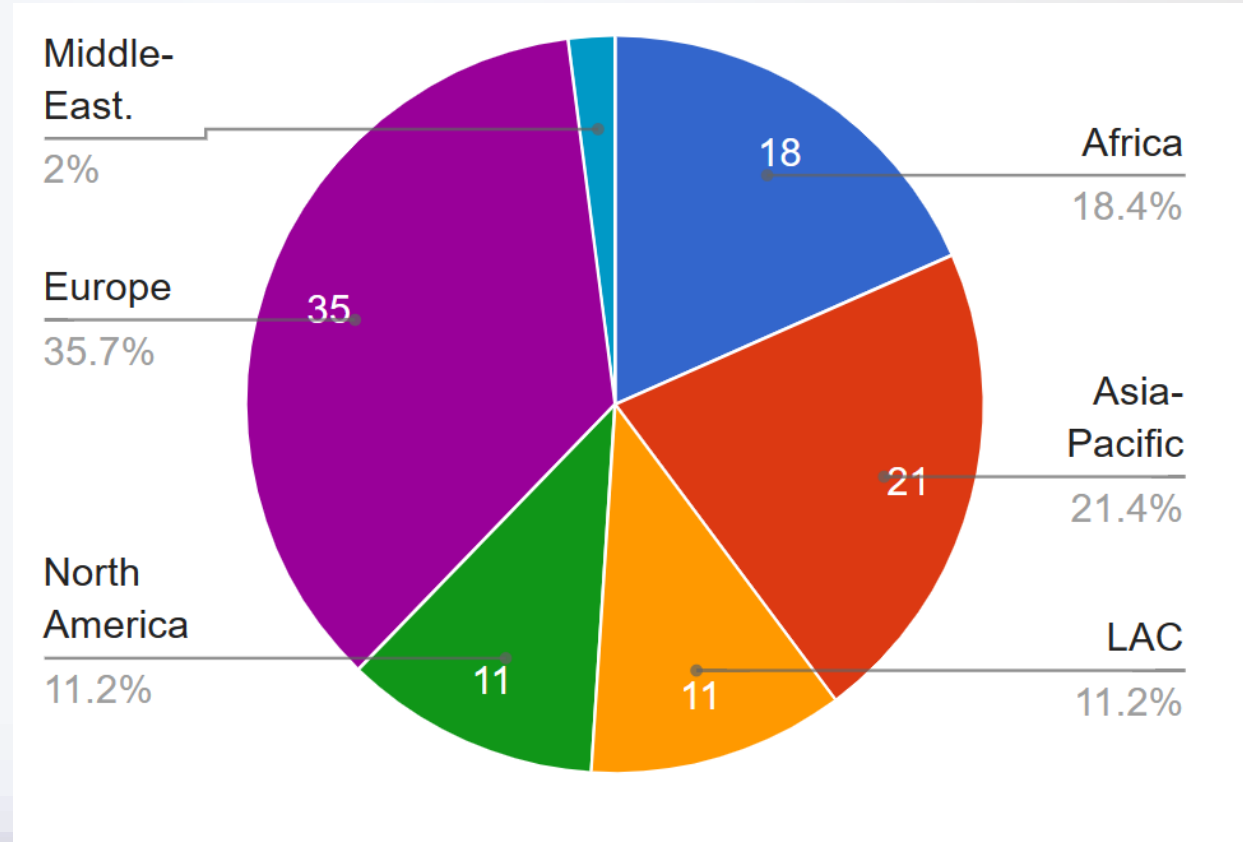
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# What is the ISC Fellowship programme?

- Fellowship launched last year
- Currently in early, co-creative stages of development
- (Presently) 123 scientists and thought-leaders from research and science-policy spheres
- **Honorary Fellowships** awarded at discretion of Governing Board
- All have made **significant contributions to furthering the understanding and use of science as a public good at transnational / global levels**
- ISC Fellowships awarded **both** in recognition of past service and, in particular, in **expectation of future service** to the ISC
- **Diversity by geography, discipline, focus and career stage**

# Present demographic of Fellowship (n=123)

- 57% male, 43% female
- 55% "Global North"  
45% "Global South"



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# What do ISC Fellows do? (1)

- **ISC Fellows contribute to delivering ISC programmes and initiatives**
- They can **amplify the ISC's voice for science in multiple ways** by (for example):
  - participating in ISC projects, sitting on advisory committees and working groups;
  - promoting ISC's profile, activities and reports in the media and policy sphere;
  - developing key relationships in multiple sectors;
  - supporting ISC regional focal points and national members in their work;
  - facilitating the engagement of early career and next generation scientists;
  - contributing to Foresight / Futures thinking;
  - advising on the recruitment of new ISC members.

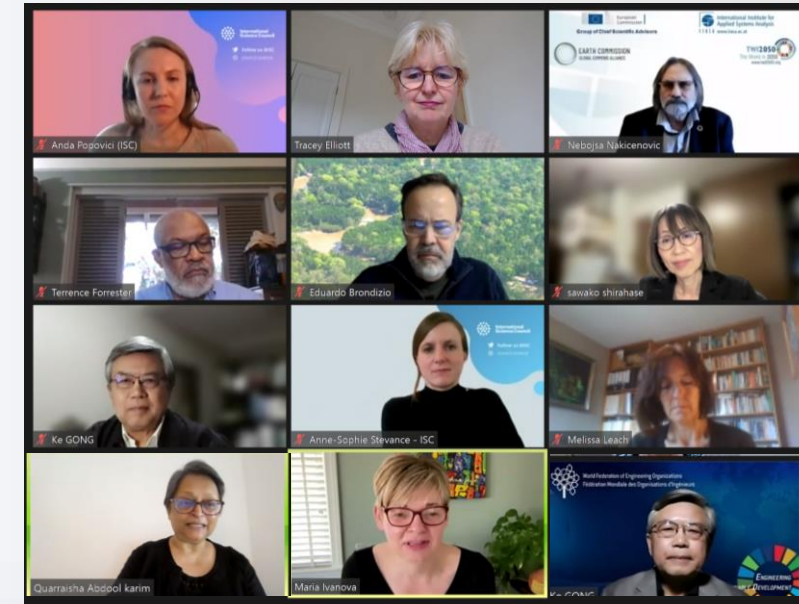
# What do ISC Fellows do? (2)

**Fellows** will help ISC to:

- **enhance science outreach** as ambassadors and advocates for science
- **help future-proof science**, leading debates and action on systemic change and risk
- **build and strengthen strategic partnerships and connections**, supporting UN and other vital partnerships
- **build capacity**, inspiring and nurturing new science leaders; strengthening regional and national presence

# A current example: the HLPF statement

- high-level statement for 2023 HLPF and SDG Summit
- a call to action for mid-term review of SDGs' progress
- how strengthen collective action to achieve positive change by 2030 and beyond
- drafting group of 12 Fellows, under chair Nebojska Nakicenovic
- will seek endorsement of all Fellows, in partnership with WFEO
- **first high-profile and urgent deployment of new ISC Fellows**





# How is the programme being developed?

- Expansion through **annual nominations** engaging ISC Governing Board, Members, Fellows and partners, ultimately to around 600 active and diverse Fellows
- Development being led by **Foundation Council**, a group of 13 Fellows
- Science defined as an **organised and pluralistic system of knowledge**, drawing on **excellence in all its forms**
- The Fellowship will tap into **wider geographies, skillsets, disciplines and experience** presently underrepresented in the ISC Membership
- The ISC Fellowship will be **inclusive, representative and impactful**
- It will **complement the ISC Membership**

# How will this year's nominations work? (1)

- Nominations will be sought in **September/October**
- **Criteria for selection** (in development):
  - demonstrable track record in more than one of
    - promoting the global voice for science and/or representing science regionally/internationally
    - applying science to public policy challenges
    - leading the management and evolution of the research ecosystem
    - communicating science to wide-ranging audiences
    - inspiring and nurturing new scientists and/or science leaders.

# How will this year's nominations work? (2)


- Nominations from the following will be especially encouraged:
  - researchers working in the **Global South**
  - **early and mid-career researchers**
  - researchers in **underrepresented disciplines** in ISC e.g. engineering, behavioural science, economics...
  - researchers working at **disciplinary intersects** and **cross-sectoral boundaries**
  - scientists working in **business and international development sectors**
  - non-scientists who have **influence in the science-policy sphere** e.g., science journalists, entrepreneurs in education and innovation


# THANK YOU


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We look forward to the next steps.

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# DISCUSSION AND Q&A

