Regulations
Heineken Prizes for Sciences

Article 1 General

1. The Heineken Prizes for Sciences (the Heineken Prizes) were established between 1963 and 2006 by various Heineken funds to recognise internationally distinguished researchers and scholars. Since their establishment, the prizes have honoured outstanding achievements across a range of scientific and scholarly disciplines and have evolved to reflect developments in research and society.
2. Stichting Alfred Heineken Fondsen (the Foundation) makes the following five Heineken Prizes for Sciences available:
   - Dr H.P. Heineken Prize for Natural Sciences
   - Dr A.H. Heineken Prize for Humanities
   - Dr A.H. Heineken Prize for (Bio)medical and Clinical Sciences
   - Dr A.H. Heineken Prize for Environmental Sciences and Sustainability
   - C.L. de Carvalho-Heineken Prize for Cognitive Sciences and Intelligent Systems
3. The Heineken Prizes are awarded once every two years to five candidates (the Laureates), nominated and proposed according to these Regulations – Heineken Prizes for Sciences (the Regulations).

Article 2 Nomination

1. Candidates eligible for nomination for the Heineken Prizes are those who:
   - are excellent, internationally recognised scientists;
   - are active scientists whose scientific work continues to show considerable promise;
   - have an appointment at a university or research institute in the Netherlands or elsewhere.
2. The following persons or bodies are eligible to nominate candidates for the Heineken Prizes:
   - invited boards of management of universities anywhere in the world;
   - invited heads of research institutes and other scientific or scholarly institutions anywhere in the world;
   - heads of national academies anywhere in the world;
   - previous laureates.

   Nominations must be submitted in English by using the nomination form made available by the Foundation.
3. Each nominator may nominate a maximum of two candidates per Heineken Prize in each nomination round. Previous laureates may only nominate candidates for the Heineken Prize in the prize domain in which they received their award.
4. The completed nomination form with the requested appendices must be uploaded before the closing date set by the Foundation to an online cloud platform as indicated on the nomination form. If the nomination has not been submitted before this date, the nomination will not be processed.
5. A nomination is considered to have been submitted when the nominator receives confirmation of receipt.
6. Members of the board and members of the Scientific Advisory Council of the Foundation, members of the board of the Dr A.H. Heineken Stichting voor de Kunst, jury members and jury secretaries of the Heineken Prizes may not submit nominations jointly or individually and may not be nominated as candidates.

Article 3 Task, composition and working method of the jury

1. The Foundation board shall appoint a jury for each Heineken Prize. The Chair of each jury shall be appointed by the board, based on a proposal from the Scientific Advisory

Council. Only persons who hold the title of professor or professor emeritus at the time of their appointment are eligible for appointment as chair of a jury.

2. The jury members shall be appointed by the Foundation board for a maximum of three selection rounds. A jury member who has served three selection rounds may be appointed for one additional round as jury chair, subject to approval by the Foundation board. A rotation schedule shall ensure a balanced composition of experienced and new jury members. Jury members (apart from the chair) shall be nominated for appointment by the chair to the Foundation board. The Foundation shall establish a remuneration for the jury members.
3. Each jury shall consist of a minimum of five (5) members, including the chair.
4. The jury's task is assessing the nominations for the Heineken Prizes mentioned in article 1 in accordance with the assessment criteria (see Article 4) and submitting their proposed laureate for the Heineken Prizes to the Foundation board.
5. A shortlist of candidates for the Heineken Prizes shall be drawn up at the first meeting of each jury. The jury then obtains referee reports on the shortlisted candidates. At its second meeting, the jury selects its proposed laureate.
6. Observers from external organisations are not permitted to attend jury meetings that are held for the purpose of allocating the Heineken Prizes.
7. All decisions of the jury are taken by majority vote.
8. Jury members must adhere to the Code of Conduct Governing Conflicts of Interest for the Heineken Prizes.
9. Jury members of the Heineken Prizes may not provide information about the factual course of events to stakeholders or other parties, either during or after the assessment process.
10. The members of the jury will perform their tasks in their own individual capacity. They will inform the jury secretary of any conflict that may limit their availability. If a jury member is permanently unavailable or has a conflict of interest, the Foundation may appoint an alternate nominated by the chair. Under no circumstances may the members of the jury designate a replacement to perform their duties.
11. The Foundation shall make a jury secretary available to each jury.

Article 4 Assessment procedure

1. The candidates nominated for the Heineken Prizes shall be assessed by the jury according to the following criteria:
   a. Internationally recognised scientific quality of the candidate, that quality being determined on the basis of the criteria commonly used to assess quality in the candidate's field of expertise, including (but not limited to):
      - the candidate's contribution to the development of their field of expertise, with particular regard to the candidate's contribution to cutting-edge research or publications;
      - memberships of national and international juries, visitation committees, scientific editorial boards, scientific academies or other relevant organisations;
      - national and international scientific recognition, including scientific prizes and grants awarded to the candidate;
      - other qualities, such as the way in which the candidate inspires young researchers, their contribution to knowledge valorisation and scientific communication.
   b. The extent to which the candidate's scientific work holds significant promise for the future.
2. The jury will prepare a report on the assessment, including the grounds for selecting the candidates. The assessment report conforms to a set of predetermined criteria. The assessment report shall be submitted to the Foundation board together with the jury's recommendation. The Foundation board may decide not to adopt the recommendation if the nominee's integrity has been compromised and awarding the

prize would jeopardise the reputation of the Heineken Prizes.

Article 5 Award and presentation

1. The Foundation board shall decide on the award of the Heineken Prizes on the basis of the nominations of the jury.
2. The Heineken Prizes shall be presented by the chair of the Foundation board or a substitute.
3. The Heineken Prizes shall be presented during a ceremony convened for this purpose.
4. The Foundation reserves the right to cancel the nomination or assessment procedure for one or more Heineken Prizes, or not to award one or more Heineken Prizes.

Article 6 Prize money

The Heineken Prizes for Sciences each consist of an amount of EUR 300,000 (three hundred thousand Euro), to be spent freely by the Laureates. All taxes, and any other costs and expenses associated with receipt or use of the Heineken Prizes, are the sole responsibility of the Laureates.

Article 7 Conditions for accepting the Heineken Prize for Science

1. The Laureates commit to:
   - participate in the ceremony week and all related events (interviews, presentations, dinner, visits, ceremony) that will be organized by the Foundation;
   - keep the announcement confidential until the official announcement and not contact the media before that date.
2. The Laureates agree to be photographed, filmed, and interviewed for purposes related to the Heineken Prizes. These photos, videos and texts will be used in publications and audiovisual means.

Article 8 Final provisions

1. These Regulations come into effect from 1 November 2026.
2. The Foundation board will decide on all matters which arise which are not covered by these Regulations, including any disputes arising out of or in connection with these Regulations.