

Selection Criteria

for the 62nd Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting dedicated to Physics

For the Meeting of Nobel Laureates in Lindau to be held from July 1 - 6, 2012, Nobel Laureates in Physics will be invited. About 500 highly-talented young researchers will be the audience for their lectures, for panel discussions on interdisciplinary topics and for small-size discussion sessions.

These young participants will be recruited worldwide among (1) undergraduate students, (2) master and doctoral students and (3) young postdoctoral scientists in the field of Physics and closely related disciplines. The following standards and criteria have been defined for their selection:

All nominated participants shall

- show a genuine interest in science and research,
- show a strong commitment to their principal field of studies and to the interdisciplinary work,
- receive strong support of their application by their academic advisor and/or by internationally renowned scientists, through a detailed letter of recommendation,
- be fluent in English and capable of active participation in discussions,
- belong to the top 5 percent of their class,
- not already have a permanent position (Researchers with permanent positions – in particular on the professor level – will in general not be admitted to the meeting),
- not have participated in previous Lindau Meetings,
- deliver fully completed applications on the website on or before the deadline of December 15, 2011 (Responsibility of the nominated individuals; incomplete applications will not be considered), and
- commit themselves to being present for the full duration of the meeting

It is intended to have a good balance between these three groups:

(1) Undergraduate students, who

- exhibit a solid general knowledge in physics and natural sciences and
- have done some practical work and/or have laboratory experience.

(2) Master and doctoral students, who

- show excellent academic accomplishments and
- have produced some very good research work.

(3) Postdoctoral scientists, who

- have up to 5 years of postdoctoral experience (optimum about 2-3 years after doctoral degree),
- have published results of own scientific research in refereed journals, preferably as first author, and
- have presented their work at international scientific meetings, preferably as lectures.