

## AWARDS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

**T**he Institute's established programmes of awards, scholarships, bursaries and grants and contributions continued as in previous years. However, important changes in the grants and contributions process resulted from intensive work throughout the year by an ad hoc committee of the Board that was appointed to review all aspects of this major programme.

### Peace and Security Competitions Fund

The Committee reported the results of its work, with recommendations, at the March 1990 meeting of the Board of Directors. The value of continuing to make substantial funds available for initiatives from outside the Institute was reaffirmed, as was the value of continuing to divide the projects into two categories: research, and public discussion and informa-

tion. The Board approved significant changes in procedure, as recommended by the Committee, so as to ensure maximum fairness, rigour and efficiency in making the awards, and to contribute to the very best resulting projects. These responsive programmes, like the Institute's Barton Awards Programme, will now be managed quite separately from the Institute's in-house and directed programmes.

Resources for these responsive contributions will be allocated annually by the Institute to a Peace and Security Competitions Fund which will continue to contribute to the most promising projects selected through a semi-annual, independent and competitive process:

The Fund's activities will be overseen by a Council of Trustees composed of four members of the Institute's Board plus up to three outside members. Daily operations will be the responsibility of a Fund Director who is also, at least at the outset, the Secretary/Treasurer of the Institute.

The semi-annual nature of the process remains as before. Applications will continue to be reviewed by Fund staff for their completeness and relevance to the specified fields of interest and criteria. They will then be considered (as in the past) by Advisory Committees composed of three external assessors, chaired by the Fund Director. Recommendations from these committees will be passed to the Council of Trustees for decisions.



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