

## INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

## The yearly General Meeting of The World Academy of Sciences will be held at Buenos Aires

*Scientists from different countries will convene from 1 to 4 October 2013 to debate the challenges for science and technology in developing countries.*

The National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CONICET) organizes and will host the 24° yearly General Meeting of The World Academy of Sciences for the advancement of science in developing countries (TWAS) in Argentina. The Argentine Minister of Science, Technology and Productive Innovation, Lino Barañao, and the President of CONICET, Roberto Salvarezza, will attend the opening ceremony place on the morning of October 1.

On the opening day government ministers and representatives will meet to discuss the challenges, science policies and future plans for different countries. The session is expected to include speeches by representatives of Brazil, Ethiopia, India, Italy, Mexico, Nigeria and South Africa.

“We are very pleased to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the World Academy of Sciences in Buenos Aires” said the president of TWAS, Bai Chunli. In turn Francisco Barrantes, senior investigator at CONICET and one of the vice presidents of TWAS, noted that “Argentina was chosen to host this event thanks to its high quality science”.

During the meeting more than 300 researchers will engage in discussions and hear presentations on innovation in Latin America, cancer research in Africa, membrane-based technology for environmental protection, biotechnology for agriculture, and the social science of poverty.

Also, the programme includes activities as the celebration of the TWAS anniversary, awards ceremonies and screening of documentaries. Complete programme, [click here](#).

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