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Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC  
Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia

## Essay Competition \$500 Prize

*This Prize is given by Women's Plans Foundation to stimulate analysis of family planning as a strategy in dealing with world problems. Women's Plans Foundation is a charitable trust advocating the integration of a family planning component in overseas aid programs. The Foundation raises funds and gives grants overseas aid organizations to enable people to choose the number and spacing of their children, improving community health, education for all and environmental sustainability.*

### Topic for 2012

**"Limiting the rise of global pollution of air, water and land can only be addressed by limiting the rise in the human population". Discuss.**

1. Essays should be typed in 12 pt font with one-and-a-half line spacing. Only one entry per person is allowed. Essays must be referenced to academic standards (including any data used). Entrants are expected to include their own ideas and relevant research. Essays should be submitted electronically, as PDF. Submissions should be emailed to <oppenama@bigpond.com>
2. Essays submitted for this prize should be 3,000 to 5,000 words in length. Conciseness is valued, and essays that are longer than this may not be considered for the prize.
3. All entries need to be submitted by **March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012**. Essays that are not submitted by this deadline will not be eligible for the prize and there will be no extensions of the deadline.
4. All essays entered for the prize will be judged on engagement with the question, critical analysis, organisation, conclusion and writing ability. The winning essay will be selected by a panel of members comprising appointees of Women's Plans Foundation. The panel's decision will be final.
5. The Foundation reserves the right not to award a prize if there is no entry of sufficient merit.
6. Entrants must complete the entry form (see below). The competition winner will be contacted by phone and/or mail/email and a cheque for the prize money will be posted to the mailing address provided, or may be presented at a special occasion.

