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# Esther Duflo named 2009 MacArthur Fellow

The MacArthur Foundation has announced their [list of 24 MacArthur Fellows](#) for 2009. [Esther Duflo](#), an IPA Research Affiliate and co-founder of the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab at MIT, was awarded one of the 24 MacArthur Foundation "genius awards". MacArthur Fellows receive \$500,000 as a "no strings attached" grant over the course of five years.

Read the MacArthur Foundation's press release [here](#).

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