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Catalonian National Research Awards

2024



**Generalitat
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**Fundació Catalana per a
la Recerca i la Innovació**



CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARDS 2024 EDITION

The Government of Catalonia has among its objectives to promote the social recognition of science and particularly to disseminate the international work of Catalan researchers throughout our society. These activities are carried out by, among other entities, the Catalan Foundation for Research and Innovation (FCRI).

With these goals in mind, the Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, announces the following awards:

- Catalan National Research Award
- Catalan National Research Award for Young Talent
- Catalan National Research Award for Knowledge Transfer Promotion
- Catalan National Research Award for Scientific Communication
- Catalan National Research Award for Scientific Patronage
- Catalan National Research Award for Public-Private Partnership in R&I
- Catalan National Research Award for Creating a Science-based Enterprise

RULES FOR THE CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARDS

Both this call and its outcome and execution are governed by these rules. The submission of any application implies full acceptance of these rules.

CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD

AIM

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, will award this prize to an outstanding researcher working within the Catalanian system of research and innovation, including businesses and foundations, who has made a significant international contribution to their scientific discipline in any of its areas: humanities and social sciences, life and health sciences, or experimental science and technology. Other aspects such as technology transfer and the social impact of his or her research will also be assessed.

Additional factors including technology transfer, the societal impact of their research, and their expertise in disseminating/communicating scientific findings will also be evaluated.

REQUIREMENTS

- Nomination by universities (governing bodies, faculties, schools, departments), research centres, university research institutes, academies of science, businesses and foundations, previous winners of the Catalanian National Research Award, or in general, any agent of Catalanian research and innovation.
- It is not necessary for individuals to be from Catalonia, nor do they need to be currently working or have previously worked there.
- Candidates must be nominated by one of the bodies or persons mentioned above; self-nomination is not permitted.

PRIZE

- The prize includes a statuette crafted by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra, along with a sum of 40,000 euros. In the event that the prize is awarded to two recipients, the prize money will be divided equally, with each winner receiving 20,000 euros.

CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD FOR YOUNG TALENT

AIM

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, will award this prize in recognition of the outstanding effort of a junior researcher, from the Catalanian system of research, including businesses and foundations, who is undertaking his or her research activity outside Catalonia, whose professional career has been characterised internationally by the quality and excellence of his or her scientific research work.

Additional factors including technology transfer, the societal impact of their research, and their expertise in disseminating/communicating scientific findings will also be evaluated.

REQUIREMENTS

- Nomination by universities (governing bodies, faculties, schools, departments), research centres, university research institutes, academies of science, businesses and foundations, previous winners of the Catalanian National Research Award, or in general, any agent of Catalanian research and innovation system.
- Nominees must be aged under 40 at the closing date of this announcement and be currently developing their scientific activity in Catalonia and/or abroad. Candidates must be nominated by one of the bodies or persons mentioned above; self-nomination is not permitted.
- For female researchers, the age limit of 40 years will be increased by one year for each accredited child.

PRIZE

- The prize includes a statuette crafted by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra, along with a sum of 15,000 euros. In the event that the prize is awarded to two recipients, the prize money will be divided equally, with each winner receiving 7,500 euros.

PRESENTATION OF NOMINATIONS



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- Nominations can be submitted through the FCRI website (www.fundaciorecerca.cat/premi), which provides all the necessary information for nominating a candidate and submitting supporting documentation. The following documentation is required: comprehensive candidate information, notable achievements (such as thesis, patents, awards, honours, etc.), the nominee's complete curriculum vitae (in Word or .pdf format), and a concise description of the nominee's merits.
- The deadline for nominations is **Thursday 26th September 2024 at 2:00 pm (CEST, Central European Summer Time)**. Nominations failing to submit the required supporting documentation before the specified time will not be considered.

CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD FOR OR KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER PROMOTION

AIM

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, announces this award to recognise the excellence of agents within the research and innovation system who are involved in knowledge transfer among different actors collaboratively, with the aim of impacting the country's economic, social, cultural, and environmental sectors.

The award acknowledges efforts in promoting and fostering the valorisation and transfer of knowledge and scientific innovation that generate an impact on our society and economy. It awards initiatives, organisational models, procedures, programmes, or services with a significant impact on the transfer model, particularly from the knowledge transfer units within Catalonia's research and innovation system.

REQUIREMENTS

The award is open to universities, research centres, technological centres, foundations, and other entities and agents within Catalonia's research and innovation system that have excelled in promoting and managing knowledge transfer and its socio-economic impact.

PRIZE

The prize includes a statuette crafted by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra, along with a sum of 10,000 euros.

CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD FOR SCIENTIFIC COMMUNICATION

AIM

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, will award this prize in recognition of an outstanding activity in scientific communication whose goal is to promote and strengthen the public's interest in science.

REQUIREMENTS

The jury will select the best scientific communication and initiative conducted in Catalonia, encompassing various media formats such as digital or print publications, radio and television, the internet, exhibitions, festivals, etc. The evaluation will also include professionals engaged in this field.

PRIZE

The prize comprises a statuette crafted by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra.

CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD FOR SCIENTIFIC PATRONAGE

AIM

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, will present this prize to acknowledge and encourage private collaboration and financial support for philanthropic research endeavours in Catalonia and internationally.

REQUIREMENTS

The jury will confer an institutional award to acknowledge an individual, company, or organisation for their donations or contributions in generating philanthropic resources to promote and support scientific projects in Catalonia.

PRIZE

The prize comprises a statuette crafted by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra.

CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP IN R&I

AIM

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, will award this prize in recognition of an outstanding activity carried out through a public-private partnership in research or in the general area of public-private cooperation in research and innovation activities in Catalonia.

REQUIREMENTS

The jury will acknowledge an individual, organisation, or company for their efforts in fostering cooperation between the public and private sectors in research activities and mobilizing private financing for R&I.

PRIZE

The prize comprises a statuette crafted by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra.

CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARD FOR CREATING A SCIENCE-BASED ENTERPRISE

AIM

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, announces this prize to recognise a science-based company that has been established within the Catalan public or private research system, with its activity originating from an academic environment. By this, we mean that it directly comes from research conducted at universities.

Its purpose is to promote the establishment of science-based companies, acknowledging the significance of translating research outcomes into society. It aims to highlight the socio-economic potential and the overall well-being of society through the creation of research-based companies.

REQUIREMENTS

The 12 Catalan universities and recognized non-profit research centres within the Catalan R&D&I system can participate in this category by establishing a research-based company within a maximum of 3 years.

The prize is awarded to a university or research centre that drives the science-based company.

PRIZE

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- Nominations can be submitted through the FCRI website (www.fundaciorecerca.cat/premi), which provides all the necessary information for nominating a candidate and submitting supporting documentation. The following documentation is required: general information about the candidate organisation/initiative/individual; a summary of the candidacy; a comprehensive description, and, if applicable, the social, economic, and international impact of the candidate (in Word or .pdf format).
- The FCRI's board has the authority to suggest and propose nominations of individuals, organisations, and initiatives in any of these four categories. The awards jury can also suggest and propose nominations in the same four categories, which will not be considered until the next call for awards.
- The deadline for nominations is **Thursday 26th September 2024 at 2:00 pm (CEST, Central European Summer Time)**. Nominations failing to submit the required supporting documentation before the specified time will not be considered.

JURY OF THE CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARDS

- The jury will comprise the president of the FCRI, who will act as chair; the Secretary of Universities and Research of the Catalan government; the Director General of Research of the Catalan government; and six external experts of recognized prestige, appointed by the chair. The director of the FCRI will serve as the secretary, with no voting rights but reserving the right to participate in deliberations.
- In the categories of 'Catalonian National Research Award' and 'Catalonian National Research Award for Young Talent', the prize may be awarded to two candidates. In such cases, each winner will receive 50% of the prize money. In the other categories, the prize may be awarded to one or more entities or individuals.
- The jury will announce the winner's name by **31st December 2024**. The prize may be declared void.
- The names of the winners will be published on the FCRI website (www.fundaciorecerca.cat).
- The awards ceremony will take place in Barcelona and will be presided over by the President of the Government of Catalonia.



PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION AND IMAGE RIGHTS CLAUSE

In accordance with the current regulations on the protection of personal data, specifically Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27th April 2016 (GDPR), and Organic Law 3/2018 of 5th December, on the protection of personal data and guarantee of digital rights (LOPDGDD), we inform you that all personal data provided by participants in the Awards will be incorporated into the processing system owned by the Catalan Foundation for Research and Innovation (FCRI), with VAT number G-58.285.784 and registered address at Passeig Lluís Companys No. 23, 08010 Barcelona, for the purpose of managing their participation in this edition of the awards, communicating with them via email or telephone, and, if applicable, proceeding with the prize delivery.

Furthermore, the personal data of the winners, including explicit inclusion of images (photographs/videos/voice), taken during the awards ceremony, will be used for promoting the event and may be published on the websites of the organizing and collaborating entities, as well as on their social media platforms, with the aim of publicizing the event, and in various media outlets.

The winners explicitly consent to the FCRI, under its sole responsibility for all purposes, capturing their image and voice through photographs and/or audiovisual recordings, which may be taken individually or jointly, by FCRI personnel or authorized third parties, during the awards ceremony, waiving any remuneration and/or claim under any circumstances, and authorizing the FCRI to reproduce and publicly communicate the recorded images in the aforementioned media indefinitely.

The images (photographs/videos/voice) that the winners publish on social media may be used by the organizers as promotional material for exhibitions or any other activities of interest to the organizers.

The FCRI informs that the data will be retained for the strictly necessary period to comply with the aforementioned provisions, and that the data will be processed lawfully, fairly, transparently, appropriately, relevantly, limitedly, accurately, and updated.

Unless notified otherwise, we will assume that the provided data has not been modified, that the interested party commits to notifying us of any changes, and that we have their consent to use the data for the mentioned purposes.

Interested parties may exercise their rights of access, rectification, erasure, restriction, and objection to the processing of their data, as well as the right to withdraw consent, by sending a written request to the Catalan Foundation for Research and Innovation, Passeig Lluís Companys No. 23, 08010 Barcelona, or to the following email address: lopd@fundaciorecerca.cat, including their full name, address for notifications, a copy of their ID, and specifying the right exercised.

Furthermore, we inform interested parties that they may address the relevant supervisory authority to file any claims they deem appropriate.

Participation in these awards implies full acceptance of these terms and conditions.

Barcelona, 8th July 2024

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