



## **CATALONIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH AWARDS** **2018 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 Fundació Catalana per a la Recerca i la Innovació (FCRi).

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

- a) Catalan National Research Award
- b) Catalan National Research Award for Young Talent
- c) Catalan National Research Award for Scientific Communication
- d) Catalan National Research Award for Scientific Patronage
- e) Catalan National Research Award for Public-Private Partnership in R&I

### **AWARD CRITERIA**

#### **a) Catalan National Research Award**

##### **Aim**

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRi, will award this prize to an outstanding researcher working within the Catalan system of research and innovation, including businesses and foundations, who has made a significant international contribution to his or her 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.

## **Requirements**

- Nomination by universities (governing bodies, faculties, schools, departments), research centres, university research institutes, academies of science, businesses and foundations, previous winners of the Catalan National Research Award, or in general, any agent of Catalan research and innovation.
- Candidates must have a recognized relationship with Catalonia. It is essential that they are from the region, have worked there or are working there now. Candidates must be nominated by one of the bodies or persons mentioned above; self-nomination is not permitted.

## **Prize**

The prize consists of a statuette designed by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra, along with an award of EUR 40,000.

## **b) Catalan 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 Catalan 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. Other aspects such as technology transfer and the social impact of his or her research will also be assessed

### **Requirements**

- Nomination by universities (governing bodies, faculties, schools, departments), research centres, university research institutes, academies of science, businesses and foundations, previous winners of the Catalan National Research Award, or in general, any agent of Catalan research and innovation.
- Nominees must be aged under 40 at the closing date of this announcement and be currently developing their scientific activity in Catalonia. 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 per child accredited.

## **Prize**

The prize consists of a statuette designed by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra, along with an award of EUR 10,000.

## **Presentation of nominations for the Catalanian National Research Award and the Catalanian National Research Award for Young Talent**

- Nominations may be presented on the FCRI website ([www.fundaciorecerca.cat/premi](http://www.fundaciorecerca.cat/premi)), which contains all the information necessary to nominate a candidate and present supporting documentation.
- The following documentation is required: general candidate information, special distinctions (number of theses, patents, awards, honors, etc.); nominee's complete curriculum vitae (in Word or .pdf); and summarised description of nominee's merits.
- The deadline for nominations is **28 September 2018 at 14:00**. Nominations that fail to submit the supporting documentation before that time will not be considered.
- The awards ceremony will be held in Barcelona and will be presided over by the President of the Government of Catalonia.

## **c) Catalanian 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 choose the best scientific communication and initiative carried out in Catalonia among all of the existing media formats (digital or print publications, radio and television, internet, exhibitions, festivals, etc.), as well as professionals working in this area.

### **Prize**

The prize consists of a statuette designed by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra.

#### **d) Catalan National Research Award for Scientific Patronage**

##### **Aim**

The Government of Catalonia, through the FCRI, will award this prize to recognise and stimulate private collaboration and financial support to philanthropic research work in Catalonia and internationally.

##### **Requirements**

The jury will grant an institutional award in recognition of an individual, company or organization for their donations or contributions to generating philanthropic resources to promote and support scientific projects in Catalonia.

##### **Prize**

The prize consists of a statuette designed by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra.

#### **e) Catalan 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 recognise an individual, organisation or company for their activities in fostering cooperation between the public and private sectors in research activities and in mobilising private financing for R&I.

##### **Prize**

The prize consists of a statuette designed by the sculptor and ceramic artist Jordi Serra.

#### **Presentation of nominations for the Catalan National Research Awards for Scientific Communication, Scientific Patronage and Public-Private Partnership in R&I:**

- Nominations may be presented on the FCRI website ([www.fundacioerca.cat/premi](http://www.fundacioerca.cat/premi)), which contains all the information necessary to nominate a candidate and present supporting documentation.
- The following documentation is required: general information on the candidate organisation/initiative/individual; summary of candidacy; complete

description and, if appropriate, the social, economic and international impact of the candidate (in Word or .pdf).

- The deadline for nominations is **28 September 2018 at 14:00**. Nominations that fail to submit the supporting documentation before that time will not be considered.
- The awards ceremony will be held in Barcelona and will be presided over by the President of the Government of Catalonia.

### **Jury of the Catalan National Research Awards**

- The jury will consist of 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 recognised prestige, appointed by the chair. The director of the FCRI serves as secretary, with no right to vote but reserving the right to participate in deliberations.
- One indivisible prize will be awarded in each category to a single person or organisation.
- The jury will decide the name of the winner by **21 December 2018**. The prize may be declared void.
- The names of winners will be published on the FCRI website ([www.fundaciorecerca.cat](http://www.fundaciorecerca.cat)).

### **DATA PROTECTION CLAUSE**

In accordance with the current legislation on data protection, we hereby inform you that the personal data provided by all people involving in the PNR awards will be incorporated into the treatment system owned by the FUNDACIÓ CATALANA PER A LA RECERCA I LA INNOVACIÓ, with Tax ID Code G-58.285.784 and with registered office at Passeig Lluís Companys, 23 in Barcelona (Spain).

The personal data of the award-winners, including images taken at the awards ceremony, will be used to disseminate the activity, may be published on the website of the organizing entities and their social media platforms, in order to promote the event, as well as in various media.

The award-winners agree to accept the media promotion.

All photos that the award-winners upload to their social media platforms can be used by the organizers, as element of dissemination, to give a presentation or any activity that is in the interest of the organizers.

The FCRI informs you that the data will be kept for the period of time strictly necessary for the pursuit of complying with the aforementioned purposes. The FCRI will treat the personal data in a lawful, fair, transparent, adequate, relevant, limited, accurate and up-to-date way.

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In accordance with the rights conferred by the current legislation on data protection, you may exercise your rights of access, rectification, limitation of treatment, deletion, and opposition to the processing of your personal data as well as consent for treatment of the same, addressing your request to the CATALAN FOUNDATION FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION, at the postal address indicated above or to the email [lopd@fundaciorecerca.cat](mailto:lopd@fundaciorecerca.cat), including name and last name of the user, address for the purposes of notifications, a copy of your ID card and the right exercised.

You may contact the competent Control Authority to submit a complaint if you find it necessary.

Participation in these awards implies the full acceptance of these rules.