

ENI AWARD 2010

New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Eni is one of the most important vertically integrated energy companies in the world. It operates in the oil, natural gas, electricity production, engineering and construction and petrochemical product sectors and it is engaged in developing research into and the production, transport, conversion and trading of hydrocarbons. Eni is also involved in several scientific research projects on renewable energy technologies, particularly in the two major areas of biofuels and solar energy. Operating in about seventy countries, Eni invests in people and their education, aiding development through the integration of social, environmental and cultural issues in full respect of individual and community rights and national diversity. For the years 2008, 2009 and 2010 Eni is offering the Eni Award for research and development in the fields of energy and the environment.

1) Aims

The *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize* is one of the five awards categories of the Eni Award which also include the *Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Prize*, the *Environment Protection Prize*; the *Debut in Research Prizes* and the *Eni Innovation Awards*. The purpose of the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*, which is the subject of this Announcement, is to promote research on the technologies regarding the complete cycle of hydrocarbons (exploration, production, transport, distribution and transformation).

2) The *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*

The Prize is awarded to the person or group of people that have achieved, or promise to achieve, internationally significant results in the development of technologies for the efficient use of hydrocarbons with particular reference to the activities of exploration, production, transport, distribution and transformation.

The following elements will be considered in the assessment of the project:

- achievable improvement in efficiency;
- contribution to sustainability of resources;
- degree of technological feasibility;
- where the innovation may be applied;
- cost-benefit ratio of the technology proposed;
- potential impact on the energy system.

The results have to have been achieved within the five-year period prior to the date of this annual Official Announcement.

3) The Prize

The Prize consisting of a gold medal specially minted by the Italian Zecca di Stato (State Mint) and the sum of €300,000 (three hundred thousand euros) will be awarded to the research that the Organizing Committee of the Eni Award nominates as the winner by 31 January 2010.

4) Procedure and deadline for Candidature Proposal

Candidatures to the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons* Prize must enclose documents certifying the results obtained and the area, or institution, where the idea has been developed and achieved. Can be considered titles of merit certificates and technical evaluations by presidents and members of Scientific Academies, University Chancellors, Academic Deans, Department Directors, Professors of disciplines included in the Eni Award or related disciplines pertaining to Universities and Technological Institutes; adequately accredited Institute or Research Center Directors. Self-candidatures are admitted.

It is possible to submit candidatures that have already been accepted in past editions provided that they are accompanied by suitable motivations showing the reasons for a second submission.

The deadline for the presentation of the candidatures to the ***New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*** falls on the 30 of October 2009 before and no later than 5 p.m.

The Candidature application forms are available on the www.eniaward.net website and they must be sent as follows:

1. **The Candidature Proposal, the Curriculum Vitae and the list of publications** will have to be loaded on the Eni Award 2010 Candidates private area. The access to the private area must be requested to the Eni

Award Scientific Secretariat (eniaward@feem.it) that will provide an account for the procedure.

2. The text of the three publications regarding the results of the research requested at the article 11 of the candidature proposal as well as the eventual technical evaluations must be sent to the following address:
repository-eniaward@feem.it

3. Following the formal registration of the Candidature Proposal a **Summary File** containing the main data of the proposal and the **Completion Code** assigned to each candidate.

The aforesaid file must be signed by **the candidate** and sent by fax to the Eni Award Scientific Secretariat at the following number : 00 39 02 48 77 24 before and no later than the deadline defined by this Official Announcement.

5) Choosing the winner

The Scientific Committee shall assess whether each application meets the admittance requirements.

The Committee shall examine the work of the applications that have been accepted and shall present the name of the chosen winner of the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons* Prize to the Organizing Committee of the Eni Award by 22 January, 2010.

The Scientific Committee is composed of a maximum of 27 Members, who are representatives of the International Scientific Community chosen by the Organizing Committee.

6) Regulations

The Eni Award and this Official Announcement are regulated by the Eni Award Regulations and approved by the Organizing Committee. The text of the regulations is available on the www.eniaward.net website.

7) Contact details

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