

ENI AWARD 2011

REGULATIONS

Article 1

The eni award

From 2008 **eni** is offering the **eni award**, granted for research and development in the fields of energy and the environment.

Article 2

The Awards

In order to promote a better use of energy sources, promote research on the environment and help the new generations of researchers to emerge, each year **eni** will give:

- a) One (1) *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*;
- b) One (1) *Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Prize*;
- c) One (1) *Protection of the Environment Prize*;
- d) Two (2) *Debut in Research Prizes*;
- e) Two (2) **eni Innovation Awards**.

For more specific information about each Award and how to apply, see the Annexes to this Regulation.

Article 3

The Committees involved

The following Committees are involved in granting the awards:

- The Organizing Committee is in charge of the management of the Awards;
- The Initial Selection Committee has the task of collecting and presenting the applicants' submissions to the Scientific Commission;
- The Scientific Commission assesses the applicants' submissions and awards the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*; the *Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Prize*; the *Protection of the Environment Prize* and the *Debut in Research Prizes*;
- The **eni** Innovation Committee judges the candidates and chooses the Winners of the **eni Innovation Awards**.

Article 4

The Organizing Committee

The awards are managed by the Organizing Committee. Its members are appointed by the Chief Executive Officer of **eni**, who is the President of the Committee.

The Organizing Committee is composed of four Members (including the Chief Executive Officer) who appoints a Vice President for the ordinary operations of the Committee. The President of the Scientific Commission participates in the work of the Organizing Committee without being an actual member of it. The Organizing Committee appoints an **eni award** Secretary who takes part in the meetings of the Committee and takes the minutes.

The Organizing Committee's headquarters are at the **eni** offices in Rome

The Organizing Committee:

- decides the guidelines for the Scientific Commission and the **eni** Innovation Committee;
- approves the Regulations and any changes to them;
- chooses the members of the Scientific Commission and of the **eni** Innovation Committee;
- provides an Official Announcement of the Awards;
- announces the Winners of the various prizes, as chosen by the respective Committees.

Article 5

The Initial Selection Committee

The Initial Selection Committee is composed of a maximum of 12 members, appointed by the Vice President of the Organizing Committee as per article 4 of these Regulations, who are chosen for their proven competence in the subjects covered by the **eni** award.

The work of the Initial Selection Committee is coordinated by a member of the Scientific Commission of the **eni** award, nominated by the Vice President of the Organizing Committee as per article 4, who also guarantees the necessary liaison with the activities of the Scientific Commission.

The Initial Selection Committee collects the applicants' submissions received by the Scientific Secretariat for the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons* Prize, the *Renewable and Non-conventional Energy* Prize, the *Protection of the Environment* Prize and the *Debut in Research* Prizes and checks that they correspond to the **eni** awards Regulations and Official Announcement requirements before submitting them to the **eni** award Scientific Commission.

Article 6

The Scientific Commission

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

The President of the Scientific Commission is appointed by the Chief Executive Officer of **eni**.

The President of the Scientific Commission coordinates the assessment process for the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*; the *Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Prize*; the *Protection of the Environment Prize* and the *Debut in Research Prize*:

The Scientific Commission shall examine each application for the four Prizes according to the Regulations and Official Announcement requirements. The Scientific Commission shall write a report for the Organizing Committee on each Prize, stating that all the proposals submitted have been duly examined and putting forward the names of the candidates for the Prizes and the reasons for their choice.

Article 7

Eni Innovation Committee

The **eni** Innovation Committee is composed of a maximum of 5 Members chosen by the Organizing Committee. It shall examine the candidates for the **eni Innovation Awards** according to the Regulations and shall write a report for the Organizing Committee, stating that all the proposals submitted have been duly examined and putting forward the names of the candidates for the Award and the reasons for their choice.

Article 8

Validity of the Committee meetings

The majority of the members of the Organizing Committee, Scientific Commission and **eni** Innovation Committee have to be present for their meetings to be considered valid, and the decisions to be adopted are made by the majority of those attending.

Should any members of any of these Committees be unable to attend meetings either in person or via teleconference, they may appoint by a proxy vote declaration other members of the Committee in question to represent them.

It is not possible for any member of a Committee to represent more than one absent member.

Article 9

Terms of Application

Applications for the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*; the *Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Prize*; the *Protection of the Environment Prize* and *Debut in Research Prizes* must be submitted according to the Official Announcement requirements which are published on the www.eniaward.net website by the last day of June of each year.

Applications for the **eni Innovation Awards** should be forwarded to the eni Innovation Committee according to the requirements and deadlines defined in the special Official Announcement which shall be published on the **eni** intranet *My-eni* by June of each year.

Article 10

Prize-giving Ceremony

An Official Prize-giving Ceremony will be held in Rome the first week of June of the year following the publication of the Official Announcement. The **eni Innovation Awards** will also be presented on that occasion and is reserved to women and men who work for **eni**.

Article 11

Unawarded Prizes

In the absence of suitable candidates for the prizes, the unawarded amounts may be used by **eni** for any research projects by a scientific organization or research centre deemed worthy by the Organizing Committee.

Article 12

Changes or Additions to the Regulations

The Organizing Committee may make any changes or additions to the **eni** award Regulations.

Article 13

Publication of Results

The Organizing Committee may, independently or in cooperation with other groups or individuals, undertake to promote the publication, divulgation, and communication of awarded projects and research, and support scientific activities in schools, universities and in the business world.

Article 14

Scientific Secretariat Headquarters

The headquarters of the **eni** award Scientific Secretariat are at the Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei.

Rome, 9th June 2010

The **eni** Chief Executive Officer
Paolo Scaroni

Annex 1

New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize

Each year a prize consisting of a gold medal specially minted by the Italian *Zecca di Stato* (State Mint) and €300,000 (three hundred thousand Euros) will be awarded to a researcher or group of researchers who have achieved or promise to achieve significant results anywhere in the world 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.
- certificates and technical evaluations described at the following point.

The results have to have been achieved during the five-year period prior to the date of the annual Official Announcement, published by June of each year, where the Regulations governing participation are to be found.

Application procedure

Applications for the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize* have to include documents certifying the results obtained and the field, or institution, in which the idea was developed and realized. Are considered titles of merit certificates and technical assessments by Presidents and Members of Scientific Academies, University Chancellors, Deans of Faculty, Directors of Department, Professors of fields of study covered by the **eni award** or related disciplines pertaining to Universities and Technology Institutes, Directors of recognized Institutes or Research Centers. 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 resubmission.

Annex 2

Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Prize

Each year a prize consisting of a gold medal specially minted by the Italian *Zecca di Stato* (State Mint) and €200,000 (two hundred thousand Euros) will be awarded to a researcher or group of researchers who have achieved or promise to achieve significant results anywhere in the world in the field of renewable and non-conventional sources of energy.

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

- originality and innovational content of the idea;
- the radical nature of the innovation that can be derived from it;
- development potential;
- degree of technological feasibility;
- cost-benefit ratio of the technology proposed;
- potential impact on the energy system;
- certificates and technical evaluations described at the following point.

The results have to have been achieved during the five-year period prior to the date of the annual Official Announcement, published by June of each year, where the Regulations governing participation are to be found.

Application procedure

Applications for the *Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Prize* have to include documents certifying the results obtained and the field, or institution, in which the idea was developed and realized. Are considered titles of merit certificates and technical assessments by Presidents and Members of Scientific Academies, University Chancellors, Deans of Faculty, Directors of Department, Professors of fields of study covered by the **eni** award or related disciplines pertaining to Universities and Technology Institutes, Directors of recognized Institutes or Research Centers. Self-candidatures are admitted.

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Annex 3

Protection of the Environment Prize

Each year a prize consisting of a gold medal specially minted by the Italian *Zecca di Stato* (State Mint) and €200,000 (two hundred thousand Euros) will be awarded to a researcher or group of researchers who have achieved significant research and development results anywhere in the world in the field of the correlation between human activity and the natural environment, with reference to approaches for both environmental protection and recovery.

The results have to have been achieved during the three-year period prior to the date of the annual Official Announcement, published by June of each year, where the Regulations governing participation are to be found.

Application procedure

Applications for the *Protection of the Environment Prize* have to include documents certifying the results obtained and the field, or institution, in which the idea was developed and realized. Are considered titles of merit certificates and technical assessments by Presidents and Members of Scientific Academies, University Chancellors, Deans of Faculty, Directors of Department, Professors of fields of study covered by the **eni** award or related disciplines pertaining to Universities and Technology Institutes, Directors of recognized Institutes or Research Centers. 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 resubmission.

Annex 4

Debut in Research Prize

Two prizes, each consisting of a gold medal specially minted by the Italian *Zecca di Stato* (State Mint) and €25,000 (twenty-five thousand Euros), will be awarded to graduates from Italian Universities who have written a research doctorate thesis on one of the following subjects: efficiency in the exploitation of hydrocarbons; renewable and non-conventional energy; the Protection of the Environment.

The thesis has to have been presented at an Italian University during the same year as, or the year prior to, the date of the annual Official Announcement, published by June of each year, where the Regulations governing participation are to be found.

Applicants must be under 30 years old, or celebrate their 30th birthday in the year of publication of the above mentioned Official Announcement.

Application procedure

Applications for the *Debut in Research Prize* must be presented and guaranteed by University Chancellors, Deans of Faculty, Directors of Department, Professors of Universities and Technology Institutes operating in Italy in the specific – or similar - fields for which the Prize is awarded. Self-candidatures will not be considered.

Annex 5

Eni Innovation Award

Three engraved silver desk-top name-plates will be awarded to **eni** employees:

- for the best patentable idea in terms of the potential impact of the innovation deriving from it – as certified by tests – protected by a patent application, which need not be public, made in the three years prior to the date of this Official Announcement;
- for the best innovative technological solution already implemented by **eni** in the twelve months prior to the Official Announcement.

Application procedure

Applications for the **eni Innovation Award** for patents and for innovative technological solutions have to be presented and guaranteed by the candidate's superior in charge of the technological area in question. He or she shall forward it to the Management concerned by the deadline provided in the Official Announcement, published by June of each year, in which all the requirements concerning participation may be found.