

INTERNATIONAL BIONIC-AWARD 2014

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Biomimetics often generates ideas and serves as a stimulus for innovation with sustainable benefits for technology, economy and society. The award is endowed to support research and development oriented towards practical application and innovation by young scientists in the field of biomimetics.

The International Bionic-Award will be presented for the fourth time in 2014. The award ceremony will take place at a major Congress in 2014 with focus on biomimetics. Relevant information will be communicated in advance and will be available on the website of the International Bionic-Award (www.vdi.de/bionic2014). The award winning contribution will also be presented during this congress.

Endowment

The International Bionic-Award is endowed with 10.000 EUR by the Schauenburg-Foundation and will be awarded by VDI (Association of German Engineers).



Conditions for participation

- The prize will be awarded for outstanding contribution by a team of young scientists and researchers or a single young scientist/researcher, for example for the development of a biomimetic product or for a doctoral thesis/post doctoral thesis.
- International submissions of elaborated applications on the subject of biomimetics will be accepted. Copies of already published papers or reviews are not sufficient.
- The work has to be completed within the last two years before the deadline for submission of papers.
- Only direct applications, made by a person or a team, will be accepted; those made by a third party are excluded.
- Each person may only submit one application as author or co-author. Multiple applications will not be accepted.
- The applicant or team members may not be older than 40 years. Applications from non-established team leaders are preferred.
- Legal recourse is excluded.



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What to submit

- Elaborated applications consisting of presentation of work, doctoral thesis or post doctoral thesis (20 DIN-A4 pages maximum)
- Abstract (max. 1 page DIN-A4)
- Ideas for the implementation and industrial application as well as market potential
- Declaration of each team member in order to specify the individual contribution to the project, in case of team applications
- CV/CVs of the author/group of authors
- All documents must be submitted in English

Please email these documents in the above order as one single PDF-file to: **bionik@vdi.de**

Subject line: International Bionic-Award 2014

Deadline: February 28, 2014

Jury

- **Prof. Dr. Jérôme Casas** | Université François-Rabelais Tours
- **Dr. Rainer Erb** | BIOKON e.V.
- **Markus Fischer** | Ingenieurbüro Markus Fischer
- **Prof. Dr. Robert J. Full** | University of California, Berkeley
- **Prof. George Jeronimidis** | University of Reading
- **Dr. Michael Herdy** | INPRO GmbH
- **Prof. Dr. Antonia Kesel** | Bionik-Innovations-Centrum Bremen
- **Marc Georg Schauenburg** | Schauenburg-Stiftung
- **Dr. Heike Seitz** | BIOKON international e.V.
- **Prof. Dr. Thomas Speck** | Universität Freiburg
- **Dr. Ludwig Vollrath** | Verein Deutscher Ingenieure e.V.
- **Dr. Ljuba Woppowa** | Verein Deutscher Ingenieure e.V.
- **Prof. Dr. Zhengzhong Shao** | Fudan University

Donator of the Award



The award is endowed by the Schauenburg-Foundation since 2008. The Schauenburg-Foundation was established in 1986 by Hans-Georg Schauenburg, founder of the Schauenburg Group who has been in business in the Rhein-Ruhr area for over 50 years. The focus of the Schauenburg-Foundation, which is administered by the independent Stifterverband (Stifterverband is the business community's innovation agency for the German science system), reflects the close connection of the International Schauenburg Group to its roots and with scientific and technical innovation. The foundation mainly endorses academic projects in the area of engineering, economics and social sciences, as well as supporting young people in their vocational training.

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