Conditions of Entry 2017 International Award FPdGi

For nonprofit organisations in the European Union working in the field of young people's professional development and/or educational innovation. The FPdGi is launching its first *Princess of Girona Foundation International Award* for nonprofit organisations in the European Union working in the field of young people's professional development and/or educational innovation.

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FPdGi International Award in recognition of nonprofit organisations in the European Union working in the field of young people's professional development, in educational innovation or both.

The Foundation is launching this new award with the aim of recognising the efforts of nonprofit organisations in the European Union working for young people aged between 16 and 25 in one of the following areas: improving employability and workplace integration, innovation in education, fostering academic achievement and developing scientific vocations.

Who can win this award?

The award is open to private entities and organisations that have been registered as foundations or nonprofit associations in a country within the European Union for at least five years.

Public entities, universities and education centres are not eligible for this award.

All entries must be supported by a letter of endorsement for the candidate organisation or entity.

These endorsements, in the form of a letter of support, can be written by those in charge of representative organisations, entities and institutions of any country in the European Union such as universities, local councils, chambers of commerce and other public and private institutions of recognised prestige, as well as by trustees of the Princess of Girona Foundation and members of its Advisory Council. It is possible to endorse more than one candidate.

(Further information regarding requirements and submitting endorsements can be found on page 6)

How, when and where can entries be submitted? Before 30 January 2017.

Candidacy entries will only be considered valid if they are submitted using the correct form available on the website: www.fpdqi.org.

The jury will meet to deliberate in the first half of 2017.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROCESS

Web: <u>www.fpdgi.org</u> E-mail: <u>premios@fpdgi.org</u> Telephone: +34 972 410 410



Princess of Girona Foundation International Award

Created to recognise the outstanding work of a European organisation that develops and carries out specific projects in favour of young people, fostering entrepreneurial spirit, employability and workplace integration, education and academic achievement, vocations and talent.

Evaluation criteria

	1. Exemplarity This is an exclusionary criterion	V	Capacity to mobilise. Works together with other local entities and agents with quantifiable, public and contrasted results.
	Inspiration . Capacity to mobilise young people, demonstrating durability and future viability.	V	Focus on the disadvantaged. Centred on the most vulnerable groups of young people.
	Values and ethical behaviour. Leadership in practices of ethical commitment and the efficient use of resources, as well as the capacity to transform and influence society.	V	4. Excellence in management Continuous improvement. Adopts advanced good management and transparency practices.
	2. Differentiation	\checkmark	Measurement. Committed to measurement, evaluation and continuous learning.
	Mission and action. A clear and firm focus on the mission while developing projects that are unique, replicable and sustainable over time, and that have a multiplier effect.	V	Transparency. Produces annual reports of activities.
\checkmark	3. Impact	\checkmark	Financial sustainability. Has access to aligned and diversified sources of funding.
	Results. Provides sustainable and transformative solutions to real problems faced by young people anywhere in the world.		5. Social recognition
		V	A reference for other organisations and institutions. A consequence of its characteristics, distinctive features and work carried out.
Presentation of candidacies			

Candidacy entries can be submitted any time before 23:59 on 30 January 2017. Candidacy entries will only be considered valid if they are submitted using the correct form available on the website <u>www.fpdgi.org</u>.

The jury

The jury for the Princess of Girona Foundation International Award is made up of five people who form part of the FPdGi Advisory Council or have been chosen as external experts in the matter being evaluated.

The ultimate decision regarding the winning candidate will be taken by simple majority which must be supported by solid arguments and will be considered final.

In the event that a member of the jury discovers they have a conflict of interests in relation to any of the candidates presented, they will abstain from debating and voting.

The jury may decide not to award the prize if it considers that none of the candidates nominated meet the requirements or aims of the award.

The jury will interpret and supplement the conditions of entry for this award to cover any gaps or resolve any issues that may arise.

The vote of each member of the jury may not be delegated and must be cast in person at the moment the vote is held.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2017 AWARDS

The FPdGi awards will be presented in accordance with the resolutions of the appointed juries and will be announced in the appropriate manner.

Each award consists of a reproduction of a work by the Spanish sculptor Juan Muñoz and a cash prize of €10,000.

The FPdGi reserves the right to nominate the person in the entity who in its judgement best embodies the winning project to receive the prize at the award ceremony.

The cash prize presented to the winning entity must be spent on projects and activities of the same type as the ones recognised by the award.

The winning entity must submit a report detailing how the prize money was spent before 1 July of the following year after receiving the award.

Presentation of candidacies

Candidacy entries can be submitted any time before 23:59 on 30 January 2017.

In all cases, entries must be supported by a letter of endorsement for the candidate organisation or entity. These endorsements, in the form of a letter of support, can be written by those in charge of local or EU-based representative organisations and institutions such as universities, local councils, chambers of commerce and other public and private institutions of recognised prestige, as well as by trustees of the Princess of Girona Foundation and members of its Advisory Council. (1) It is possible to endorse more than one candidate. **The letters of support should be included as digital files in the candidacy entry form and must have been signed and dated after 25 September 2016**.

Candidacy entries will only be accepted as valid if submitted using the correct entry form available from the website www.fpdgi.org.

The entry form must be completed in English.

The jury will not take into consideration any information other than that presented in the candidacy entry form or attached to it when it is submitted.

The Foundation may request further information from the candidate organisations if considered necessary.

(1) The list of trustees and members of the FPdGi Advisory Council is available from the website.www.fpdgi.org.

The presentation of a candidacy automatically implies full acceptance of these conditions of entry. Candidate organisations that did not win the previous local edition of the awards in Spain may present themselves as candidates again for this international award. If they wish to reuse the information included in the previously submitted electronic form for this edition, they should contact the award secretary by email at premios@fpdgi.org.

The candidate organisations or entities must guarantee, with full indemnity for the Foundation, that the information provided in the entry form is truthful and correct, as well as the ownership and exploitation rights regarding third parties for all graphic material, trade names and other information included in the entry form, which may be used by the FPdGi to publicise the awards and award winners.

INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE FORM AND PERSONAL DATA

The organisations or entities presenting their candidacy grant their express consent for the publication of the information included in the entry form, including their photographs, as well as images of any of their projects if chosen as winners.

The Princess of Girona Foundation reserves the right to disseminate information related with the award winners in the different categories as it sees fit.

In accordance with the provisions of Organic Law 15/1999 and RD 1707/2007 on the Protection of Personal Data and its implementing regulations, the personal data provided in the entry form will be saved in a computer file owned by the Princess of Girona Foundation. This data will only be used during the evaluation process and for the purposes of assisting with the organisation, management and resolution of the awards.

Those persons or organisations presenting their candidacy are entitled to exercise at any time their right to access, amend, cancel and oppose the holding of the data by contacting the Foundation.

What is an endorsement letter and how is it prepared?

The endorsement letter is a first recognition by a third party of the value of the candidacy being presented and consists of a letter introducing the candidate organisation or entity nominated for the award. These endorsements can be written by those in charge of local or EU-based representative organisations and institutions such as universities, local councils, chambers of commerce and other public and private institutions of recognised prestige, as well as trustees of the Princess of Girona Foundation and the members of its Advisory Council. It is possible to endorse more than one candidate. The endorsement letter should be converted into a digital file and included in the online candidacy entry form.

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