ALUMNI AWARD
TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG RESEARCHERS

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RULES

I. GOAL, AMOUNT

Art. 1. An Alumni Award is established, it will be referred to as « Award ».  

Art. 2. The Award will be granted every year to a Belgian researcher or to a researcher who is affiliated with a Belgian university since at least two years.

Art. 3. The Award can neither be divided nor granted twice to the same person.

II. THE CANDIDATES

Art. 4. The Award is granted to researchers whose scientific merits are evidenced by high-quality work. The applicants may not have reached the age of 36 on December 31 of the year the Award is granted.

Art. 5. The Award is rotated among five groups of scientific disciplines over a period of five years as follows:

Year 1: the human sciences, including philosophy, religious and ethical sciences, languages, literature, history, history of art, and archeology;

Year 2: the social sciences, including law, economics, applied economics, political science, sociology, communication, journalism, psychology, and education;

Year 3: the exact sciences, including mathematics, physics, chemistry, physical chemistry, geology, physical geography, and astronomy;

Year 4: the biomedical sciences, including biological sciences, biochemistry, biophysics, genetics, microbiology, medicine, pharmacy, veterinary medicine, zoology, botany, agriculture, and ecology;

Year 5: the applied sciences, including chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, construction engineering, electrical engineering, materials science, and computer science.
The above list aims to include all scientific disciplines in basic and applied research and is not restrictive.

Art. 6. B.A.E.F. announces the competition for the Award yearly to the universities and to the faculties of the appropriate scientific discipline.

Art. 7. Candidates must submit their application to B.A.E.F. before the deadline set by the Alumni Award Committee. The application must include
- his/her curriculum vitae including a list of publications and the link to a personal professional website if existing
- one-page summary of his/her complete scientific work.

III. THE JURY AND SELECTION PROCEDURE.

Art. 8. The Board of Directors of B.A.E.F. appoints the members of the jury every year. However, the jury can invite any person for consultation.

Art. 9. The jury must examine the files of the applicants.

Art. 10. Selection of the winner of the award requires a quorum of two thirds of the members of the jury. The jury decides by simple majority of the members present. An abstention is taken as a negative vote. In case of parity of votes, the vote of the chairman decides. The decision of the jury is final.

Art. 11. The jury may decide not to grant the Award.

Art. 12. The jury submits the name of the awardee and a brief motivation of its decision to the office of B.A.E.F. before end of May.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE AWARD

Art. 13. B.A.E.F. announces the motivated decision of the jury.