

Gilbert Hausmann Award

Regulations

On 14 August 2012, Mr Gilbert Charles Hausmann bequeathed the EPFL a fund which, according to his last will, should serve to award a prize to *“a deserving graduate or PhD student in the fields of mechanical engineering, electricity and physics”*.

Given the above, the EPFL hereby establishes the Hausmann Award (hereinafter the Award) in Mr Hausmann’s honour and instates the following regulations for the Award procedure:

1. The Award is presented each year by EPFL to reward two graduates having completed an EPFL Master Project and one PhD student having completed an EPFL PhD thesis in the field of mechanical engineering, electricity or physics. The three prize-winning projects should stand out through their excellence, particularly in terms of originality and the prospects which they open.

2. Regarding the Master projects:

a. The Award consists of an amount of CHF 5,000 in favour of each of the two winners.

b. Application is open to authors whose project was passed during the year preceding the application deadline.

c. Authors apply by submitting to the Registrar’s Office, within the deadline set by the Registrar’s Office Secretariat for this purpose, the following documents: copy of the project, application letter briefly outlining the latter and the prospects which it opens, and a letter of recommendation by the supervising lecturer.

d. Award winners are selected by a jury made up of the Heads of the Mechanical Engineering (GM), Electrical Engineering (EL) and Physics (PH) Sections, as well as the EPFL Vice Provost for Education or his/her deputy, who acts as chairperson.

e. The Award is presented on the occasion of an education-related academic event organised by the Section from which the winner graduated.

3. Regarding the PhD thesis:

a. The Award consists of an amount of CHF 10,000 in favour of the winner.

- b. Application is open to authors whose public thesis defence took place during the year preceding the application deadline.
- c. Application for the Award is put forward by the thesis jury chairperson based on a unanimous decision by the jury. Subject to the author's agreement, the thesis supervisor submits to the Research Office, within the set deadline, the following documents: copy of the thesis dissertation, author's CV, list of publications, most significant publications, and a letter of recommendation by the thesis supervisor.
- d. The award winner is selected by a jury made up in equal numbers of at least one member of each of the Directions of the School of Engineering (STI) and School of Basic Sciences (SB), as well as the EPFL Research Commission Chair, who acts as chairperson.
- e. The Award is presented on the occasion of research-related academic event.
4. In the event of a tie, allocation of the Award amount may be altered by the jury.
5. Should it consider that no project meets the terms for the Award, the EPFL waives presenting it.
6. The Award is allocated until the dedicated fund is exhausted.
7. The jury's decisions may not be appealed.
8. These Regulations enter into force on 1 April 2015. They terminate and are repealed once the Award can no longer be allocated.

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