



Call for Prizes for innovative research, projects, and entrepreneurial initiatives UNITA Universitas Montium Project

The name UNITA evokes the commitment of six universities (Università degli studi di Torino, Universidad de Zaragoza, Université Savoie-Mont Blanc, Universitatea de Vest din Timișoara, Universidade da Beira Interior and Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour) to a closer integration of their academic activities.

The UNITA Innovation Prize promotes the Open Innovation inside and around the UNITA community. The call will be governed by the following articles:

1. The objective of this call is to boost Open Innovation in the UNITA community and to contribute to the knowledge of Open Innovation between partners inside the UNITA community, and outside.
2. Are eligible the research teams of the six UNITA partners, the spin-off and start-up companies that belong to, or are issued from, their incubators.
3. Research and development will be awarded in two different categories: inside and outside the UNITA hubs themes.
4. Applications will consist in a 10-pages maximum report describing the project; this report will follow the guidelines detailed in article 5.
5. The report will present, and the evaluation grid will consider:
 - a. A general overview of the purpose of the research or development undertaken as part of the project submitted for the competition; this overview will place the project in its context;
 - b. A state of the art;
 - c. The proposed solution;
 - d. The maturity of the project; a minimum TLR3 level is recommended;
 - e. The future works;
 - f. The CV of the candidates and the presentation of the team or company;
 - g. The academic or project references of the candidates.
6. Each UNITA partner :
 - a. Will organize its own internal competition;
 - b. Will select a candidate for the final competition in each of the categories: inside and outside the UNITA hubs themes.
7. In the event that the Commission considers that the projects do not meet the minimum quality requirements or do not have the expected relationship with the proposed topics, some modality may be left deserted. In such a situation, the amount of the prizes may be accumulated and applied to the rest of the applications. In any case, the Commission will have the ability to make the decisions it deems most appropriate and its decisions will be final.
8. The selected works will receive a price of 3000 € (UNITA hubs themes category) or 2000 € (non-UNITA hubs themes category), and a certificate for each of the modalities. In addition, the selected works will be published, accordingly to confidentiality norms, on the UNITA website.
9. The research or development projects that received the prizes will cooperate with the UNITA project, for informational and awareness-raising purposes, as well as for the defense of the project's objectives, always citing the name of the author, initiative, project.
10. Applications will be performed by using [this application form link](#), and sending the application report (10 pages max, in one pdf file) before the 18th November at the latest to prize.unita@univ-smb.fr

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