

## **BiR&D Cross-Disciplinary PhD Thesis Awards 2020**

### **Life & Health Sciences – Science & Technology**

#### **REGULATIONS**



- Art. 1. On the initiative of the Belgian industrial Research and Development association (BiR&D), the Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique-FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS) and the Research Foundation Flanders (FWO) will grant in 2020 four **BiR&D Cross-Disciplinary PhD Thesis Awards**, amounting to **5.000 €** each. Two Awards will be granted for a PhD thesis in the domain of **Life & Health Sciences**, the other two Awards for a PhD thesis in the domain of **Science & Technology**. Each candidate can apply for one Award only, in the domain of his/her choice.
  - Art. 2. Each Award will reward an individual researcher who has obtained his/her **PhD from a Belgian university between November 1, 2018 and October 31, 2019**. Candidates from the Royal Military Academy are eligible.  
The jury will nominate a PhD thesis that presents an original contribution with potential industrial valorisation within a 5 years period (approximatively); the candidate should indicate clearly the cross-disciplinary approach applied in his/her PhD thesis work (section 12 of the application form).
  - Art. 3. The application, written in English, has to be submitted on **January 15, 2020** at the latest to the address [prix@frs-fnrs.be](mailto:prix@frs-fnrs.be). The following documents are requested :
    - the application form;
    - a detailed curriculum vitae, including a list of publications;
    - an electronic version of the PhD thesis.
- The application form is available on the website [www.frs-fnrs.be](http://www.frs-fnrs.be). The applicant has to indicate clearly on the form for which of the Awards – Life & Health Sciences or Science & Technology – he/she would like to apply.
- Art. 4. Each Award will be granted by decision of a domain specific Jury appointed by the F.R.S.-FNRS and the FWO. Representatives of BiR&D may attend the Jury meetings as observers. If two suitable candidates cannot be identified, a Jury can decide to only grant one Award in a domain, or not to grant the Award.
  - Art. 5. Any problems or disputes arising from the eligibility of submitted applications or from granting the Awards will be settled by the F.R.S.-FNRS and the FWO, whose decision in these respects will be final.
  - Art. 6. The scientific outline, presentations and evaluation reports generated in the framework of the BiR&D Multi-Disciplinary PhD Thesis Awards will be treated confidentially.

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