

## ENI AWARD 2009

### *Debut in Research Prize*

#### OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Eni is one of the most important vertically integrated energy companies in the world. It operates in the oil, natural gas, electricity production, engineering and construction and petrochemical product sectors and it is engaged in developing research into and the production, transport, conversion and trading of hydrocarbons. Eni is also involved in several scientific research projects on renewable energy technologies, particularly in the two major areas of biofuels and solar energy. Operating in about seventy countries, Eni invests in people and their education, aiding development through the integration of social, environmental and cultural issues in full respect of individual and community rights and national diversity. For the years 2008, 2009 and 2010 Eni is offering the Eni Award for research and innovation in the fields of energy and the environment.

#### 1) Aims

The *Debut in Research Prize* is one of the five awards categories of the Eni Award which also include the *Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Prize*; the *Environment protection Prize*; the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize* and the *Eni Innovation Awards*. The purpose of the *Debut in Research Prize*, which is the subject of this Announcement, is to promote research on sustainable energy.

#### 2) The *Debut in Research Prize*?

The Prize is awarded to two Ph.D. theses on research conducted in Italian Universities regarding on the subjects of the efficiency of the exploitation of hydrocarbons, renewable and non-conventional energy and the environment protection. The theses must have been presented and discussed at Italian Universities in the year of, or in the year immediately prior to, the date of this Official Announcement.

The Prize is awarded to students born in or after the year 1979.

#### 3) The Prizes

Each of the two winners declared by the Organizing Committee of the Eni Award will receive a prize of a gold medal specially minted by the Italian *Zecca di Stato* (State Mint) and €25,000 (twenty-five thousand euros).

The Prizes are awarded to the research theses that the Organizing Committee of the Eni Award nominates as the winners by 31 January 2009.

#### 4) Application procedure and deadline

Applications for the *Debut in Research Prize* must be presented and vouched for by University Chancellors; Deans of Faculty; Directors of Department; Professors of Universities and Polytechnics operating in Italy in the specific – or similar - fields for which the Prize is awarded. Independent applications will not be considered.

The deadline for submitting an application for the *Debut in Research Prize* is **5 o'clock p.m. on 24 October 2008.**

Application forms are available on the [www.eniaward.net](http://www.eniaward.net) website, and they have to respect the following criteria.

- 1) **The application form**, signed by the guarantor, together with the Summary of the thesis and the **qualifications, certificates, technical opinions and any publications** must be sent by email to the address [eniaward@feem.it](mailto:eniaward@feem.it) and the original paper version is to be sent to:  
Eni Award Scientific Secretariat,  
Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei,  
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by registered mail or by courier and in any case by a means suitable for certifying its receipt by and no later than the deadline specified by the Official Announcement.
  
- 2) A copy of the thesis must be sent by post to the Scientific Secretariat at the Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (address as at point 1 above).

## 5) Choosing the winner

The Scientific Committee shall assess whether each application meets the admittance requirements.

The Committee shall examine the work of the applications that have been accepted and shall present the name of the chosen winners of the *Debut in Research* Prize to the Organizing Committee of the Eni Award by 16 January, 2008.

The Scientific Committee is composed of a maximum of 27 Members, who are representatives of the International Scientific Community chosen by the Organizing Committee.

## 6) Regulations

The Eni Award and this Official Announcement are regulated by the Eni Award Regulations and approved by the Organizing Committee. The text of the regulations is available on the [www.eniaward.net](http://www.eniaward.net) website.

## 7) Contact details

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