

ENI AWARD 2009

New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons 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 development in the fields of energy and the environment.

1) Aims

The *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons 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 *Debut in Research Prizes* and the *Eni Innovation Awards*. The purpose of the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*, which is the subject of this Announcement, is to promote research on the technologies regarding the complete cycle of hydrocarbons (exploration, production, transport, distribution and transformation).

2) The *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons Prize*

The Prize is awarded to the person or group of people that have achieved internationally significant results in the development of technologies for the efficient use of hydrocarbons with particular reference to the activities of exploration, production, transport, distribution and transformation.

The following elements will be considered in the assessment of the project:

- achievable improvement in efficiency;
- contribution to sustainability of resources;
- degree of technological feasibility;
- where the innovation may be applied;
- cost-benefit ratio of the technology proposed;
- potential impact on the energy system.

The results have to have been achieved within the five-year period prior to the date of this annual Official Announcement.

3) The Prize

The Prize of a gold medal specially minted by the Italian Zecca di Stato (State Mint) and the sum of €300,000 (three hundred thousand euros) will be awarded to the research that the

Organizing Committee of the Eni Award nominates as the winner by 31 January 2009.

4) Application procedure and deadline

Applications for the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons* Prize have to include documents certifying the results obtained and the field, or institution, in which the idea was developed and realized. Due consideration will be given to certificates and technical assessments by Presidents and Members of Scientific Academies; University Chancellors; Deans of Faculty; Directors of Department; Professors of fields of study covered by the Eni Award, or related disciplines, pertaining to Universities and Polytechnics; Directors of recognized Institutes or Research Centers. It is also possible to make an independent application.

Applications which have been accepted by an earlier edition of the Eni Awards (Eni-Italgas Award – previously Italgas Award) can be re-submitted provided that suitable reasons are given for their re-submission.

The deadline for submitting an application for the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons* Prize is 5 o'clock p.m. on 24 October 2008.

Application forms are available on the www.eniaward.net website, and they have to respect the following criteria.

- 1) **The application form**, signed by the candidate, together with any **certificates, technical opinions** signed by the declarer must be faxed to the number +39 02 48 19 77 24 of the Scientific Secretariat and the original is to be sent to:

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Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei,
Corso Magenta 63
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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) The **Curriculum Vitae**, the **List of Publications**, and the text of the **three publications** regarding the results of the research required at point 12 of the Application Form must be sent in electronic format to the email address: eniaward@feem.it

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 winner of the *New Frontiers of Hydrocarbons* Prize to the Organizing Committee of the Eni Award by 16 January, 2009.

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 website.

7) Contact details

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