



Nominations Now Invited

Alfred-Toepfer-Prize 2009 for Agriculture, Forestry and Nature Conservation

The Alfred Toepfer Stiftung F.V.S., Hamburg, is proud to invite nominations for the Alfred-Toepfer-Prize 2009 for Agriculture, Forestry and Nature Conservation. The Prize, created in 2007, aims at recognizing and honouring innovative and exemplary scientific and practical achievements in the fields of agriculture, forestry and nature conservation in Europe.

Apart from this comprehensive purpose the prize intends to raise public awareness of scientific and practical achievements and to foster insight into the interdependency of scientific progress, innovation and rural development.

In 2009, the prize places particular emphasis on outstanding achievements in the field of forest sciences. The prize committee is especially looking for proposals which reflect the idea of the prize at its whole spectrum. The main part of the research should not date back more than five years.

The award is accompanied by a diploma and a cash prize worth €25,000. The cash prize is unrestricted and designed to further the innovative research of the successful nominee. Suitable candidates from any European country must be nominated by the dean of their faculty or college or by the director of the research institution. There is no age limit, but in the selection process emphasis will be given to younger researchers. The research upon which the nomination is to be evaluated must have been carried out at an institution in an European country.



Nominations should not exceed 10 pages and must include the following documentation:

1. Personal data
Name, title, position
Address, phone, e-mail
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. A short comprehensible summary of the achievements (1 page)
4. A precise description of the scientific achievements and a short summary on how these might affect society.
5. Details of the candidate's scientific acknowledgement and a list of selected relevant publications, presentations, earlier received awards, honorary work in scientific organizations and societies.

A copy of the complete nomination document should be submitted by March 15, 2009 to the Chairman of the Committee, Professor Dr. Karl-Reinhard Volz, Institute of Forest and Environmental Policy, University of Freiburg, D-79085 Freiburg, Germany.

The Alfred-Toepfer-Prize Committee, acting independently of the Alfred Toepfer Stiftung F.V.S., will select the prize-winner. Successful nominees will be notified by May 31, 2009. The Prize will be awarded on the occasion of a ceremony in October 2009