

Fritz Jahr Award

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The 4th Annual Fritz Jahr International Award for Research and Promotion of European Bioethics, 2019

The Fritz Jahr Award is an annual award which is presented to an eligible scholar or institution, that portrays outstanding efforts, qualities and achievements in the research and promotion of European Bioethics. The concept of European Bioethics hereby refers to the set of values promoted by European intellectual and cultural heritage, as opposed to that of geographical location. The chosen candidate or institution must also show commitment in aims to advance within the field of bioethics with adherence to the highest ethical standards.

The Fritz Jahr Award was established in 2016 in Rijeka, Croatia. The award was created through the collaboration of two well-known bioethics centers within two Universities, the University of Zagreb (Centre of Excellence for Integrative Bioethics of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences) and the University of Rijeka (Fritz Jahr Documentation and Research Centre for European Bioethics).

All nominees, either individuals or institutions, are applicable for this annual achievement Award with the exception of those who have already previously received it. The first awarded scholar was the German-American bioethicist Hans-Martin Sass, for 2016, while the second one was José Roberto Goldim from Porto Alegre, Brazil, for 2017. The third one was Fernando Lolas Stepke from Santiago, Chile, for 2018. The Award consists of a Diploma and a statue of Balance, which comprises the signature of Fritz Jahr.

Why the Fritz Jahr Award?

Fritz Jahr (1885-1953), a German theologian and teacher, from Halle an der Saale, was the first person to use the term "Bio-Ethik" (bioethics) in 1926. Jahr's concept

of bioethics also included the Bioethical Imperative definition; *“Respect every living being on principle as an end in itself and treat it, as possible, as such”*.



Award information

Jan Pavlović & Maša Milovac from Zagreb, Croatia, are the Fritz Jahr Award designers. The design is based on the principle of balance, and in its manifestation aims to symbolize utopian value equality.

The *Balance* statue consists of two simple wooden geometric shapes. It is wrapped, and delivered in an environmentally-friendly package, derived from recycled cardboard residues.

The Statue carries readable and basic award information. In its design, it provokes the awarded scholar, or institute, to reflect on the real contributions of their work, and the impossibility of unilateral fact observations. The overall aim of the Balance design is to highlight the two fundamental principles promoted by this Award: Quality and Sustainability.

The 2019 Award includes

- An organized awarding ceremony (Date to be confirmed; Rijeka, May 2019)
- Fully paid conference fees, travel costs from the relative European destination, and 3 days accommodation in Mali Lošinj during the 18th ‘Lošinj Days of Bioethics’ being held in May, 2019
- The awarded individual, or the representative of the awarded institution, is expected to present a 30 minute plenary lecture on a selected topic in European Bioethics for the 18th ‘Lošinj Days of Bioethics’ 2019 conference.

Eligibility information / Who May Submit Proposals?

- Nominations will be accepted from any recognized scholar or institution, with outstanding achievements in research and/or the promotion of European Bioethics.
- Self-nominations are not accepted.

Instructions for the nominations

If you would like to nominate a suitable candidate or institution, you need to complete the following Forms on the links below.

Award Nomination Form for Institutions/Organizations:

<http://bit.ly/2PIATzs>

In this form we will look for:

General information about you and Nominee (Institution/Organization Name, Name of the Head of Institution, Address, Phone, Fax, E-mail address)

Nominee's Achievements – List of relevant publications (up to 20) in the last 10 years

Nominee's Qualifications – Narrative Statement describing the Nominee's qualifications for the Award (max 2000 characters, including spaces)

Nominee's Curriculum Vitae – up to 3 pages

Award Nomination Form for Individuals:

<http://bit.ly/2GjaZmr>

In this form we will look for:

General Information about you and Nominee (Name and Surname, Title, Affiliation, Address, Phone, Fax, E-mail address)

Nominee's Achievements – List and a short explanation of relevant projects and/or activities carried out by the selected institution/organization related to European bioethics

Nominee's Qualifications – Narrative Statement describing the Nominee's qualifications for the Award

Nominee's Curriculum Vitae – up to 3 pages

Important Dates

Submission deadline

- All nominations must be received at the above address by **February 1st 2019**. Late entries will not be accepted.

Winner Announcement Date

- Rijeka **February 15th 2019.**

Award Ceremony Date

- Date to be confirmed, Rijeka **May 2019.**

Selection Process

Every received nomination will be evaluated by the Award Selection Committee, consisting of five international experts in bioethics, representing various institutions. The committee is appointed by the Centre of Excellence for Integrative Bioethics of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb, the Fritz Jahr Documentation and Research Center for European Bioethics, University of Rijeka, and the Borja institute of Bioethics, University Ramon Llull. All members of the Award Selection Committee should declare potential conflicts of interest during the evaluation process.

Please share this call for nominations with others who might wish to make a contribution. Questions about the appropriateness of a particular nomination (either individual or institution) are welcome and should be directed to Toni Buterin (toni.buterin@medri.uniri.hr).