CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Comenius-EduMedia-Award 2015

20 years Comenius-EduMedia-Awards

COMENIUS-AWARDS
The Society for Pedagogy, Information and Media (GPI, non-profit organisation), a scientific society for multimedia, educational technology and media didactics, awards in 2015 for the 20th time, since their founding in 1995, the Comenius-EduMedia Awards to outstanding products among ICT-supported educational media. With the Comenius-EduMedia Awards GPI supports again pedagogically, thematically and by design outstanding ICT-supported educational media in the 6th decade of its activities. The Comenius-EduMedia Awards have been awarded in German speaking regions since 1995 and in all countries participating since 1997. Since then the Comenius-EduMedia Awards became one of the most important awards for multimedia products in Europe. The awards are usually, but not exclusively presented to publishing houses, institutions and authors, who are developing, creating, publishing and disseminating outstanding ICT based educational products. The Comenius-EduMedia Awards are honorary awards. They are not connected to any financial benefit for the winners.

MULTIMEDIA PRODUCTS
The Comenius-EduMedia-Seal of Approval and the Comenius-EduMedia-Medal honour outstanding ICT-supported educational media. Besides, the Jury can award selected aspects of nominated works with the Comenius-EduMedia Special Awards or Comenius-EduMedia Supporting Awards. The Comenius-EduMedia Awards are given in the following domains:

• Didactic Multimedia Products (DMP)
  Didactically intended or directional multimedia products (CD-ROM, DVD, Internet supplied or hybrid MP),

• General Multimedia Products (AMP)
  Didactically not intended or non-directional multimedia products (multimedia encyclopaedias, learning objects, Internet supplied, audio books, television, radio or theatre projects, etc.),

• Educational Management Systems (LMS)
  Platforms, networks, author's systems, interactive systems etc.,

• Computer games with potentials conducive to competence (CKP)
  Computer games (maximal USK 16) supporting cognitive, medial, social and personality bound competence and sensor-motor ability.

EVALUATION AND AWARD PROCEDURE
For the assessment of the Comenius-EduMedia-Awards the following two-stage assigning procedure is applied:

1. Stage: Comenius-EduMedia-Seal of Approval (Rating)
  All submitted multimedia products are evaluated according to the qualitative criteria and evaluation procedures of the Institute of Education and Media of the GPI. All submissions that pass positively the evaluation for quality and functioning tests are awarded the Comenius-Seal of Approval. At the same time they are nominated for the second stage for estimating the Comenius-EduMedia Medal winners.

2. Stage: Comenius-EduMedia-Medal (Ranking)
  The Jury decides to honour the best out of the Comenius-EduMedia Seal of Approval awarded multimedia products with the Comenius-EduMedia Medal.
CATEGORIES
The Comenius Awards 2015 are given in the following categories:

Educational areas
• Preschool education,
• School education,
• Vocational education and training,
• University education,
• Personnel development,
• Continuing education / adult education,
• Non-institutional education.

Contents areas
• Political, historical and contemporary historical education,
• Ethical, social and euro-cultural education,
• Education in mathematics and science,
• Education in music, art and literature,
• Education in sports and health,
• Mother and foreign languages education,
• ICT, communication and media education,
• Technical and professional education,
• Economic and commercial education,
• Leisure education.

Areas of Usage
• E-Learning / E-Teaching,
• Blended-Learning / Blended-Education,
• Playful Learning,
• Management.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION
Applications for Comenius Awards are to be submitted via the online registration form by March 31st, 2015. The following conditions for participation have to be satisfied:

Application submission
The Application Form is to be found on the Comenius website of the GPI www.comenius-award.de. After the online submission of the application an email confirmation for participation and the invoice of payment will be sent back.

Product submission
Submission of 3 copies of the applying product (together with the associated documentation) or respectively 3 times unrestricted free of charge rights for access to online products and, if necessary, access codes, passwords, resolutions etc.

Image files
Online submission of an image file (png or .jpg; minimum 600x400 px; 200 dpi) accompanying the application for presenting, documentation and publication about the applying product.

Participation fee
For participating in the contest for the Comenius EduMedia Awards a participation fee of 395 € is required for each applying product title. After receiving the invoice the participation fee has to be submitted to:
IB&M der GPI
Bank für Sozial Wirtschaft Berlin
IBAN: DE52 1002 0500 0003 3981 01
BIC: BFSWDE33 BER

Legal proceedings are barred

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The Call for the Comenius-EduMedia-Awards 2015 is published on the Comenius websites of GPI www.comeniusaward.de, as well as in the GPI journal L.A. Multimedia. The call is also available at the Institute of Education and Media of the Society for Pedagogy, Information and Media (IB&M GPI) office in Berlin.
PARTICIPATION
The Comenius-EduMedia-Awards are open to publishing houses, institutions, universities, schools, project groups and authors of educational media from all countries, who design, create, publish or disseminate educational media supported by information and communication technologies (ICT).

COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVES
The GPI has assigned the following Country Representatives for advising and carrying out the Comenius EduMedia contest: Austria: Univ.-Prof. Dr. Thomas A. Bauer, Bulgaria: Prof. PhD Magdalena Kalaidjieva, Croatia: János Andócsi; Czech Republic: Prof. Dr. Barbara Köpplova, Cyprus: MSc. Christos Giannoulis, Greece: Univ.-Prof. Dr. Dimitris Charalambis, Hungary: MSc. Peter Csizmár, Kosovo: Dr. Remzie Shahini-Hoxhaj, Netherlands: Prof. Dr. Marlies Bitter-Rijkema, Slovenia: Doz. Dr. Marko Ivanisin.

FESTIVE AWARD PROCEDURE
The decision of the Jury about certification and nomination will be forwarded to every participant by June 10th, 2015 together with the invitation for the Festive Ceremony. During the festive presenting the Comenius EduMedia Awards 2015 on 25th June 2015 in Berlin are disclosed and announced the Comenius-EduMedia Seal of Approval and Comenius-EduMedia Medal winners. At the same time they are published on the web sites of GPI. All awards winners are presented and published in the GPI journal L.A. Multimedia, as well as in the Comenius database www.comenius-award.de. All winners can use Comenius-EduMedia-Award-Logo for advertising purposes after the award ceremony.

JURY
The Institute of Education and Media (IB&M) of the GPI and the GPI-Jury members evaluate and certify the multimedia products (stage 1). Thereafter, a grand jury including GPI-Board Members, the GPI-Trustees, GPI-Country Representatives form the decision on the winners of the Comenius-EduMedia Medal (stage 2). Members of the Grand Jury are: GPI-President Univ.-Prof. Dr. Dr. Gerhard E. Ortner, Paderborn, Hagen and Berlin; János Andócsi, Bilje (Croatia), o. Univ.-Prof. Dr. Thomas A. Bauer, Vienna (Austria); Univ.-Prof. Dr. Dimitris Charalambis, Athens (Greece); MSc. Peter Csizmár, Sopron (Hungary); MSc. Christos Giannoulis, Limassol (Cyprus); Prof. Dr. Marlies Bitter-Rijkema, Heerlen (Netherlands); Doz. Dr. Marko Ivanisin, Maribor (Slovenia); Prof. PhD Magdalena Kalaidjieva, Sofia (Bulgaria); Prof. Dr. Barbara Köpplova, Prague (Czech Republic); Prof. Dr. Gerda Kysela-Schiemer, Wien (Austria); OStD i.K. Hanspeter Loewen, Wülfrath; Univ.-Prof. Dr. eng. Uwe Lehnhert, Berlin; Joachim Luga, Dortmund; Dr. Bernd Mikuszeit, Berlin; Prof. Dr. Siegfried Piotrowski, Hagen; Dr. Elke Raddatz, Berlin; Dr. Remzie Shahini-Hoxhaj, Pristina (Kosovo); LMR a.D. Dr. Gerhard Stroh, Rothenburg ob der Tauber; Dr. Ute Szudra, Berlin; Dr. Joachim Thoma, Berlin; Univ.-Prof. Dr. Gerhard Zimmer, Berlin.

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