

Barcelona launches the first edition of the Hypatia European Science Prize

- The Academia Europaea-Barcelona Knowledge Hub is a key collaborator on the Prize within the framework of the “Barcelona, City of Science” programme.
- The Prize will rotate each year among three major areas: Science and Technology, Life and Health Sciences, and Humanities and Social Sciences.
- Candidates may be nominated by Members of Academia Europaea (AE) until the October 31st deadline, and the winner will be announced on November 27th, on the eve of the inauguration of the 30th AE Annual Congress, in Barcelona.



Barcelona City Council, in collaboration with the Academia Europaea-Barcelona Knowledge Hub (AE-BKH), launches the first edition of the **Hypatia European Science Prize**, as part of the “Barcelona, City of Science” programme.

The Prize was presented Tuesday, September 18th, at a press conference given by: **Gerardo Pisarello**, Deputy Mayor of Economy and Labour, Digital Technologies and International Relations; **Ricard Guerrero**, AE-BKH Academic Director, Chair Emeritus of Microbiology at the University of Barcelona and Adjunct Professor at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst (EUA); **Andreu Mas-Colell**, Member of the Academia Europaea;

and **Gemma Tarafa**, Commissioner for Health of the Barcelona City Council. The Prize also wishes to recognise women in science, and, for this reason, its name honours Hypatia of Alexandria, a 4th century woman scientist and philosopher who successfully bridged and disseminated all scholarly disciplines known during her time and who, for this same reason, was assassinated by the forces of ignorance and fanaticism.

The Prize aims to recognise an outstanding scientist or researcher who has conducted her/his career in Europe at the highest international level and has had a strong influence on different fields of knowledge and a positive impact on society. The Prize will rotate each year among three major areas of knowledge:

- Science and Technology (category of this first edition of the Prize)
- Life and Health Sciences
- Humanities and Social Sciences

In addition to a monetary prize of 30,000 euros, the winner will be invited to deliver a prize lecture at the Barcelona City Council hall on her/his research.

The Call for Nominations by Members of the Academia Europaea (AE) is open until October 31, 2018. On November 27, 2018, the name of the winner will be announced at a public award ceremony, held on the eve of the inauguration of the 30th AE Annual Congress, in Barcelona.

Details of the Prize, as well as the Nomination Form, are available at: <http://barcelona.acadeuro.org/presentation/>