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ECOMED BIO EFIB Award Basis

1. Award Features:

1.1 The European Award ECOMEDBIO EFIB sponsored by the ECOMED Project is established to reward authors of restoration projects in which the techniques of Landscape Bioengineering have been used and which represent the best professional practices at European level that are presented at the ECOMED EFIB congress, taking place in a Mediterranean country.

1.2 The Award will be convened and awarded every two years, coinciding with a congress held in the Mediterranean area of the European Federation of Landscape Bioengineering

1.3.- The Landscape Award Bioengineering ECOMEDBIO EFIB, hereinafter Award is open to all Bioengineering and restoration projects embodied in the 5 calendar years prior to the announcement of the award, either at the project level or execution.

Three categories are defined:

- Better project of Bioengineering of the water (Fluvial, lagoon, coastal)
- Better project of Bioengineering of slopes (linear infrastructures,
- Better Communication -elected by the audience attending the congress

1.4.- The Prize, which in no case will be declared void, consists of: an economic prize of €1,000, for one of the two projects awarded by the scientific committee and a free registration to the congress for the three awarded communications

The jury will decide two of the three prizes, the third, of better communication, will be an election of the public attending the congress

In no case can it be declared ex aequo. There will be no second prize and the finalists will be recognized in the jury minutes. There may be no provision honorable mentions, if the jury recognizes highlight specific values, in parallel to the selection of finalists for the award.

1.5 These bases can be reviewed by the scientific committee composed of members of EFIB and ECOMED as well as by the members of each association in charge of giving the prize in previous agreement with the organizers and collaborating entities, if necessary.

2.- Candidates:

2.1.- All professionals who carry out projects and / or execute Bioengineering works can be candidates for the Award.

2.2.-Any work submitted to the AEIP EFIB congresses, hereinafter The Congress, may opt for the Award twice, with the exception of works with renewed phases or when deemed convenient by the Organizing Committee. However, projects that have been finalists in previous editions can not be submitted.

2.3. Each author may submit a maximum of 5 works to the prize, although only one of them may be chosen as a finalist in the same call.





3.- Presentation of candidacies:

- 3.1.- Presentation of the Award must make the authors of the work, following the electronic procedure follows:
 - 3.1.1. Registration in the congress
 - 3.1.2. Expressly accept this participation regulation.

3.1.3. Fill in and submit the abstract of the project online based on the congress form with all the completed fields, which will at least provide the following information:

- 1. Name of the office or study.
- 2. Number of owners.
- 3. Personal data of each owner.
- 4. Number of collaborators.
- 5. Personal data of each collaborator.
- 6. Project file (includes: project title, award category, subcategory, year of project design, year of project completion, project location address, UTM coordinates, city or location, province or region, country, surface area, metric unit and cost per square meter).
- 7. Summary of the project (includes: objective of the proposal, description of the project, assessment of the finished work).
- 8. Graphic documentation (up to 9 images of the project in JPG or PNG format in CMYK ob / n, 12x20cm up to 300dpi or 20x12cm up to 350dpi.) Photographs and any material protected by intellectual property legislation must indicate the identity of the respective authors, being the responsibility of the contestants to have the required authorizations for the contribution and dissemination of the images for the purposes provided in these bases.

3.2.- With the presentation of the Award, the participants are responsible for having previously obtained the authorizations of the owners of the works made, if necessary, as photographers and collaborators who could hold any type of intellectual property rights over the material contributed. The previous authorizations will be extended by third parties with whom the organization of the Congress agrees to carry out the purpose of dissemination and promotion of the ECOMED EFIB congresses and the Awards associated with it, especially the Ecomed Award.

4.- The Jury:

4.1.- The jury will be composed of members of the scientific committee of the congress and will be composed of between 3 and 7 members. The name and curriculum of the members of the jury will be public.

4.2.- The Jury is structured in the positions of President and Members appointed by the organizing committee of the Congress, as well as a Secretary (without vote), exercised by a person designated by the organizing committee of the Congress. Each member has one vote -except the Secretary-; in case of a tie, the quality vote of the president of the Jury will prevail.

4.3.- The jury will meet virtually or face-to-face, according to budgetary possibilities, and in all cases, depending on who holds the functions of secretary, will draw up the minutes of said meeting. The minutes will then be sent to all members and validated by them before being signed by the president and secretary

4.4.- The Jury will be considered validly constituted when, in addition to the president, at least half of the members with voting rights attend. The processing agreements will be taken by simple majority of total votes; the preselection agreements by majority vote and the agreements for the awarding of the Award will be taken by simple majority of votes, recognizing the President of the Jury the vote of quality to decide in case of a tie.





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4.5.- The members of the Jury will not be remunerated for any reason. The organization of the Award is responsible for the coverage of the corresponding travel, lodging and maintenance expenses within the congress standards.

5.- Selection procedure:

5.1.- Awards may be selected among the papers submitted to the conference organized by ECOMED EFIB among those selected for communication.

When selecting the candidates for the Award, the organizing committee will make the pre-selection among all the registered ones, where projects that do not comply with these rules will be excluded from the competition and will give way to the presentation of the preselection to the President of the jury for their evaluation. Once the pre-selection of participants has been made, the procedure for the selection of the candidate projects and delivery of the Award will be as follows:

A first selection phase will consist in making a selection through the abstracts sent of the papers that are presented as communication and as a poster.

Each member of the scientific committee will evaluate a minimum of six papers giving a score of 1 to 6. Each work will be evaluated by three members of the scientific committee. Those works that have the highest score will be selected for communication, leaving the rest for poster presentation.

5.1.2 The second phase will consist of the election, by the members of the jury present during the congress, of two of the three prizes.

The third award, selected for the best communication, will be awarded by the public, collecting their votes after the presentation of the congress.

6.- Final decision and delivery of the Award:

6.1.- The Jury agrees to deliberate after the exhibition of finalist projects to have the decision taken at noon of the day following the day of presentation of the same.

6.2.- The finalist authors must be present to deliver their projects as well as they must be registered in the congress. In case no author or representative of the same goes to the presentation of projects, this candidacy will automatically be out of competition. In case of absence of a member of the Jury, this will be replaced by another person who will decide the organizing committee.

6.3.- The winners of the Award will be made public during the celebration of the congress, specifically the second day at the end of the day and will be delivered by the president of the Jury after reading the minutes.

6.4.- The two awarded projects will receive in this act a signed certificate and an economic endowment of \leq 1,000 that will be delivered by bank transfer to the designated account, after application of the relevant fiscal obligations, according to the Spanish legislation and the agreements in tax matters that were applicable between Spain and the state of residence of the winner if it were a different one. For purely informative purposes, it is stated that:

The winners, whether it is a natural person or legal entity, will be taxed with a withholding tax whose percentage, depending on the residence of the awarded, may vary:

a) Residents in Spain: retention of 19%





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b) Residents in the European Union, Iceland or Norway: retention of 19%, with the peculiarity that, as they do not have a Spanish CIF, the winner must present a certificate of residence in the country of origin. In this case, the retention may also vary:

-Presentation of residence certificate at origin: retention of 19%.

-Not presenting the certificate of residence at source: 24% withholding.

7.- Intellectual property and assignment of rights:

All the materials submitted to the Award are the property of the respective authors, and in no case will the organization of the Prize request any type of material with any purpose other than the celebration and diffusion of the EFIB Congress and the Awards associated with it. And, considering this, the return of material to the authors, winners or not, is not contemplated. The graphic materials presented to the Award by the participants will be considered as a cession that in turn may transfer them to third parties for the sole purpose of promoting the EcomedBio EFIB award.

The authors participating in the Award, by accepting these bases that condition the participation, accept the assignment of rights of the images that represent the work for the aforementioned purposes, and answering to the Organization that they have produced or obtained lawfully all the materials contributed, respecting scrupulously the intellectual property rights of third parties. The Organization will not be liable for the misuse of the participants before third parties that may be harmed, and reserves the right to expel from the Award any participant who has infringed this regulation, without prejudice to criminally prosecute infractions that directly or indirectly harm.

8.-Protection of Personal Data:

In compliance with the provisions in force on the protection of personal data, the personal data that participants voluntarily provide when registering at the congress will be treated and conserved in order to offer access to the Congress and the Award in its modalities, without communications or data transfers to third parties unrelated to the organization of the Congress and the Prize.

The data provided will be kept for the duration for which they were obtained and provided that their owners do not exercise any rights of those who protect them. They will not be communicated to third parties, except by legal obligation, nor will any international data transfer be made without the prior consent of the owners. Once these data are no longer needed, they will be irreversibly anonymized and treated in an aggregate way to make statistics for the study and analysis of the needs of professional activities and social needs related to the Landscape.

The holders of the data have the right to request access, rectification and deletion of the same, as well as have the right to limitation and opposition to their treatment, for which they should contact the organizing entity, sending an email to: <u>congreso@aeip.org.es</u>

The holders of the data also have the right to withdraw the consent given at any time. The withdrawal of consent will not affect the legality of the treatment carried out before the withdrawal of the consent. They also have the right to submit a claim, if they consider that the processing of personal data does not comply with the regulations in force, before the Control Authority.