



IBM Innovation Award 2019

REGULATIONS



- Art. 1. On the initiative of IBM, the Fund for Scientific Research-FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS) will grant in 2019 the **IBM Innovation Award**, amounting to **5.000 €**, for an outstanding **PhD thesis** that presents an original contribution to informatics or its applications in one of the following fields:
- Artificial Intelligence
 - Social Media
 - Analytics & Big Data
 - Mobile Computing
 - Cyber Security
 - Cloud Computing

The informatics part of the work must be both thorough and advanced.

- Art. 2. The Award is intended for an individual postdoctoral researcher or Professor who has publicly defended his/her **PhD thesis at a university of the Federation Wallonia-Brussels between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018**. Candidates must be affiliated to a recognized university on the date of the submission deadline.

Candidates from the **Royal Military Academy** are eligible.

- Art. 3. The Award will be granted on basis of the recommendations of a Jury of experts appointed by the F.R.S.-FNRS. A representative of IBM may attend the Jury meeting as observer. If no suitable candidate can be identified, the Jury can decide not to grant the Award.
- Art. 4. Applications, **written in English**, have to be submitted electronically to prix@frs-fnrs.be for March 1st, 2019 at the latest.
- Art. 5. The application file must be composed of :
- the application form,
 - an executive summary of the thesis in max. 3 pages,
 - the doctoral thesis defense report,
 - a detailed curriculum vitae,
 - a list of publications,
 - an electronic version of the thesis.

The regulations and form are available on the website www.frs-fnrs.be.

- Art. 6. The Award cannot be divided amongst several researchers.
- Art. 7. Any question concerning the applications and the awarding of the Award will be settled in a final and binding manner by the F.R.S.-FNRS.
- Art. 8. The deliberations of the Jury are confidential and may not be revealed.

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