



## IBM Innovation Award 2017

### REGULATIONS



- Art. 1. On the initiative of IBM, the Fund for Scientific Research-FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS) will grant in 2017 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:
- Cognitive Computing
  - 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, 2016 and December 31, 2016**. 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](mailto:prix@frs-fnrs.be) for March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 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](http://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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