



# CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN FOUNDATION

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## **GULBENKIAN PRIZES (2017-2021)**

**Regulation**

**2017 edition**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, an international philanthropic institution, open to the world, seeks to support actions which contribute to the construction of a fairer and more solidary society, where equal opportunities and sustainability help to prepare the citizens of the future.

The Gulbenkian Prizes are given annually. They aim to recognize individuals or institutions that have distinguished themselves, due to their relevance and work, in the Foundation's main areas of intervention, in line with the strategic priorities defined by the Board of Trustees.

### **FIRST**

#### **Objective and Term**

1. **The Gulbenkian Prizes** aim to distinguish individuals or institutions that have contributed decisively and with particular impact in handling the topics selected annually by the Board of Trustees, which integrate each of the categories of the Gulbenkian Prizes defined on the second clause.
2. Prizes shall be awarded annually for a period of five years.

### **SECOND**

#### **Categories**

**The Gulbenkian Prizes** are given in the following categories:

- **Human rights**

To natural persons or non-profit legal persons who have distinguished themselves internationally in the defense and implementation of human rights. In 2017, special attention will be given to **refugee issues**.

- **Cohesion**

To natural persons or non-profit legal persons who carry out their activity in Portugal and have distinguished themselves in the defense and promotion of social cohesion and integration. In 2017, special attention will be given to **the well-being in aging**.

- **Sustainability**

To natural persons or non-profit legal persons who carry out their activity in Portugal and have distinguished themselves in the defense and promotion of the



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sustainability of natural resources. In 2017, special attention will be given to **the reduction of the ecological footprint.**

- **Knowledge**

To natural persons or non-profit legal persons who carry out their activity in Portugal and have distinguished themselves valuing Education as well as in the promotion and dissemination of knowledge. In 2017, special attention will be given to **promoting educational attainment.**

## **THIRD**

### **Value**

The value of the Gulbenkian Prizes will be € 50,000 (fifty thousand euros) in all categories, except in the "Human Rights" category, which will be 100,000 € (one hundred thousand euros).

## **FOURTH**

### **Decision Making Procedure**

1. The decision to award the Prizes shall be the made by the Board of Trustees of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, based on the proposals of the independent jury. The jury will be appointed for this purpose among national and foreign individuals of recognized merit and previously chosen by the Board of Trustees of Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.

3. The jury shall decide by a simple majority of its members.

4. The final decision of the Board of Trustees of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation cannot be appealed.

## **FIFTH**

### **Assessment criteria**

In the process of assessing applications, the objectives of the Gulbenkian Prizes as well as the impact, the originality and innovative nature of the candidate's contribution to each theme will be used as fundamental criteria.

## **SIXTH**

### **Applications**

1. Fully-grounded applications must be submitted exclusively online, from April 3 to May 31 of each year, on the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation website ([www.gulbenkian.pt](http://www.gulbenkian.pt)), following the instructions given therein.

3. The jury may request additional clarifications on the candidates, in addition to the documentation submitted with the application.

4. The Prizes will be delivered each year, at the headquarters of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, in a ceremony that will take place on the day the Foundation celebrates its Founder.



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## **SEVENTH**

### **Eligibility**

1. Any individual or private non-profit legal person, regardless of nationality, shall be considered eligible for winning the Prizes, provided that they respect the geographical scope of action specified for each category.
2. Prizes may not be awarded posthumously or to an institution which has ceased its activity.