



DANONE INTERNATIONAL PRIZE FOR ALIMENTATION

RULES AND REGULATIONS 2020

I. INTRODUCTION

Since the last edition in 2017, the Danone International Prize for Alimentation (DIPA) has evolved from the former Danone International Prize for Nutrition (DIPN). The change is in recognition of the need for innovative and collaborative approaches that take account of the diverse influences on people's food choices and eating habits - including economic, social, psychological and cultural factors – collectively known as "Alimentation".

The DIPA is being opened to mid-career emerging leaders in the field, rewarding pioneering research that spans multiple disciplines and represents a major advance in Alimentation.

The DIPA is awarded jointly by the Danone Institute International (DII) and the French research organization, the Fondation pour la Recherche Médicale (FRM).

The DIPA *Second Edition* Call for Applications is open until 16th October 2020.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the DIPA is to encourage and support cutting edge, innovative and multidisciplinary scientific research in Alimentation, the umbrella term for sustainable eating and drinking practices that contribute to the health of individuals, including food choice, purchase, preparation, cooking and meal organisation, and their determinants. The award is intended to raise the profile of a mid-career researcher and accelerate his/her career, as well as help develop knowledge on the topic and inspire junior researchers.

The DIPA will recognise the work of a single researcher, or a representative of a research team, who is leading a pioneering and collaborative approach in Alimentation.

The Prize is open to research scientists from a variety of scientific disciplines within Alimentation, including behavioural science, sociology, anthropology, psychology, environmental science, economics, and cultural studies.

The DIPA aims to:

- advance understanding of Alimentation through cutting edge research;
- encourage and inspire pioneering advances that integrate lifestyle, cultural, socio-economic and environmental approaches into research on sustainable diets;
- boost collaboration between the different disciplines affecting nutrition, from anthropology to economics;

- support talented and highly motivated mid-career researchers whose work contributes to scientific excellence in the field of Alimentation.

The research may be of any aspect of Alimentation but should be across disciplines. Laureates of the Prize are rewarded for their multidimensional approach in Alimentation. Hence their research must combine several dimensions of Alimentation that should necessarily be addressed together. The Laureates must also be recognised for their research work by their peers, particularly researchers. The Laureates will be chosen for their capacity to think collectively and to cooperate with other researchers and professionals.

Applicants must be mid-career scientists, employed by a not-for-profit institution and actively involved in research at the time of the award selection.

Associated keywords: alimentation, healthy eating behaviours, public health, sustainable diets, societal, behavioural, socio-anthropological approaches to food and nutrition, innovative collaborative and multidisciplinary, practices relating to food and their determinants

III. **GRANT / SPONSORSHIP**

The DIPA award is one hundred thousand euros (€100,000) (hereinafter the "Prize") and is awarded by the DII and the FRM.

Of the one hundred thousand euros (€100,000) Prize, seventy-five percent (75%) will be granted for an Alimentation research project. The Laureate should be directly involved in that project and it should be under the auspices of a non-profit organization. The remaining twenty-five percent (25%) of the Prize will be granted individually to the Laureate.

IV. **ORGANISATION AND APPLICATION PROCESS**

A. Organisation

The DIPA process is a two-phase process and is based on two main components:

- The Prize Committee
- The Jury

Prize Committee

A Prize Committee will review eligible applications and draw up a short-list of around ten (10) applicants. Short-listed applicants will be asked to submit a full application which will then be subjected to another round of evaluation by the Jury.

The Prize Committee will comprise DII scientific board members and one representative of the FRM. Apart from establishing the aforementioned short-list, the Prize Committee's duties are to:

- validate the present Prize rules and timeline;

- appoint the members of the Jury, according to the expertise needed to evaluate the short-listed applicants and their full application.

Jury

The Jury is chaired by an internationally renowned scientist appointed by the Prize Committee. The Jury selects the Laureate from the short-list of applicants drawn up by the Prize Committee. The Jury comprises up to six (6) members:

- the President of the Jury
- the President of the Prize Committee
- a researcher appointed by FRM
- two (2) to three (3) scientific/nutrition/societal/public health association representatives chosen by the Prize Committee for their expertise in Alimentation.

The Jury's duties are to:

- select the Laureate of the 2020 DIPA, and
- award the Prize

In the case of a tie, the Chair's vote counts as two (2) votes. Decisions of the Jury are final and may not be subject of an appeal from the applicants or the Prize committee. The Jury will consider at its sole discretion the relevance to public health and the innovative and multidisciplinary nature of the research approach.

If a member of the Jury is employed or related to the same public institution as an applicant, he may not vote for this applicant for the Laureate election.

B. Application process: a two-stage process

All applications should be in English and the publications related to the research should be published in the public domain, in English.

Applicants will first have to submit a "first short application" comprising:

1. Cover page downloaded from www.danoneinstitute.org
2. Curriculum vitae (CV) of their scientific career (maximum four pages in pdf format, describing the main achievements in education, appointments, membership of committees and associations, PhD tutoring, scientific management and a 10-year track record)
3. An overview of their research work (maximum three pages in pdf format), together with:
 - o a summary of work in progress
 - o a brief description of future planned projects
 - o a proposal of related key words for the submitted work
 - o a paragraph describing the scientific rationale for the application
4. A one-page letter explaining how their current research work and future research plans fit with the purpose of the DIPA, including a description of how the work represents a major advance in the topic and pointing out the multidisciplinary and collaborative aspects of the approach used and its potential impact
5. A list of ten to fifteen publications documenting the applicant's past research, including the most recent publications.

The closing date for applications is 16th October 2020

After pre-selection by the Prize Committee, around ten (10) short-listed applicants will be contacted again and invited to submit a full proposal containing the following documents:

1. Of the 10 to 15 publications listed in the application file, the complete pdf files of five of the most relevant publications, all research related to the “major advance in alimentation science” must be published in the public domain, in English
2. A one-page declaration of interests stating any participation by the applicant in any authority of private for-profit companies (scientific committee, board, etc.), and any current or recent (within the past five years) source of funding from for-profit companies or the applicant’s research foundations
3. A one-page document detailing the planned use of the Prize money
4. A one-page document detailing “what is your vision of alimentation and your holistic approach of alimentation”
5. A short video (in English, maximum five minutes, mpeg format), presenting:
 - the applicant and the research work
 - the major advance in the topic achieved by the research
 - the multidisciplinary and collaborative aspects of the approach
 - the importance of the DIPA including the applicant’s interest on becoming an ambassador of the DIPA (see section VIII), in promoting Alimentation as an essential area of scientific research

All documents should be sent by e-mail to the dedicated contact address: dipaprize2020@gmail.com until **28th December 2020**.

C. Selection criteria

Eligible submissions shall be reviewed based on the following criteria:

- Fit with the purpose of the DIPA:
 - Contribution to the development of a holistic vision of Alimentation
 - Success in linking different disciplines, promotion of transdisciplinary research.
- Scientific achievements:
 - Originality and innovation of scientific contribution (subjects, methodology, collaboration, etc.)
 - Recognition of the research by peers.
- Potential outcomes:
 - Potential practical outcomes of research work
 - Recognised leadership skills, capacity for networking and role in the research community (contribution to creating, organising, leading and developing researchers’ communities around important topics)
 - Advocacy, mobilisation and commitment to Alimentation. Proven interest and ability to engage with and spread messages to other audiences.
- Interest and suitability to be an ambassador of the DIPA for the promotion of Alimentation.

D. Eligibility

To be eligible, an application must meet the following criteria:

- The applicants must:
 - o belong to a non-profit organisation
 - o currently take an active part in research work
 - o have been conducting research for 10 to 20 years
 - o benefit from a certain degree of recognition from their peers beyond their national border (including, but not exclusively, through the number and quality of publications in peer reviewed journals or books, talks, conferences, etc.)
 - o have a proven interest and ability to engage with and spread messages to their peers and other audiences
 - o Make himself available for the award of the Prize (see hereunder Article VII-Awarding the Prize) and agree with the conditions of promotion of the DIPA (see hereunder Article VIII-Promotion of the DIPA and Prize Laureate Work).
- Their research work:
 - o contributes to a better understanding of Alimentation
 - o combines several dimensions of Alimentation (e.g. behavioural, socioeconomic, public health, cultural factors)
 - o is interdisciplinary: links and integrates different disciplines (e.g. anthropology, sociology, psychology)
 - o is rigorous and innovative.

Eligibility is not subject to any geographical limitation in terms of nationality or focus of work.

V. POLICY ON ANIMAL TESTING

Applications for the DIPA are subject to the DII policy on animal testing.

International bodies such as the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) have defined animal welfare standards, including specific recommendations for animal testing. There are also strict rules for animal testing, which are spelled out in a Directive for the protection of animals used for scientific purposes first adopted by the European Union in 1986 and revised in 2010 (Directive 2010/63/EU).

The DII requires researchers to follow these recommendations and, irrespective of where projects are carried out, and/or the location of research partners (within or outside the EU), to strive for compliance to these guidelines, with a strong focus on efforts to Replace, Reduce and Refine animal research (the internationally recognised "Triple R"). Researchers should challenge the need to do animal testing and, where possible, use available approaches based on alternative methods.

VII. **AWARDING THE PRIZE**

The 2020 DIPA will be awarded at the 22nd International Congress of Nutrition (ICN) in September 2021 that will take place in Tokyo, Japan.

The President of the Prize Committee, the President of the Jury, a representative of FRM and a representative of Danone Institute International will award the Prize.

The Laureate must be present at the Prize award ceremony and give a lecture about his/her scientific research work.

The Laureate will participate actively in the communications associated with the award and in the preparation of the lecture during the award ceremony.

VIII. **PROMOTION OF THE DIPA AND PRIZE LAUREATE WORK**

It is a condition of the Prize award that the Laureate is committed to give at least one/two additional lectures during congresses, scientific events or other events (webinars or other social/digital activities) within the 24 months following the award ceremony.

A second lecture by the Laureate may be organised in 2021 or 2022, depending on the DII scientific programme.

The Laureate authorises the DII and the FRM to communicate about the Prize and related scientific achievements to the scientific community and other professionals involved in communication, education and teaching.

Any communication and related content will be submitted for the approval of the Prize Laureate, who agrees to make every effort to respond by the given deadline. The copyrights of material produced by the DII and/or the FRM (including, but not exclusively, audio-video recording, publications, on-line conferences, website content) belong to the DII and/or the FRM.

In the context of the promotion of the Prize, the DII and the FRM may also communicate to the press and the general public on the Laureate, the research and the award name and process.

The Danone group reserves the right to communicate its involvement in the DII and therefore in the DIPA. The promotion of the Prize will be independent of any product communication.

The Laureate agrees to acknowledge the DIPA in any communication and publication resulting from research projects supported by the Prize.

The DII will ask the Laureate to act as its ambassador to promote Alimentation. In that capacity, the Laureate commits to promote the topic of Alimentation and:

- take part in events organised or supported by the DII as a speaker or moderator

- participate in DII public relations activities related to Alimentation, the DIPA and other DII projects (including, but not exclusively, press relations, reports, public relations)
- other activities or events may be identified and agreed with the Prize Laureate.

The DII will support the Laureate and will pay for all reasonable expenses related to the role of ambassador (e.g. travel, accommodation, subsistence).

IX. OBLIGATION

By submitting its application, the Laureate accepts the present Rules and Regulations. The DII, with the FRM, reserves the right under certain circumstances to revoke the award and in those cases, the Jury will take the final decisions (agree or disagree and, if appropriate, selection of a new Laureate among the pre-selected applicants).

X. PERSONAL DATA – GDPR

A. Personal Data collected

While participating the DIPA, you will provide us with certain personally identifiable information that can be used to contact or identify you (“Personal Data”), including first and last name, information available through your Curriculum vitae, email and postal address, phone number, or past collaborations and work experience.

We may need further Personal Data (financial or billing information) should you be chosen as the Laureate, to contact you and manage your duties and participation to events as an ambassador of DII.

B. Purpose

DII will use your Personal Data to contact you concerning the DIPA, your selection, award, or any other administrative management of the DIPA, and possibly your role as an ambassador of DII.

C. Retention Policy

Any collected Personal Data is kept for no longer than is necessary by DII for the purposes for which it is processed, herein the DIPA. Non-necessary Personal Data collected from participants that are not in the short-list established by the Committee will be erased after the communication of the first stage results, or after the Prize award, depending if they passed the pre-selection. Personal Data of the Laureate may be kept for the duration of its ambassador status. Such period shall in any case be reasonable and proportionate.

D. Your rights

You may at any time decide to retire from the DIPA and stop receiving any information concerning the DIPA from DII. In any case, you have the right to access your Personal Data and to correct it, you have the right to request that we delete your Personal Data, to restrict or to object to its processing, and the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority. To exercise your rights, please contact us at dipaprize2020@gmail.com

XI. OTHER INFORMATION

“Danone Institute International” was incorporated as a not-for-profit organisation on 13 November 2003, under the French law of 1 July 1901. The purpose of the DII includes the promotion of human health internationally (including in countries where the Danone Institute is not established) by developing and disseminating knowledge about the links between food and health, and to highlight the importance of nutrition in health.

The registered office of the DII is in France. The Board of Directors of the DII decides on the location of the DIPA award ceremony. Local Danone group subsidiaries can act as host and organiser of the award ceremony with the assistance of the local Danone Institute if it exists in that country.

“FRM” was created in 1947 serving research and health for over 70 years, the Foundation for Medical Research (FRM) is the largest charitable financier of French medical research on all pathologies. Each year, it supports over 400 new research projects carried out in the laboratories of public research and higher education organizations.

The Prize Committee reserves the right to change the amount of the Prize. The DII, the Headquartered of which are in France, is the donor of the Prize.

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