

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



INTERNATIONAL PRIZE

The Fyssen Foundation aims to encourage all forms of scientific inquiry into the cognitive mechanisms, including thought and reasoning, that underlie animal and human behavior, their biological and cultural bases, as well as their phylogenetic and ontogenetic development.

The theme of 2025 International Prize is:

NEUROBIOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS OF HUMAN COGNITION

Cognition has evolved along the human lineage and is particularly developed in Homo sapiens along with the complexity of social interactions. The elucidation of the particularities in the development, organization and functional properties of the human brain which allow these performances is a major scientific challenge. Progress in that direction requires the combination of multiple approaches and disciplines.

The Prize will be awarded to an internationally recognized scholar who has significantly advanced our understanding of the neurobiological mechanisms which endow humans of their cognitive abilities.

This Prize will be awarded to a scientist who has conducted distinguished research in the areas supported by the Foundation: **Ethology, Psychology, Cognitive Neuroscience, Social Anthropology, Ethnology, Human Palaeontology and Archaeology.**

It is expected that the applicant will have significantly influenced cognitive sciences at an international level.

The award for the International Prize is **100 000 €**.

The application must be submitted by a recognized scientist and include:

- A recommendation letter,
- A curriculum vitae and a list of publications,
- A summary (four pages maximum) of the scientific achievements that justify the awarding of the Prize.

Complete application shall be sent by email to: infos@fondationfyssen.fr

DEADLINE : NOVEMBER 7th, 2025

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