

Innovation Award for Sustainability 2023 of the Stiftung Südtiroler Sparkasse and the Südtiroler Sparkasse

To honour outstanding innovative achievements in the field of sustainability, the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, on behalf of the Stiftung Südtiroler Sparkasse and the Südtiroler Sparkasse, announces the "Innovation Award for Sustainability 2023 of the Stiftung Südtiroler Sparkasse and the Südtiroler Sparkasse".

The prize is awarded to South Tyrolean entrepreneurs and collaborators for innovative solutions, products or services for sustainable development in the sense of the UN's 17 SDGs.

For the prize a total of € 10,000 gross is available, which can be awarded to a maximum of two people. If more than one person wins the prize, it will be divided equally. The prize will be awarded during an award-ceremony at unibz, the date of which will be announced.

Application guidelines

1. The call addresses entrepreneurs and collaborators who have designed or implemented innovative solutions, products or services for a sustainable development.
2. The invention, development or service was carried out in the period 2021-2023 and contributes to one or more of the UN's 17 SDGs (a maximum of 3 SDGs can be reported).
3. The company is based in South Tyrol, and the invention, development or service has been done in South Tyrol.
4. The application consists of the following documents:
 - Fully completed and signed application form.
 - Summary of the work (maximum 3 pages) with the following elements: Context of the work; innovative elements; individual contribution of the applicant; maximum of 3 SDGs with rationale; impact of the invention, development or service on the economy and society; reference to further documents, websites etc. describing the work.
 - We recommend (optional) to send in a short video presenting the invention, product or service (max. 3 minutes)
5. Applications can be submitted in English, German or Italian.
6. Applications must be sent by e-mail to the Vice-Rector for Research at rectorate@unibz.it by **30.06.2023** at the latest.
7. Candidates whose innovative work has a thematic reference to South Tyrol will be given priority over others with equal quality.
8. The Innovation Prize for Sustainability of the Stiftung Südtiroler Sparkasse and the Südtiroler Sparkasse can only be awarded once to the same person.
9. The jury for the selection of the winner(s) of the Innovation Prize for Sustainability will be composed of the following members:
 - President of the Free University of Bozen/Bolzano
 - Rector of the Free University of Bozen/Bolzano
 - The Vice-Rector for Research of the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano
 - One representative of the Stiftung Südtiroler Sparkasse

- One representative of the Südtiroler Sparkasse

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