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## **SMAT WATER AWARD – Competition Announcement**

**Società Metropolitana Acque Torino S.p.A.** (SMAT) is a company whose shares are entirely public: it manages the Integrated Water Service (production and distribution of drinking water, wastewater collection, treatment, reuse and/or restitution to the Environment) for the City of Turin and 293 municipalities of the Metropolitan Area, in favor of over 2.3 million inhabitants.

SMAT recognized, since its beginning, the meaning of innovation and the essential role of scientific research applied to the subject of water resources. In order to provide a defined thrust to such pathway, SMAT inaugurated in 2008 its own Research Center, whose mission is the development of innovative projects through studies and experiments, thus contributing to the growth and the improvement of the water sector.

The final goal is to provide an integrated water service of high quality, increasing the accessibility level of the service and the protection of the resources.

### **Purpose**

“*SMAT WATER AWARD*” rewards the best applications in the field of water service: it aims to promote intelligence, creativity and technological innovation applied to the water cycle and stimulates applied research.

### **Subject of the award**

“*Resilience of water systems and climate change*”, “*Innovative systems for water meters remote reading*”, “*Innovative systems for network losses search*” e “*Innovative systems for network and systems monitoring*” are the main topics of the 1st edition of SMAT WATER AWARD. The prize will be awarded at the discretion of the Judging Committee appointed by SMAT. It consists in a scholarship of the value of € 20,000.000, in addition to the possibility to use a work station at the SMAT Research Center for one year to develop the research object of recognition. Proposals will also be evaluated outside the preferential topics listed above, provided that they are related to the water service.



## **Award recipients**

*SMAT WATER AWARD* is addressed to bearers of brilliant ideas for the promotion of research and technological and management innovation in the field of the integrated water service.

The initiative is open to adults, living in Italy or abroad.

## **Exclusion conditions**

- members of the Judging Committee;
  - SMAT employees and their family members;
  - SMAT contractors;
  - anyone bearing a conflict of interest with SMAT
- are excluded from participating in the initiative.

## **How to participate**

Participation is free. The application will consist in a written elaborate in English or Italian with a maximum of 5 pages, (in addition to a maximum of 5 pages of attachments) to be forwarded using SMAT instructions.

Each participant may submit one elaborate.

The deadline for the submission of the candidacies is November 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 CET (Central European Time).

The form for the submission of the application is available at the following link:

<https://www.smatorino.it/water-award-2018-candidatura/>

## **Procedures and criteria for evaluation**

The Judging Committee will be appointed by the President of SMAT and will include 3 members: it receives the elaborates, analyzes the content and submits the ranking for the designation of the winner.

For the 2018 edition, priority will be given to:

- the innovative and technological value of the elaborate;
- the impact of the innovative idea on SMAT integrated water service;
- The economic result, thanks to the application of innovation.

## **Unassigned award**

Should the level of application not be deemed as satisfactory, the Judging Committee may propose to devolve the amount to future editions.

## **Award Ceremony**

The Award Ceremony will be held on November 20<sup>th</sup> 2018.

Top visibility of the event will be given through media

## **Regulation**

*SMAT WATER AWARD* is subjected to the Regulation approved by SMAT – <https://www.smatorino.it/water-award-2018-regolamento/>

## **Information and contact**

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