



## EURON *Georges Giralt* PhD Award

### Seventh Edition

#### Announcement and Call for Applicants

EURON, within the activities of the Education and Training Key Area, is organising the seventh Ph. D Award in Robotics in Europe. This action aims to promote the quality of young researchers work, in their first research period. The Award will be presented during the annual EURON meeting to be held in March 2008, together with the Technology Transfer Award.

#### Candidates profile

The candidates will be researchers in the field of robotics having obtained his or her Ph. D Thesis degree in any institution member of EURON during 2006, in any topic within robotics.

The candidates must have obtained the highest score attainable in the university or institution where he thesis was submitted. This condition will only be applicable to candidates of countries that have different qualification grades.

The Thesis, to be eligible for nomination, must be available in the Euron Thesis repository.

#### Evaluation criteria

The criteria to be followed to evaluate the works presented will be based both, on the thesis quality itself, and also on the posterior results of any activity associated with the thesis work, such as: papers, articles, research projects etc.

## **Candidatures presentation**

The candidates must send their applications to the AdCom (EURON Advisor Committee), to the Education and Training Headquarters, from 1<sup>rst</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2007.

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The application will include:

1. A copy of the Ph.D Thesis in pdf format
2. A certificate issued by the University where it has been defended, containing the attained score and presentation data
3. A C.V.
4. An abstract in English of the Thesis, 2 pages long, with clear indication of the main contributions
5. Any other information that the candidate considers of interest

*Note:* All the documentation will be presented in electronic format, in a specific ftp site in a compressed zip/rar file. The future applicants should send a message to Manel Frigola (to the address above) informing about their intention to apply and asking him for the ftp address, as well as the login and password to upload the documentation, or any question that can arise.

## **Review procedure**

A Jury consisting of seven members, nominated by the Euron Advisor Committee, all of them doctors will evaluate the candidatures.

In the case of very specialised works the jury can ask for the assistance of specialists in the field. Also, some assistance will be recommended, in the case that a great number of proposals has to be considered.

The Jury will discuss the proposals based on the collected information: the documentation presented, reviews, and scientific and technical production. After their deliberation they will make the final decision including a justification.

## **The Award**

The award is endowed with 2.500 Euros. The concession of this award is compatible with any other award or special mention obtained by the candidates at their respective universities. The winner will be invited to publish the thesis/work as part of the STAR series, provided it is written or translated into English.

The award will be presented in the 2008 EURON annual meeting.