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THE AUGUSTIN-PYRAMUS DE CANDOLLE 2012 PRIZE

The "Société de Physique et d'Histoire naturelle" of Geneva (SPHN) is pleased to announce the award in 2012 of the Botany Prize instituted by A.-P. de Candolle in 1841, which recognizes the author or co-authors of the best monograph of a genus or family of plants. The Prize is intended preferably to scientists early in their career. Monographs will be considered if unpublished, or published after December 31st 2007.

The monograph should be a complete coverage of the group considered and include its arrangement in a system of hierarchical classification. It should contain descriptions of external morphological characters and internal characters - anatomical, caryological, physiological, genetic and molecular - as far as they can be used to distinguish sub-groups. A complete bibliography, critical synonymy, and identification keys are requested. The work should comply with the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature. Partial treatments, i.e. a monograph of a sub-family, tribe, sub-genus or section, would be acceptable provided that the group is clearly defined with respect to its neighbours.

The Prize is open to authors of any nationality or country. The text may be written in Latin, French, German, English, Italian, Spanish or Portuguese. A summary, restricted to a maximum of 4000 words, must be provided in French or English. Two copies of the manuscript, along with author's curriculum vitae and summary, must reach the following address before February 29th 2012:

Augustin-Pyramus de Candolle Prize
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The Prize is endowed with an amount of CHF 5'000. If the submitted monographs are judged of insufficient level or do not fulfil the criteria of this notice, the reward may be reduced, or not awarded. The Prize will be awarded in October-November 2012. Rights on the selected monograph remain the property of the author. Copies of the manuscript will not be returned to their authors. For any further information, please contact: prix-candolle.cjb@ville-ge.ch

The President of the SPHN