Call for entries for the Research Award Eastern Europe 2023

Strengthening reporting on Eastern Europe - That is the idea behind the Research Award Eastern Europe. The prize will be awarded for the tenth time in 2023. It enables outstanding journalists to research and produce time-consuming and travel-intensive print reports for German-language media. Each year, one or two extensive reports are funded with a total of up to 7,000 euros.

Target group

The call for entries is aimed at qualified print journalists, especially transnational teams, who want to publish articles in German-language media. Teams of print and photo journalists can also apply.

Research project

Funding is available for research on social reports from the countries of Central, Southeastern and Eastern Europe which

- focus on everyday life and the people,
- the handling of social upheavals, or the living conditions of
- or show the living conditions of marginalized groups.

An unbiased, cliché-conscious view of the topics and the search for new, surprising perspectives should already be evident in the research project.

Important criteria for the award of the scholarship are

- Originality: Is the research topic new and not yet taken up by the media? Or is a well-known topic being told from a new angle or perspective?
- Relevance: Is the topic relevant to the current social and political debate?
- Quality: Has the applicant already shown that he/she is capable of writing outstanding reportage?
- Appropriateness: Does the topic justify the planned research effort and the planned research effort justify the estimated costs?

Research projects can be submitted in or about people from the following countries: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Montenegro, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Ukraine.

Funding

A total of up to 7,000 euros in prize money is available. This is intended to enable the research and production of a larger social reportage (such as page 3, magazine or similar) in a German-language print medium. The amount of the grant paid out is based on the cost plan submitted and deemed appropriate. In addition to possible travel or material costs, this should expressly include appropriate remuneration for the work of the applicant(s). The

award winners agree to the free use of the funded reportage within the framework of the public relations work of Hope for Eastern Europe, Renovabis and n-ost. The awardee(s) must ensure that the sponsorship by the Research Award Eastern Europe is indicated in every publication.

Selection procedure

A jury of renowned journalists and representatives of the awarding institutions will decide on the awarding of the scholarship in June 2023.

Legal recourse is excluded.

Your application

Please apply by April 14, 2023 with the following documents:

- Exposé (1-2 pages),
- research and cost plan in the form,
- curriculum vitae in table form,
- a maximum of three already published work samples

Please send these documents only digitally (maximum 8 MB)

to the following e-mail address: info@recherchepreis-osteuropa.de

We will be happy to answer your questions:

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