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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

please find attached the announcement for the Cultura Prize 2014 of the Alfred Töpfer foundation. The Prize is endowed with 25,000 €. We would be very grateful if you proposed suitable candidates for the award.

Kind regards

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Professor Dr. Christian Ammer Chairman of the Prize Committee

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Nominations Now welcome

CULTURA PRIZE 2014

European Award for Sustainable Land Use

From the Alfred Toepfer Stiftung F.V.S., Hamburg / Germany

The Alfred Toepfer Stiftung F.V.S., Hamburg, now invites nominations for the CULTURA Prize 2014. The Prize, founded in 2007, aims at recognizing and honouring innovative and exemplary scientific achievements in **sustainable land use** in Europe, particularly findings in agricultural sciences, forest sciences, nature conservation and related fields like hydrology. The prize lays particular emphasis on outstanding scientific achievements which already had or may have a significant impact on land-use systems resulting in improved approaches of sustainable land use. The committee is especially looking for candidates that outline how scientific achievements have resulted in or may be transferred to new concepts of sustainable land-use management and thus meet possible requirements of the future.

In addition to this general aim, the prize intends to raise public awareness for the scientific and applied achievements and to foster insight into the interdependency of the scientific progress, ongoing innovation processes and rural development.

The award is accompanied by a certificate and prize money amounting to 25,000 €. The prize money is not restricted and is intended to promote the innovative research of the successful nominee.

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Suitable candidates from any European country must be nominated by the dean of their faculty or

college or by the director of their research institution. There is no age limit, but in the selection process

preference is given to younger researchers. The research which the nomination is based on must have

been carried out at a European institution and should not date back for more than five years.

Nominations should not exceed 10 pages and must include the following documentation:

Personal data

Name, title, position

Address, phone, e-mail

Curriculum Vitae

3. A short comprehensible summary of the achievements (1 page)

4. A precise description of the scientific achievements and a short reflection on how these resulted

in new ideas for sustainable land-use and thus have affected or may affect society.

5. Details of the candidate's scientific credentials and a list of selected relevant publications,

presentations, previously received awards, honorary work in scientific organizations and

societies.

All documents should be submitted online by January 19, 2014 to the Chairman of the Prize

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An independent Prize Committee will select the prize-winner. The successful nominee will be notified by

March 2014. The Prize will be awarded on June 17th 2014 at a ceremony in the University of Göttingen.

Göttingen, November 28th 2013.

Professor Dr. Christian Ammer

Chairman of the Prize Committee

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