



PRESS RELEASE

Entry open for sixth edition of the SENER Foundation Best Doctoral Thesis Award

Madrid (Spain), October 31, 2017 - The SENER Foundation, part of the engineering and technology group <u>SENER</u>, has sent out the call for entrants to the <u>sixth edition</u> of the SENER Foundation Best Doctoral Thesis Award.

Entry is open to anyone who has obtained a doctorate from a university this calendar year 2017, in any of the following scientific and technological areas: <u>Aerospace</u>, <u>Infrastructures and Transport</u>, <u>Power, Oil & Gas</u>, or <u>Marine</u>. These awards seek to stimulate research at the very highest level, and the areas mentioned are the main technological and scientific areas in which SENER is active.

Candidates must send their entry in PDF format to the SENER Foundation (address: C/Severo Ochoa 4 (PTM) Tres Cantos - 28760 Madrid, Spain), and have until 1.00 pm on December 22, 2017 to do so.

As in previous editions, the SENER Foundation shall bestow a single award with prize money of $\leq 12,000$ for the author of the winning thesis and another $\leq 3,000$ for the supervisor(s) of the study (if there is more than one supervisor, this prize money is shared). The panel of judges' decision will be published during the first quarter of 2018 and the prize will be presented in April that year.

The panel of judges will comprise supervisors of winning theses from previous editions (provided they are not connected to entries in the present edition), two doctors from SENER's technical corps with experience in research work, doctorate-holding trustees of the SENER Foundation, and the Director and Secretary of the Foundation.

Assessment criteria will include, first of all, the research's relevance and potential for application in the aforementioned scientific and technological areas; secondly, the quality of the thesis, and its impact in scientific dissemination channels (journals, patents, etc.), prizes or other accolades; and finally, clarity of presentation.

The <u>full rules</u> for the Best Doctoral Thesis Award are available on the SENER Foundation's website.

Winners of 2016 SENER Foundation Best Doctoral Thesis Award video.

About the SENER Foundation

The SENER Foundation was created in May of 2002 by the SENER Engineering Group and the Sendagorta family, in order to sponsor initiatives and joint activities. For the last 15 years the SENER Foundation has contributed to serving the community through activities focused on education and training, and in this way it has helped develop the socially responsible nature of the company's professional activities. The objectives of the SENER Foundation are: to promote the spirit of the founders of SENER, which is characterised by the search for scientific and technological knowledge; to apply this knowledge to engineering projects in order to achieve

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the best solutions adapted to the needs of our times and surroundings; to support the work and/or training of individuals or groups that show excellence in their abilities and initiative, scientific or technological capabilities, and ethical responsibility; and to promote the moral and material advancement of society through programmes and projects focused on science and technology.

About SENER

SENER is a private engineering and technology group founded in 1956. It seeks to offer its clients the most advanced technological solutions and enjoys international recognition, thanks to its independence and its commitment to innovation and quality. SENER has a workforce of close to 2,500 professionals at its facilities in Algeria, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, India, Mexico, Morocco, Poland, Portugal, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and the United States. The group's operating turnover exceeds €910 billion (2016 data).

SENER engages in the specific activities of Engineering and Construction. It also has industrial holdings in companies involved in Aeronautics, as well as in Energy and Environment. SENER's Engineering and Construction division has become one of the world's benchmark companies in the Aerospace, Infrastructure and Transport, Power, Oil & Gas, and Marine Engineering sectors.



In 2017, SENER celebrates <u>50 years in the Space</u> industry with more than 275 devices and systems for satellites and space vehicles to agencies in the USA (NASA), Europe (ESA), Japan (JAXA) and Russia (Roscosmos).

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