PRINCE BERNHARD SCHOLARSHIPS 2016

The Prince Bernhard Scholarships were established in 1991 by the Foundation "The Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Institute", on the occasion of the 80th birthday of the late Royal Highness Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands. The programme has been financially supported by the University of Utrecht.

It is hoped that in the future other Universities will join the initiative. >From 2012 onwards, CEDLA is in charge of the administration of the programme. The decision about the scholarships and the selection of the applications will be done by an interuniversitary Scientific Board, consisting of:

Prof. dr. Michiel Baud (CEDLA/University of Amsterdam), Chair

Prof. dr. Patricio Silva (Leiden University)

Dr. Gery Nijenhuis (Utrecht University)

Prof. dr. Kees Koonings (University of Amsterdam, Utrecht University)

Dr. Christien Klaufus (CEDLA/University of Amsterdam)

Each year two scholarships of 5,000 euros are awarded to promising young researchers from the Netherlands, Spain, Portugal, or Latin America.

The scholarships are meant to support innovative research carried out in the fields of economic, political, or cultural relations between the Netherlands/Europe and Latin America. At least one of the scholarships will be awarded to a research proposal in the field of sustainability.

The proposed sustainability research project should be related to social, legal, economic or environmental aspects of the following topics:

- Climate change
- Biological mechanisms and changes
- Energy for sustainable development
- Land use dynamics and land use planning
- Ecosystem services and biodiversity conservation

SELECTION

The selection of the scholarship winners will be decided upon by the Scientific Board. The research proposals will be evaluated on scientific relevance, its innovative aspects, the research method and planning and its feasibility. The winners of the scholarships will be notified before 15 December 2016. The scholarships will be officially awarded by Prince Bernard's grandson, Prince Carlos de Bourbon de Parme.

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CEREMONY

The ceremony will be attended by the Board of the Foundation, as well as by the members of the Scientific Committee, authorities of CEDLA, and the ambassadors of Spain, Portugal, and the Latin American countries. The winners of the Prince Bernhard Scholarships are expected to give a short presentation of their research project (in Spanish, or Portuguese) in the Spanish or Portuguese embassy in The Hague.