

Awards

Intergenerational Justice Award

The Foundation for the Rights of Future Generations (FRFG) offers an "Intergenerational Justice Award", valued at €10,000. It is financed by the “Stiftung Apfelbaum” and awarded every two years. The prize money can be divided up amongst winning entrants as the jury sees fit. The jury itself may not enter the competition, but it is open to everyone else, and team applications are also possible. The best articles are published in an anthology. The prize(s) are generally awarded at an awards ceremony during a congress in June/July of the closing year.

Aim of the competition

Our society needs a constructive discussion on sustainable politics that also takes intergenerational justice into account. By announcing this prize, the Foundation for the Rights of Future Generations aims to promote this discussion by providing a scientific base for it. It should also create new perspectives in the field of intergenerational justice for the consideration of today’s decision makers, by motivating young scholars, students and anyone else who is interested to get involved with scientific or more non-academic questions in the field of intergenerational justice.

Current contest:

7th Intergenerational Justice Award 2013/2014

Past contests:

6th Intergenerational Justice Award 2011/2012

5th Intergenerational Justice Award 2009/2010

4th Intergenerational Justice Award 2007/2008

Demography Prize for Young Researchers

Since 2007, the Institut für demografische Zukunftsfähigkeit (Institute for a Better Demographic Future) has awarded the Demography Prize for Young Researchers valued at €10,000 €. This award is financed by the Stiftung Apfelbaum - Lernprojekt für Ko-Evolution und Integration (Appletree Foundation - A Learning Project for Co-evolution and Integration). The prize is now awarded by the FRFG. In our changing demographic circumstances the Demographic prize for Young Researchers is an important contribution to improving public consciousness about demographic themes. The competition, the announcement of the winners, and the eventual publication of the winning entries will all serve to expose people to themes that are important to the Foundation for the Rights of Future Generations (FRFG).

The prize will encourage discussions about demographic change, enable these discussions to be based upon proper scientific understanding, and highlight different ways today's decision-makers could deal with demographic issues. In short, the FRFG aims to increase the number of dissertations and theses written on this subject by raising awareness of the theme at an early point in the life of young researchers; by writing a thesis on the subject today, the FRFG hopes that a lifelong interest in the topic will be cultivated with respect to the participating young researchers.

Current contest:

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Past contests:

Demography Prize 2012/2013

Demography Prize 2010/2011

Demography Prize 2008/2009

Demography Prize 2006/2007

Legislative Prize

The Legislative Prize will be awarded in 2013 for the first time and henceforth every year in which a national election is held in Germany. It will be an unremunerated award which challenges participants to propose a law which solves a problem or injustice that affects future generations and/or to protect future generations from such problems and injustices in the future. Imaginable entries could focus on, for instance, the debt-brake, the European Stability Mechanism, the lowering of the voting age, the possibility of a capital levy for future generations, etc. Thus the legislative initiative should be mainly based on the principle generational justice. The acting recipients of the Legislative Prize should be politicians who are either members of a government (such as the German Federal Government), hold seats in a parliament (e.g. German Federal Parliament or the European Parliament), or who are current office-holders in the political sphere (e.g. General Secretary, Executive Board Member). FRFG welcomes further suggestions for possible candidates.