



SCHWEIGHOFER PRIZE
2011

**Innovators wanted: Schweighofer Prize starts 5th Call for Proposals
€ 300,000 for Innovations in Favour of the European Forest Based Sector**

Up from November 1, 2010 the Austrian Schweighofer family invites innovative people to submit proposals for Schweighofer Prize 2011. The prestigious Schweighofer Prize is endowed with € 300,000.

The Schweighofer Prize was funded in 2002 by the Austrian Schweighofer family who owns one of the leading woodworking companies in Europe.

The Schweighofer Prize is endowed with € 300,000. It addresses visionary people with spirit of research who want to present their innovative ideas for a sustainable and competitive Forest Based Sector in Europe. The scope of topics covers the whole Forest-Wood-Chain, including cooperation, services and training. Only pulp and paper issues are excluded.

The jury of the Schweighofer Prize puts specific emphasis on the European dimension of the candidate's achievements and focuses on applied research and development projects. An interdisciplinary co-operation between science and industry is also advantageous.

The call for submissions is open from November 1, 2010 to February 2, 2011.
Application forms are available at www.schweighofer-prize.org

The prize money is divided between one Main Prize and several Innovation Prizes.
The Main Prize pays tribute to people or organisations that play an important role in the European Forest Based Sector. Their outstanding achievements have already set milestones and are an example for pioneering spirit and sense for future challenges.
The Innovation Prizes serve as an impetus for innovative projects in an early stage of implementation.

The prize winners will be awarded in June 16, 2011 in Vienna/Austria.
The event will especially refer to the International Year of Forests 2011.

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