



LLLAwards 2017
Education in a Digital World
Ensuring Universality, Quality and Access

Application Guidelines

Overview. The LLL Awards aim to celebrate outstanding initiatives in favour of pushing Lifelong Learning policy forward, building inclusive societies and making lifelong learning a reality for all. The Awards wish to celebrate educational practices from all over Europe that demonstrate the use of creative and inclusive learning methods with outstanding results and the potential to be replicated and/or of inspiring others. The Award is not limited to a particular sector, since the Platform believes lifelong learning covers education and training across all ages and in all areas of life be it formal, non-formal or informal and shall enable citizens' emancipation, personal development and well-being and their full participation in society, in its civic, social and economic dimensions.

LLLAwards2017: Education in the Digital World. The focus of the 2017 LLL Awards edition is education in the digital era tackling different aspects on how this technological development is affecting and transforming educational practices. The LLL Platform will reward three outstanding initiatives or projects under the following categories:

1. Education in the Digital World and Democracy

This category will reward initiatives that enhance critical thinking when using digital tools; that raise awareness of civic rights within the digital world; that promote active participation in a digital era democracy.

Presenting Your Initiative

In order to maximise your chances please read the Application Guidelines before filling in the Application Form.

1. Read the following Guidelines;
2. Complete the **Application Form and upload on our website.**
3. Make sure you receive a **confirmation email**;
4. **Deadline to apply is 1 July 2017, midnight CET**;
5. **Wait for our answer.** We will get back to you regarding logos and other material we might need.
6. **Good luck!**

2. Education in the Digital World and Social Inclusion

This category will reward initiatives that tackle the issue of access to and inclusion in digital learning. This award will demonstrate the need to push forward the digital agenda in a way that allows all learners to benefit from a digital education, namely learners from a disadvantaged background but also adults having left school.

3. Education in the Digital World and Innovative Pedagogy

This category will reward initiatives using digital tools in learning/teaching in an innovative manner, or participating in transforming teaching and learning methods through technology.

ABOUT

In 2016, the Lifelong Learning Platform launched a new **Lifelong Learning Award** to celebrate creative and inclusive practices during its Lifelong Learning Week. The aim of the Award is to **give visibility to innovative practices** taking place all over Europe in order to attract public attention on lifelong learning as well as to **inspire new practices and policies**. The **Award ceremony** takes place during the opening reception of the **LLLWeek**.

- **What is lifelong learning?**

The Award celebrates educational practices from all over Europe that can demonstrate the use of creative and inclusive learning methods with outstanding results and the potential to be replicated and/or of inspiring others.

The LLLPlatform understands education as a means to enable citizens' emancipation as a framework for personal development and well-being and citizens' full participation in society in its civic, social and economic dimensions. Initiatives should therefore encourage a **self-reflexive process** as they will have to evaluate their own practices as regards the **key principles** of the Lifelong Learning Platform: **a holistic, sustainable, cross-sectoral and learner-centred approach with an emphasis on quality, open and inclusive education**.

- **What kind of initiatives?**

The criteria for the initiative to be eligible are:

1. The initiative takes place in the field of Education and Training;
2. The initiative applies methods from formal, non-formal and/or informal education or takes place in a formal, non-formal and/or informal educational environment;
3. The initiative should target any age group and may target several age groups;
4. The initiative may target all areas of life and combine them;
5. The initiative is based on a cross-sectoral cooperation (involving civil society organisation, schools, trade unions, companies, universities...)

- **Added value of the LLL Awards**

Applicants, from the grassroots level (e.g. learners, teachers, educational institutions) will get more attention and will serve as best practice examples for other individuals and organisations by presenting them in online and printed media that are disseminated in the education sector. Moreover, an award can be an **opportunity to create new partnerships** as it can raise the visibility of these partners (e.g. by appearing in publications with their logos).

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants will have to fill in an application form where they will be asked to demonstrate how they respond to a set of quality criteria.

- Applicants shall fill in the Application Form available to [download on the LLLPlatform website](#)
- Applicants shall fill in the Application Form in **English**.
- **Deadline to submit is 1 July 2017**, midnight CET.
- Applicants shall [upload their Application Form on the LLLPlatform website](#)
- Applicants will receive a **confirmation email**. This confirmation guarantees their participation in the competition.
- Applicants will be contacted by the LLLPlatform Secretariat if the latter requires extra information.

By submitting their applications, all participants in the competition agree that the LLLPlatform acquires unlimited right to use all texts and materials on www.lllplatform.eu, in publications and other printed and digital products that promote the work of LLL-P and the Lifelong Learning Award. All photos and videos taken at the award ceremony fully belong to the LLLPlatform.

TIMELINE

! Only applications submitted before 1 July 2017 will be taken into consideration!

- **Selection process**

Applicants will be selected by the Jury over the summer (July-August 2017).

Winners will receive minimum one month notice to prepare their participation in the Award Ceremony in November 2017 in Brussels.

- **Nomination process**

Nominations will be made public on at the beginning of October 2017, by individual email with a deadline to accept the nomination. After reception of acceptance, the nominations will be publically announced on the LLLPlatform's website, its members' websites, on social media and in a press release.

- **The Ceremony**

The Award will be given during a **Ceremony/Reception in the frame of the LLLWeek2017** in the European Parliament.

The location of the Ceremony has yet to be confirmed.

The Ceremony will figure high-level speakers.

Prizes have yet to be confirmed. Applicants will be notified as soon as possible.

CONTACT

To send in your application: www.lllplatform.eu/what-we-do/lll-awards/lllawards2017/

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Thank you for your Submission and Good Luck!