Call for Participation in the UDUAL’s Award: Science and Innovation in the Fight against COVID-19

The Unión de Universidades de América Latina y el Caribe (UDUAL) has granted two important awards: the Carlos Martínez Durán Prize and the Andrés Bello Prize. This time, we have decided to call for an award in recognition of the Higher Education Institutions that have contributed to face this critical social and health situation, in consideration for the significant mobilization of the scientific and innovative potential of our Latin American and the Caribbean region in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

UDUAL’ Science and Innovation Award in the Fight Against COVID-19 is constituted by the following categories:

- Institutional scientific contribution in the process of creating vaccines in the Latin American and Caribbean region.
- Innovations in medical treatment and equipment to care patients with COVID-19.
- University-society linkage in the fight against the pandemic: contributions in the epidemiological study, intersectorial approach and community care.

RULES

The UDUAL calls affiliated HEIs to participate in the Science and Innovation Award in the Fight against COVID-19.

The Prize will be awarded only once and will consist on a diploma and an economic recognition of 1,500 dollars for each project submitted by the participating institutions that is the winner.

The jury will be composed of distinguished Latin American and Caribbean scholars, appointed by the UDUAL’s General Secretariat, with the approval of the President and the ratification of the Executive Council.

The UDUAL’s General Secretariat will be in charge of publishing the call, receiving nominations, sending them to the jury, publishing the names of the winners, organizing the award ceremony, with the approval of the UDUAL’s President and the knowledge of the Executive Council.

The jury's decision will be final.

Cases not foreseen will be resolved by the jury.

The awards will be presented during the XIII International Congress on Higher Education to be held in Havana from February 7 to 11, 2022.

REQUIREMENTS
1. HEIs affiliated to the UDUAL may submit reasoned nominations for the award, through their rector. The proposed project must have been carried out by personnel assigned to an university affiliated to the UDUAL.

2. Each proposal must include the following information in PDF files:

   - Proposing institution
   - Name of the rector or authority submitting the nomination
   - Name(s) of the candidate(s) for the award
   - Position or relationship with the nominating institution.

   Attached documents:

   1) Written statement describing the characteristics of the project, as well as its relevant contributions, signed by the rector.

   2) Additional documents that provide relevant information in support of the candidacy, as the case may be.

3. Proposals should be sent to premios@udual.org.

4. The deadline for submission of proposals will be December 15, 2021.

5. The jury's decision will be notified by writing to the winner on January 7, 2022 and will be made public through the UDUAL’s media.