

## ***Students Photonics Innovation Award 2014***

SECPHO established photonics innovation award in order to motivate students that have an innovative idea in field of photonics application that could be turned into real product/ service and business in future.

### **Rules:**

1. The aim of the award is to recognize and reward an innovative, photonics related application idea developed by university students.
  - b) A Powerpoint presentation of 10 minutes duration explaining the criteria above performed during the awards ceremony;
2. A prize will normally be awarded annually for any optics and photonics related application, provided that work of adequate quality is submitted. The award ceremony will be held on **28<sup>th</sup> of May, 2014**.
3. Conditions for eligibility:
  - a) The idea has a potential for application in industry;
  - b) The idea is innovative;
  - c) Work is performed by a student/ group of students studying in Spanish university;
  - d) Work has not been awarded before by another prize committee;
  - e) Work submitted is written in English or Spanish.
4. Applicants must submit the following documents which serve as criteria by which it will be evaluated:
  - a) A description of an innovative photonics business opportunity (a business story), not exceeding 4 A4 pages (12 point font) including:
    - Description of innovative product/ service;
    - Market analysis;
    - Possible steps in creating a startup, potential impact to industry;
5. The Student Innovation Award Committee will consist of business oriented representatives from photonics industry.
6. A call for applications will be sent by email and announced on SECPHO website.
7. The Committee will review applications, attend presentations and evaluate material. Each member of the Committee will rank each application from 1 to 5 and a winner will be determined by the highest sum of points.
8. The award will consist of a certificate and prize of 300€.
9. The time frame of the award procedure:
  - a) In April a call for applications will be announced;
  - b) The call will be open until **May 19<sup>th</sup>** (a business story has to be sent to [info@secpho.org](mailto:info@secpho.org) by then);
  - c) After the closing date, applications will be sent to the Committee;
  - d) The final decision will be made during the awards ceremony (**28<sup>th</sup> of May, 2014**).