



**International Prize
EDITION 2019**

REGULATIONS

The International Prize "Woman of the Year" is promoted by the Regional Council of the Aosta Valley, in cooperation with the Soroptimist International Club Valle d'Aosta and with the media partner "Donna Moderna".

MAIN THEME

Resilient Women

Being resilient implies a positive approach, a capacity to move forward, despite the crises, allowing the construction, or rather the reconstruction, of a new path in life.

OBJECTIVES

- acknowledge and enhance the role played by women in society, in culture, in the working world, in politics, in communication, in science, in fine arts and in the show business;
- reward solidarity in business among women;
- promote women's education for them to achieve top level jobs;
- create awareness among the international community for the achievement of democracy and development;
- disseminate a culture of peace and solidarity based on safeguarding human rights, with special attention paid to less privileged countries.

CANDIDATES

Women from all over the world

- Who are engaged in the defence of Human Rights through actions for the safeguard of life, of freedom, of personal safety and equality before the law;
- Who, through their work have reached important objectives, contributed to important innovations and asserted their female identity with their great professional skills;
- Who have contributed to freedom of movement and migration, to the attainment of asylum, nationality, ownership, freedom of thought, of conscience, of religion, of association, social security, good and fair work conditions, trade union freedom and to an adequate life style and education;
- Who have contributed to the development of international cooperation through a culture of "solidarity in business" and committed themselves against exploitation and poverty and who are in favour of a greater sustainability of Less Developed Countries.
- Who have witnessed the affirmation of the solidarity rights of peoples, such as the right to self-determination, peace, development, ecological balance, control of national resources, environmental protection, as well as new rights in the field of genetic manipulation, bioethics and new communication technologies



FINALISTS SELECTIONS

The Prize Jury panel, appointed and chaired by the president of the Regional Council of the Aosta Valley, composed of two women Regional Councillors, a representative of the Soroptimist International Club Valle d'Aosta, a representative of "Donna Moderna" media partner, will examine all the applications and will nominate three finalists. During the final ceremony the Jury will award, to one of these three finalists, the International Prize "Woman of the Year".

The public can vote on the three finalists via the internet at the following address

<http://www.consiglio.vda.it/app/donnadellanno>

The finalist who gets the most votes from the public receives a "Popularity" acknowledgement.

If she turns out to be the winner, the "Popularity" acknowledgement will be assigned to the second finalist most voted by the public.

AWARDS

The International Prize "Woman of the Year" consists of a money prize of **20,000** (twenty thousand) Euros.

The "Popularity" acknowledgement assigned thanks to the votes from the public is worth **15,000** (fifteen thousand) Euros.

The third finalist will receive **10,000** (ten thousand) Euros.

One of the candidates is going to receive the sum of **3,000** (three thousand) Euros from the Soroptimist International Club Valle d'Aosta for humanitarian reasons, in line with the aims and ethic of the Club itself.

All the money will have to be spent on the activities which have led the finalists to be nominated for the International Prize "Woman of the Year".

Upon request of the Administration, not later than the next Prize edition, the winners shall present receipts documenting that the money has actually been spent on the activities for which the candidates were chosen as finalists, sending a write report with evidences of expenditure, pictures and/or videos showing the project progressions.



APPLICATIONS

Applications can be presented by:

- Members of all Regional, National and International Legislative Assemblies
- National and International Soroptimist Clubs
- National and International Press Associations
- National and International Women's Associations
- NGOs, Non-Profit Institutions and other National and International Associations

Spontaneous applications are not accepted.

We do not accept applications for women who have received the "Woman of the Year" Prize in a past edition.

We accept applications for women who have received other awards, and/or prize money.

The candidates have to commit to take part at the final ceremony and to the activities organized by the Regional Council of the Aosta Valley during the three days before the Award Ceremony. Such attendance is an essential condition for the prize attribution.

In the event of absence, the prize will not be given. In any case, the Prize Jury panel reserves the right to review any serious and justified hindrance.

The application form can be downloaded from our website:

<http://www.consiglio.vda.it/app/donnadellanno>

Application forms and attachments must reach us by **Friday 1st March 2019** :

by REGISTERED MAIL to the following address:

Premio internazionale "La Donna dell'Anno"
Consiglio Regionale della Valle d'Aosta
Piazza Deffeyes, 1
11100 Aosta – Italia

or by CERTIFIED ELECTRONIC MAIL (PEC) to the following address:

consiglio.regione.vda@cert.legalmail.it

or by FAX n. (+39) 0165 526257

AWARD CEREMONY

The International "Woman of the Year" Award ceremony will be held in **Aosta (Aosta Valley, Italy) Friday 31st May 2019**.