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Article 1

(The Award)

- 1 – The Ana Maria Vieira de Almeida award (Award) is launched under a protocol executed between Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian (hereinafter, “FCG”) and Fundação Vasco Vieira de Almeida (hereinafter, “FVVA”) and will distinguish research papers on innovative models for early childhood education, namely kindergarten, pre-school, and primary school.
- 2 - The Award is twenty thousand Euros (EUR 20,000).
- 3 – The award will be publicized in Portugal.

Article 2

(Award)

- 1 – The Award is awarded every two years to the best paper submitted in each edition. College graduates, persons with Masters’ degrees or PhDs or post-PhD researchers may apply.
- 2 – The award shall be publicized in due time in the media and the FCG and FVVA websites.

Article 3

(Applicants and accepted papers)

- 1 – Only one paper shall be accepted per applicant, but co-authored papers can be submitted (no more than two co-authors).
- 2 – Papers can be submitted in Portuguese, French and English.

3 – Papers submitted must be unpublished originals, not submitted in any other college competition or otherwise.

4 – Adaptations of masters’ dissertations or PhD theses will be accepted provided that they are unpublished at the time of the Award. Papers included in a repository shall not be deemed as published works for the purposes of this Award.

Article 4

(Paper submission)

1 – Applicants shall submit their papers online by 9 December 2022, by completing the form available at www.fundacaovva.org.

2 – The paper must include the name of the author(s) on the cover sheet at the time of submission.

3 – The paper must be written in font “Calibri” 11 with 1.5 lines line spacing. Footnotes must have the same font (size 10) and line spacing. The paper must further include a maximum 250 words’ summary at the beginning.

4 – As a general guideline, papers must have the following structure: summary, table of contents, introduction, body, conclusion, and literature.

Article 5

(Jury)

1 – The Jury shall be made up of five members jointly appointed by FCG and FVVA.

2 - The Jury shall be alternately chaired by a member appointed by each Party and must include at least two reputable education experts. The Chairperson of the Jury for the 1st edition of the award shall be appointed by FVVA.

3 – The Jury’s decision is final, and their deliberations cannot be challenged or appealed.

Article 6

(Assessment and grades)

- 1 – The Jury shall consider the scientific quality, the discourse and ideas’ consistency, the research effort shown and the presentation of the papers to grant the Award.
- 2 – The papers shall not be graded, only the highest-scoring paper shall be selected and, if applicable, any papers meriting a special mention.

Article 7

(Acceptance of and deliberation on the papers)

- 1 – The Jury shall exclude any papers:
 - (a) Untimely submitted;
 - (b) Addressing any topic other than the topic proposed;
 - (c) Failing to fulfill the requirements established in this Regulation;
 - (d) Whose application or applicant fail to fulfil the formalities or requirements established in this Regulation.
- 2 – Plagiarism carries the cancellation of the application.
- 3 – The Jury shall deliberate on the winning papers by 28 February 2022.
- 4 – The Jury may deliberate not to grant the Award.

Article 8

(Publication and delivery of the Award)

- 1 – The Jury shall publish their decision regarding the winning papers by Mid-March2022 and notify the winning applicant(s) personally. Other applicants shall be notified of the decision in writing.
- 2 – The Award shall be delivered by the end of March 2022, in a ceremony at FCG’s headquarters.

Article 9

(Publication of and access to the papers)

- 1 – The author(s) of the winning papers hereby authorize such papers to be published on FCG's and FVVA's websites.
- 2 – The author(s) of the winning papers hereby authorize FCG and FVVA to circulate the papers to persons, companies, or public entities, as well as to the media.
- 3 – The author(s) of the winning papers shall cooperate with FCG and FVVA as required for the purposes of the preceding paragraphs.

Article 10

(Doubts and Gaps)

- 1 – The applicants may request the FVVA to provide any clarifications regarding these rules by sending an email to prémio@fundacaovva.org.
- 2 – The FVVA shall further resolve any doubts and close any gaps on this Regulation on their own initiative.