

CIAM Scholarship Report 2015

Election of the Winner 2015

By November 15, 2014, four candidates sent in their applications for the fifth 2000 € CIAM Scholarship.

- Bernhard Flixeder (AUT, born 1997), F3B Junior World Champion 2013
- Ivailo Vencislavov Zahariev (BUL, born 1996) with top-places in F2D competitions
- Konrad Zurowski (POL, born 1996), F1E Junior World Champion 2013
- Miodrag V. Cipic (SRB, born 1995) winner S5B (Scale altitude) in World, European and National Championships as a Junior

To evaluate the winner, the new ranking system had been used for the second time. Every expert provides a ranking from one to four, and the applicant wins with the lowest sum of points.

	Experts							
Applicants	AUS	FRA	GBR	GER	SUI	SWE	USA	Sum
AUT Bernhard Flixeder	4	2	1	1	1	4	2	15
BUL Ivailo Zahariev	1	4	3	3	2	3	4	20
POL Konrad Zurowski	2	1	4	2	4	2	1	16
SRB Miodrag Cipic	3	3	2	4	3	1	3	19

So, Bernhard Flixeder got the best ranking by the experts. The CIAM Bureau acknowledged the result and recommended that the Plenary should award the 2015 CIAM Scholarship to him. Plenary decision was unanimously in favour.

At the Plenary Meeting some remarks had been brought forward:

1. The CIAM Scholarship application form asks for a Personal Statement – „one page to be written in the Nominee’s own hand“. The Experts are unsure how to rate if that statement is more than two pages.
2. The Plenary voted in 2009 on a rule which contains the demand
“ii) Monies shall not be sent to the sponsored students, the parents or guardians”
 That rule could not be observed several times as
 - the related NAC didn’t know how to buy the computers or books for the student
 - the student already bought the stuff he needed
3. Some applications were made when the nominee is quite young (15 or 16 years). Experts are in doubt whether a schoolboy or a schoolgirl needs our scholarship and rate in favour of older candidates. In such cases the NAC related should wisely repeat the application. Already scholarships went to winners who applied for the second or even the third time.

Within FAI, the CIAM Scholarship is unique and a kind of prestige project. It is worth every effort to be continued.

Gerhard Wöbbeking, CIAM S/C Education Chairman



Aeromodelling

Scholarship Diploma



Spirit of Flight

awarded in 2015
to

Bernhard Flixeder
Austria

FAI Aeromodelling Commission
President