

# Talente

## Mentors' bulletin

### Closing date for submission: 1 October

**Talente** is a high profile competition for young craftspeople, applied artists, makers, designers and inventor-technicians from all over the world. The age limit is set at 33 years of age.

The aim of **Talente** is to promote the idea of skills in the designing and technical trades as well as in the applied arts. **Talente** takes place as a special exhibition on one of the major trade fairs in Munich/ Germany in March each year, the International Trade Fair for the Skilled Trades. It is publicly funded, shipment and exhibition is free of charge, a high quality catalogue appears on the opening day of the fair, featuring all participants of the year.

Contributions shown at Talente have a high standard. They range from undergraduate to masters level. However, we did show outstanding works from vocational high schools and apprentices too.

**Talente** has been in existence since 1980, and it relies on a network of mentors all over the world. To ensure density and actuality of the network, we keep addressing senior officials in crafts or design organisations, or professors in art academies, in universities and research institutions with the request to help us in our aim.

In the field of technology, we address master technicians and training officers who instruct technical apprentices in research institutions, universities and polytechnic universities.

Mentors should be willing to extend the TALENTE network and collaborate with as many educational institutions in their country as possible.

What are you expected to do as a mentor?

- We ask you to distribute the call for applications we send out from May to July each year, and to make use of all media at your disposal,
- to address possible candidates personally,
- to put forward your candidates by eMail in September,
- and to help your candidates with the applications, to collect and send them to us by 1 October each year (please send CD-Roms as *printed matter only* due to customs).
- By the end of November/ early December we will inform you on the outcome of the jury meetings. You will help us by informing the selected candidates from your end. Please assist them to submit all owing data on time.
- You will help us by redistributing portfolios of the declined candidates and inform them from your end in November/December.

- Please help the selected participants to organise a collective shipment. If there are more than one mentors in your country, we will ask you to contact the others and combine shipments. We can only pay for one collective shipment. From us, you will receive an eMail containing a list of exhibits selected for the exhibition and transportation labels. Please instruct the forwarding agent you chose to make the invoice payable by:

**Verein zur Förderung des Handwerks  
Willy-Brandt-Allee 1 – 81829 München – Germany**

However, for verification, the envelope containing the invoice must be sent to:

**Abteilung Messen und Ausstellungen  
Handwerkskammer für München und Oberbayern  
Max-Joseph-Str. 4 – 80333 München – Germany**

- Please make sure that participants pack their exhibits professionally and attach photographs and insurance lists (see conditions attached).
- You will act as contact person for the young participants in all matters of the organisation.
- You will promote TALENTE in your country using your network and media resources. You will try to expand the TALENTE network by cooperating with institutions in your country similar to yours. All that with the end to enable as much qualified candidates to apply as possible.

In turn, we will keep you informed during all stages of organisation. We will supply information on the exhibition itself and the outcome of the international jury during the exhibition, and we will send you catalogues. If you have any questions, please contact:

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