

## **SADER publishes a summon for the 2019 National Price of Plant Health**

This allow to acknowledge the work and dedication of professionals in the scientific research area and the satisfactory results obtained to improve the phytosanitary status of the country.



The Secretariat of Agriculture and Rural Development (SADER) published the summon for the 2019 National Price of Plant Health, which will be granted to professionals who have made a contribution for the preservation, control and eradication of plant pests in Mexico, and who have at least 25 years of experience in phytosanitary work.

The summon was published in the Federal Official Gazette with the purpose of inviting official and private institutions, as well as teachers and professional groups, to submit candidates to receive this acknowledgement.

All phytosanitary professionals of Mexican nationality, who shall be nominated by any institution related to agricultural activities, may be able to receive the award.

The prize consists in granting a medal, a diploma and an economic incentive, in two categories: Scientific Work and Phytosanitary Merit.

The Scientific Work category is aimed to phytosanitary professionals, who have reached satisfactory results for the improvement of the phytosanitary status of the country regions, due to their work and dedication into the scientific research area.

The Phytosanitary Merit category is aimed to professionals, who have succeeded in the improvement of the plant health of any producing region of the country; in training or education of technical phytosanitary staff under non-school based system; or organizing agricultural producers to attend sanitary problems in the regions.

Applicants shall submit their detailed curriculum vitae and a synthesis of their achievements. This information shall be classified in the following sections: prevention, control and eradication of plant pests and diseases in Mexico.

The proposal shall be addressed to the head of the General Directorate of the National Service for Agro-Alimentary Public Health, Safety and Quality (SENASICA) and explain clearly in which of both categories should the applicant be considered using the key "*Premio Nacional de Sanidad Vegetal 2019*" (2019 National Price of Plant Health).

The due date to submit the nominations is September 28, 2019, in the General Directorate of Plant Health located in Boulevard Adolfo Ruíz Cortines No. 5010, Piso 4, Col. Insurgentes Cuicuilco, Alcaldía Coyoacán, Mexico City, C.P. 04530.

In the case of proposals sent by postal service (postal mail), we will receive those whose date contained in the postmark of the physical document matches with the due date of the summon.

The jury will be integrated by specialists in phytosanitary matters and their names will be revealed as soon as the identity of the winners is informed.

Once the verdict is delivered, the prize-winning shall be notified, and the results are going to be public via the website of Senasica. The verdict will be irrevocable.

The prize by category will be one and indivisible, and may be declared null and void, if applicable and by unanimous verdict of jury. The awards ceremony will be held on November 29, 2019, at a place determined by the Senasica.