



NICOLE

Network for Industrially Contaminated Land in Europe



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technology
award
2013

**Deadline extended
to 1st September 2013**

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NICOLE is a network for the stimulation, dissemination and exchange of knowledge about all aspects of industrially contaminated land. Its 100 members of 15 European countries come from industrial companies and trade organisations (problem holders), service providers/technology developers, universities and independent research organisations (problem solvers) and governmental organisations (policy makers). The network started in February 1996 as a concerted action under the 4th Framework Programme of the European Community. Since February 1999, NICOLE has been self supporting and is financed by the fees of its members.

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Call for year 2013 entries on
*„Sustainable remediation by using
natural or reusable/recycled materials”*

For more than 15 years NICOLE has undertaken projects and organised workshops, providing a discussion platform in Europe on a sound technical basis for risk based management of contaminated land. Our network is today recognized as a leader in the European Union, and reaches everywhere in the world. Recurring themes are sustainability and cost-efficiency and one of NICOLE's primary missions is the continuous promotion for development and improvement in these fields.

Given the success of the 2011 Technology Award on “Innovative site characterization tools” and 2012 on “Innovative solutions for soil monitoring in contaminated land”, NICOLE decided to launch the 2013 award with the intent to stimulate engineers and scientists to promote technical innovations that can contribute to an improved practice for sustainable contaminated land management. The topic of the Award 2013 is:

„Sustainable remediation by using natural or reusable/recycled materials”

NICOLE is seeking innovation in technology and practise whereby sustainability gains in a remediation project have been or can be demonstrated by the use of natural or reusable / recycled materials. For example, natural resources may be saved by using recycled materials to construct elements of a remediation system. End of life materials may have been used to facilitate chemical treatment of soil or groundwater. Equally, materials can be used in remediation that are then reusable in other projects.

This award is open to individuals or groups of people, irrespective of NICOLE membership. Entries from junior academics in universities or consultancy are especially welcome. Again, entries will be judged on innovation, potential contribution to cost savings, technical applicability and plans for communication and market availability, applicable to contaminated land.

The top 3 entries will have the chance to present their work in front of their peers during NICOLE's 2013 autumn workshop on November 14-15 (details to be announced on www.nicole.org) and the selected entries will be posted on NICOLE's website. The jury consists of representatives from academics (Hans-Peter Koschitzky), Industry (ISG chair and vice chair, Paul van Riet & Roger Jacquet) and Service Providers (SPG chair and vice chair, Sarah MacKay & Arthur de Groof). For any question related to the content or topic of the NICOLE Technology Award 2013, please contact the NICOLE Secretariat (Nan Su, nan.su@nicole.org).

Time schedule and content of entry:

- **Deadline for submission of entries is 1st September 2013.**
- Entries need to have a summary and maximum 6 - 10 pages description (11 pt), including figures.
- Entries should focus only on technical and scientific content, and not have a commercial character.
- Logos are only permitted on the first page.
- Entries to the NICOLE Secretariat (Nan Su, nan.su@nicole.org).

Prizes are:

- **1500 € FOR THE WINNING ENTRY**
- **750 € FOR 2ND BEST**
- Pre-selected entries (top 5), unless already a member via their organisation, will receive three admission tickets to attend NICOLE workshops (NICOLE organizes 2 workshops a year); in case s/he is already member via an organisation, s/he may 'donate' these tickets to a non-member of their choice.
- Winning authors need to agree to publication of their entry on the NICOLE website and in the NICOLE newsletter, and be prepared to participate in a technical workshop of NICOLE.

