

Bernd Rode Award 2026

Call for Award

The **Bernd Rode Award (BRA)** is granted by the [ASEAN-European Academic University Network](https://asea-uninet.org) (ASEA-UNINET) to outstanding joint scientific and higher education collaborations between its Austrian and South-East Asian or Pakistani [member universities](#). Named after **Bernd Michael Rode**, an eminent Austrian researcher and founder of ASEA-UNINET, the aim of the Award is to make extraordinary research achievements or contributions within the framework of ASEA-UNINET visible.

The Bernd Rode Award has been given since 2016 in different categories (<https://asea-uninet.org/scholarships-grants/call-for-bernd-rode-award/>).

Guidelines

- Eligible for application are outstanding achievements or contributions in science or art as well as music that arise from ASEA-UNINET collaborations (e.g. a joint research/art/music project, a research/teaching stay, a scholarship, etc.), regardless of when they were carried out.
- The prospective awardee must be affiliated to an ASEA-UNINET member university.
- The Award is granted in the following two categories:
 - **Junior Researcher** (no doctoral degree required) – up to 2 awardees
 - **Senior Researcher** (applicants over a period of 10 years after completion of their PhD studies (in the arts/music field equivalent permitted) – up to 1 awardee
- The awardees will be honored at the next ASEA-UNINET Plenary Meeting and can present their award-winning (scientific/artistic) achievements there. The travel and accommodation costs will be covered by ASEA-UNINET. The award does not entail a monetary prize.

Nomination

- Candidates for the award can only be nominated by an academic member (at least at Postdoc level) of an ASEA-UNINET member university (the nominator), **a self-nomination is not allowed**. Any nominator may nominate a maximum of 1 person per category.
- The nomination must be supported by a second person/scientist (the endorser). The endorser does not necessarily have to come from an ASEA-UNINET member university.
- The nomination must be submitted by e-mail to berndrode-award@oead.at.
- The nomination package needs to include the following documents:
 - Letter of Nomination (by the nominating scientist/musician), highlighting the role of ASEA-UNINET in the work of the applicant
 - Letter of Endorsement (by the supporting person/scientist)
 - Description of the scientific/artistic achievement including reasons why the BRA should be awarded for it (max. 3 pages)
 - CV and publication list of the proposed BRA awardee

Important Dates

Submission deadline

Notification given no later than

Award Ceremony (as part of the ASEA-UNINET Plenary Meeting in Thailand)

October 29th, 2026

December 20th, 2026

February 2027*

** More information will follow.*