19th Worlddidac Award 2020, Winners of

Bern, 3.11.2020 - For more than thirty years, the Worlddidac Foundation has awarded prizes for innovative and high-quality educational products of present-day.

A jury of teachers from across Switzerland and an international panel of experts consisting of experienced education specialists, consultants and scientists, headed by Prof. Dr Peter Gloor from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, have evaluated and judged more than forty products from the UK, Finland, China, South Korea, Germany, Portugal and Switzerland.

Twenty-seven teaching materials and tools have received an average rating of 75% of the votes. They were therefore judged to be of high pedagogical value and granted the Worlddidac Award 2020 quality label.

In addition, ten products have been selected as winners in different categories and awarded the "Worlddidac Exceptional Product 2020":

1) "Ulla aus dem Eulenwald" ("Ulla from the owl forest") submitted by Lehrmittelverlag Zürich (CH) in the category - Early Years / Preschool Education (ISCED 01-02), non-digital
2) "Schweizer Zahlenbuch" ("The Swiss book of Figures") submitted by Klett und Balmer Verlag (CH) in the category - Early Years / Preschool Education (ISCED 01-02), hybrid
3) "connected 1&2" submitted by Lehrmittelverlag Zürich (CH) in the category Educational Resources for primary education (ISCED 1-2), non-digital
4) "zikzak" submitted by Lehrmittelverlag St. Gallen (CH) in the category Educational Resources for primary education (ISCED 1-2), hybrid
5) "Glarner Heimatbuch" ("Heritage Book of Glarus") - submitted by the Elementary School Department of the Canton of Glarus (CH) in the category Educational Resources for primary education (ISCED 1-2), digital
6) "Gratnells Learnometer", submitted by Gratnells Ltd (UK) in the category Secondary / Middle Years Education (ISCED 3-4), non-digital
7) "LEGO Education Spike Prime", submitted by LEGO GmbH (D) in the category Secondary / Middle Years Education (ISCED 3-4), hybrid
8) "Ilongwill® Sky Lab" submitted by Shandong Yuanda-Ilongwill Educational Science and Technology Ltd. (CHN) in the category Secondary / Middle Years Education (ISCED 3-4), digital
9) "Speexx’ Business English Working from Home” submitted by speexx /digital Publishing AG (D) in the category Technical and Vocational Training, digital
10) "DOK STATION", submitted by NAUTILUS S.A. (P) in the category Post compulsory and Higher Education, non-digital / furnishing

The official presentation of the awards and the festive Gala event had to be cancelled due to the COVID pandemic.
This year, two products in particular have impressed the two jury panels. The "Heritage Book of Glarus - analogue meets digital" has been granted the "Worlddidac Innovative Approach Award 2020" for the successful implementation of the traditional teaching aid. The education material "connected 1&2" has been awarded the “Swisscom Innovation Award 2020” for allowing students to practise differentiated approach dealing with digital media and information technologies.

The next anniversary edition of the "Worlddidac Award" will take place in 2022. Applications open autumn 2021.

About the Worlddidac Award

Since 1984, the international panel of experts appointed by the Worlddidac Foundation has met in Bern to evaluate educational products from all over the world. Thanks to the professional and elaborate assessment process, the award enjoys a high reputation in the education sector. The award winners are presented by the Worlddidac Association on the national and international education stage.

About the Worlddidac Foundation

The Worlddidac Foundation was founded by a group of enthusiasts and protagonists who realised that in supporting students a good tool is as important as a passionate teacher; the idea of the Worlddidac Award was born. As the patron of this biennial event, the Foundation aims to motivate manufacturers to develop or improve high quality and innovative solutions, thus supporting the improvement of learning and teaching.

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