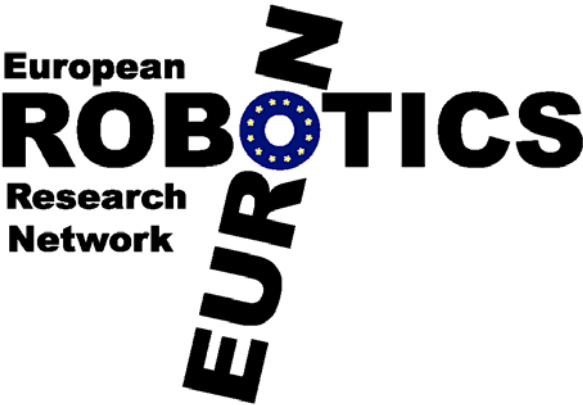


# The 2009 EUROP / EURON Robotics Technology Transfer Award



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EUROP, the European Robotics Technology Platform, is an industry-driven initiative that brings together the main stakeholders in robotics to identify common initiatives to strengthen Europe's competitiveness in robotic R&D, robot products and their applications.

The European Robotics Research Network (EURON) is dedicated to taking Europe to the top in robotics research.

Successful technology transfer describes the process of converting scientific findings from research laboratories into useful products, processes and services by the commercial sector. Outstanding examples of technology transfer in robot technology and automation that result from cooperative efforts between research and industry are eligible for the prize.

A total of €6,000 will be awarded as well as signed certificates to the three most outstanding examples of technology transfer. The event will be highly visible as it will be covered by press.

*Who is  
invited to  
participate?*

Applications are invited from individuals or teams from:

- **Industry**, if technology transfer has taken place in Europe.
- **Universities, research organizations and laboratories** who are a member of EURON.

A team may be represented by up to three members in the application.

*Subject  
areas*

Applications may address, but are not limited to the following areas of robot automation:

- **Robot application:** Solutions of robot automation are sought which have contributed to cutting costs, raising quality and enhancing productivity, or have led to a reduction of physical labour at the workplace.
- **Robot development:** Research results which have contributed to an innovative and competitive robot system (to be used in manufacturing or non-manufacturing fields).
- **Development of robot components:** Results leading to new or improved methods or components which contribute to robot safety, flexibility, intelligence, operation and/or servicing of robot systems.

The project will have to be completed at the time of application but this date should not be more than 24 months in the past. Should submitted applications not come up to the required standards of excellence no prize will be awarded.

*Application max. 6 pages* The written application should include a summary not exceeding six pages of the project, setting out:

- Project title
- Participants and company information
- Motivation and goals of the research and development effort
- State of the art
- Project approach
- Results of research and development
- Achieved innovation and commercial impact
- Handling of intellectual property rights
- Cooperation between research and industry with benefit for the partners.

Furthermore, an annex (e.g. project reports, publications, video, dissertation etc.) can be provided to evidence the project's soundness and impact.

*Deadline* The complete application should be sent to Martin Haegele ([mmh@ipa.fhg.de](mailto:mmh@ipa.fhg.de)) by **February 20, 2009**.

*Selection procedure* Submitted applications will be evaluated by a jury consisting of members of the EURON and EUROP Boards.

The finalists will be informed at least three weeks prior to the award ceremony.

*Award ceremony* The ceremony for the 2009 EUROP / EURON Robotics Technology Transfer Award will take place at the next EURON annual meeting in Leuven, Belgium, during **April 6 to 8, 2009** (exact date will be announced). In a "Technology Transfer Session" the finalists will each have 15 min. plus discussion to present their projects. Based on both the written application and the presentation, the jury will determine the winners.

*Submission address* Send application by mail or (preferably) by email to:

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