

To whom it may concern,

During its meeting on 21 February 2020, the University of the Basque Country's Postgraduate Commission agreed to issue the call for applications for the Extraordinary Doctoral Prizes corresponding to the 2017-2018 academic year.

Therefore, PhD holders who defended their Doctoral Thesis at this University between 1 October 2017 and 30 September 2018, and those who defended their Doctoral Thesis between 1 October 2016 and 30 September 2017 and who later went on maternity or paternity leave and comply with the requirements established in article 44 of the Management Regulations for Doctoral Degrees (see enclosed copy), may apply to be considered as candidates for the Extraordinary Prize, to which end they must submit the following documents to any of the General Registers of the UPV/EHU before 13.00h on 27 March 2020:

1. Application of the interested party, addressed to the Chair of the UPV/EHU Postgraduate Commission (template enclosed).
2. Documents attesting to the fact that, as a result of the Thesis defended, at least one paper has been accepted for publication in a journal of recognised international prestige, or at least one patent has been obtained or one relevant contribution made, in accordance with the criteria established by the CNEAI for each knowledge area.
3. In order for the thesis to be considered by the Panel appointed by the UPV/EHU Postgraduate Commission, alleged publications and merits must be derived directly from the Doctoral Thesis, and the candidate must expressly indicate for each merit the specific link with the work presented in the Thesis (template enclosed).

If the merit is an international publication, please indicate in which area of the Journal Citation Report it is published.

4. Proof of the maternity or paternity leave taken, along with evidence of its duration and the corresponding *family book* (booklet issued in Spain recording details of one's marriage, children's birth dates, etc.) for PhD holders who defended their theses during previous academic year.

Leioa, 21 February 2020

CHAIR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE BASQUE COUNTRY'S POSTGRADUATE COMMISSION

Maria Araceli Garía Martín

