

The IAA is opening a new prize, the IAA dissertation prize. This prize and its organization was submitted by the board members to the IAA General Meeting in Philadelphia (July 2016), and it was approved:

<http://iaassyriology.org/category/minutes/> .

Starting in 2017, the IAA will award €1,500 to the best recent PhD dissertation in Assyriology (understood broadly to include all cuneiform studies) and Mesopotamian archaeology. The funding for this award is intended to provide assistance for the publication of the dissertation.

To be eligible, the dissertation must have been completed and officially approved within the two years prior to the deadline for applications. Rules and regulations of the IAA Dissertation prize can be found here: <http://iaassyriology.org/phd/>

Candidates are asked to complete a form and send it together with their PhD dissertation to the following address: `iaa_dissertation-award_form` before December 1, 2016.

Could you please forward this announcement to early career colleagues and display it in your institutes?

We hope to have many good candidates. The prize will be publicly awarded during the general meeting in Marburg in July 2017.

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