

# UNIDO INTERNATIONAL AWARD

## *INNOVATIVE IDEAS AND TECHNOLOGIES IN AGRIBUSINESS*

The United Nations Organization for Industrial Development UNIDO ITPO Italy launches the Edition 2017 of the [International Award Innovative Ideas and Technologies in Agribusiness](#).

The aim of the award, promoted in collaboration with the Italian National Research Council, Seeds&Chips and under the patronage of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, consists in identifying the best technologies and innovative ideas from startups, enterprises, universities and research centers and technology transfer could lead to social and economic improvements if implemented in Developing Countries (DCs).

Starting from the crucial role played by agriculture in developing economies and the impact of innovation, through this contest UNIDO ITPO Italy aims to create connections between the private, academic, financial and institutional sectors that will help to provide concrete answers to food security and safety issues, triggering a primary factor for growth and development.

Priority will be given to the following themes:

- Technologies for the improvement of the harvest, processing, conservation and packaging of food products, with a special focus on the use of advanced and innovative materials;
- Technologies and innovative ideas for the valorization of agricultural products of agricultural communities and aimed at fighting food waste and losses;
- Innovative solutions for the logistics management and access to international markets of agricultural products of DCs;
- Technologies and innovative solutions for the improvement of life conditions of workers in the agricultural and similar sectors in DCs;
- Technologies and instruments for the development and qualification of a local market for food and agricultural goods and products;
- Innovative solutions linked to the environmental technologies for agribusiness waste treatment & management, and production of energy and water from alternative sources for agricultural, human and zoo technical use.

The deadline for submitting applications is 10 April 2017. At the end of the selection process the jury will select 5 winners: one for the category *Women*, one for the *Young – Under 35* and 3 for the overall category. Winners will be invited to the Award Ceremony scheduled on May 10, 2017 in Milan within the framework of The Global Food Innovation Summit to be held in Rho Fiera Milano.

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