# **Regulations for the Fritz Kutter Fonds**

(dated 24 November 2015)

The Executive Board of ETH Zurich, based on Art. 5 para. 1 and 2 of the Federal Act on the Federal Institutes of Technology of October 4, 1991 (SR414.110) and Art. 45 para. 3 of the financial regulations of ETH Zurich of September 28, 2005 (RSETHZ 245), decrees that

#### Art.1 Purpose

- (1) A special fund exists at ETH Zurich under the name "Fritz Kutter Fund", which is the result of a donation made in 1975 with the substantial assistance of Dr Fritz Kutter (1902-1985); according to the deed of donation, cash prizes are to be awarded from the assets and their income per regulations to be issued by the Executive Board of ETH Zurich in recognition of valuable work in the field of practice-oriented informatics.
- (2) Eligible for the award are graduates of a Swiss college or university who, preferably in their final thesis (Master's, Bachelor's, Diploma, Licentiate, or Doctoral thesis), propose a practical solution in the field of information processing or describe a useful implementation of information technology findings in a business environment.

## Art. 2 Proposal for the awarding of prizes

Professors and lecturers at Swiss colleges or universities may submit to the Rector of ETH Zurich for the attention of the fund's board of trustees by the end of the spring semester (the deadline for submission is set by the board of trustees), substantiated proposals for the awarding of prizes to those graduates whose work was submitted less than one year from the date of the proposal. The submission must be in electronic form. It must be accompanied by a letter from the supervising professor containing all the necessary information about the thesis and the author and at the same time confirming that the thesis has not been submitted for another prize.

#### Art. 3 Board of trustees

- (1) A special board of trustees shall decide on the use of the fund's capital and income.
- (2) It shall select the prizewinner from among the nominees, provided the work is of high scientific quality, determine the amount of the cash prizes and decide on other uses of the fund's assets.
- (3) The board of trustees shall be composed of at least three members as follows, of whom no more than two-thirds shall belong to a college or university:
- a) Ex officio, it shall include the Rector of ETH Zurich or a person designated by them/her/him;
- b)It shall also include a member of the Dr Fritz Kutter family or a person designated by them;
- c) These two members determine the number of other members, elect further members, and appoint them, as a rule, for a four-year term of office; re-election is permitted.
- (4) The fund's board of trustees is self-constituting. It shall meet at the invitation of its chairperson, but at least once a year. It may adopt its own rules of procedure and call in experts to advise it.

# Art. 4 Presentation of prizes

The prizes shall be awarded at an appropriate academic ceremony.

## Art. 5 Fund management

- (1) The Accounting Department of ETH Zurich shall manage the fund assets. The Internal Audit of the ETH Domain shall exercise financial supervision.
- (2) Awards shall be paid out by the Accounting Department of ETH Zurich.
- (3) The fund may receive donations with the same or a similar purpose at any time. Unused interest shall be added to the capital.

#### Art. 6 Dissolution of the fund

If no prizes have been awarded for five years, the fund shall be dissolved, and the remaining capital shall be transferred to ETH Zurich for free disposal.

# Art. 7 Final provisions

- (1) These regulations shall enter into force on 1 January 2016.
- (2) The regulations of 16 September 1987 are repealed.

Zurich, 24 November 2015

On behalf of the school management

The President: Guzzela

The Secretary-General: Bretscher