



News Release from the IULTCS

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IULTCS Young Leather Scientist Grant Programme 2022 Announced

The Executive Committee of the IULTCS is pleased to announce the 2022 grants to be awarded to two young scientists, under the age of 35, for research projects in the categories: Leather Research and Sustainability/Environment - to be conducted at a recognised institution in 2022.

“Leather Naturally is proud to continue sponsoring the Dr Mike Redwood Sustainability/Environment grant with the monetary sum of €1,000 sponsorship” said Egbert Dijkers, Chairperson. “With Leather Naturally focussing on providing education to designers, brands and consumers, it was a logical step to sponsor this award named in honour of our founder Dr Mike Redwood.”

2022 will be the eighth year of the grant, and in addition to Sustainability/Environment the IULTCS will provide the monetary sponsorship for a single sum of €1,500 grant to a Basic Leather Research project.

Michael Meyer, Chairman of the International Union of Research Commission (IUR) of IULTCS and Research Director at Freiberg (Germany) based FILK Leather Institute expressed his appreciation of the continued engagement: “We are very happy to announce the award for the 8th year. The detailed project results of previous winners are presented in their reports on the IULTCS web site. It is worthwhile reviewing these substantial and significant investigations. We very much value the contribution of Leather Naturally to our YLSG programme. It is a vital instrument to encourage young leather scientists to acquire awareness and become more connected to the established research community of our industry. We have seen the programme growing stronger over the past years. Last year’s awards resulted in numerous, ambitious applications with innovative ideas and sustainable technologies.”

Application submissions for the 2022 YLSG programme open on 01 October 2021 and Luis Zugno, President of IULTCS, asks young research talents of the industry to file innovative and thought-provoking project ideas before the 30 November 2021 deadline.

Details of the eligibility requirements are available on the IULTCS website [YSLG application rules and procedure 2022.pdf \(iultcs.org\)](https://www.iultcs.org/YSLG_application_rules_and_procedure_2022.pdf)

The IULTCS requests that readers of this announcement forward the information to those institutions and individuals who could benefit from the award.

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