



EAPRIL Best Research & Practice Project Award 2017

We are proud to present you the first call for **the 6th EAPRIL Best Research & Practice Project Award**, which will be awarded at our 2017 Conference in Hämeenlinna, Finland, from November 29th to December 1st, 2017.

The EAPRIL Best Research and Practice Project Award recognizes the best project by practitioner researchers in the field of education, learning and instruction, and training and development. If you are managing or taking part in a research project of which you think it will contribute to educational practice and the EAPRIL community, we encourage you to submit your project. Please submit your project in our submission system (<https://conference.earli.org/>) under the format 'Best Research & Practice Project Award' **by May 10th, 2016**. The submission will consist of an abstract and a questionnaire based on the criteria below.

The **awarding committee**, which exists of an external jury of experts that are active in various fields and different institutions, will evaluate the applications on the basis of the following **elements**.

- 1) How is the project responding to a real need in the field?
- 2) How did researchers and practitioners contribute to the project? What type of collaboration or network did you establish? How well did it work?
- 3) Describe the main focus of the research part and research questions?
- 4) What is the impact of the project in the field?
- 5) What is the collective development of researchers and practitioners involved in this project?
- 6) What kind of products did the project have as output, e.g. publications, tools, websites, presentations, ... (i.e. degree of dissemination)
- 7) What is the sustainability of the project, or these products?
- 8) What are the three most important lessons learned/conclusions during the course of the project?

The awarding committee will make a selection of best projects ahead of the conference. These shortlisted projects will be invited to present their project at the 2017 Conference by means of a presentation during the plenary Best Research & Practice Project Award session. Moreover, the participants are asked to prepare a poster to present their project ahead of the conference, which will be published online before the start of the conference. Finally, a short elevator pitch presentation at the opening session is encouraged. As a



result, the shortlisted project will be given as much exposure as possible. On the basis of the proposals and these presentations, the awarding committee will decide on the winner of the 2017 Best Research & Practice Project Award.

This awarding procedure will take place at the end of the conference. The main applicant of the winning project will be **awarded with the EAPRIL Best Research & Practice Project Award, a certificate, a one year free membership and a free conference ticket for the next EAPRIL conference.** Registration and participation at the full conference of at least one representative of the applying project is required in order to compete for this Award.

The application deadline for this Award is **May 10th, 2017**. The EAPRIL Office will contact you by mid July 2017 to inform you whether your project has been shortlisted.

Take this chance and benefit from the exposure and plenty of dissemination opportunities that the Award will bring. Are you still doubting whether you would apply or not? [Check out our interview with the winner of 2015, Kim Schildkamp and her team.](#) Perhaps their experiences can convince you to submit your project.

More information on the history of the Best Research and Practice Project Award can be found on our website: <http://eapril.org/award>

We wish you and your team the best of luck and hope to receive your submission!

Yours Sincerely,

The EAPRIL Office

