Harry Otten Foundation: Activity Plans for 2026

20 November 2025

Activity Plans for 2026:

In September 2026, the application submission for the next round (2026/2027) of the Harry Otten Prize (HOP) will start. The application window will open on 15 September 2026 and will close on 10 March 2027. The prize will be awarded in September 2027 during the Annual Meeting of the European Meteorological Society (EMS) which will be held between 5-10 September 2027 in Krakow, Poland.

Activities in 2026 will focus primarily on advertising the opportunity and timeline for the 2027 Harry Otten Prize. This coming September the 2026 EMS Annual Meeting is planned to take place 6-11 September 2026, at the Jaarbeurs in Utrecht, The Netherlands. At that meeting, per usual, an announcement will be made regarding the 2027 Harry Otten Prize and the opening of the submission window. In addition, a communication plan will be launched to announce the prize to a wider community.

In addition HOP will sponsor a coffee break at the 2026 EMS Annual Meeting in Utrecht.

Per 31 Dec 2025 Dennis Schulze has retired from the board and Eric Terpstra will take over his duty as treasurer of the Foundation on 1-1-2026. Gert-Jan Steeneveld will retire from the board in 31-12-2026.