



Recommendations for the Writing of Expert Opinions for the Innovation Award / for the Awards granted by Vodafone-Foundation for Research in Mobile Communications (Vodafone-Stiftung für Forschung in der Mobilkommunikation)

The expert opinions should comment explicitly on the following aspects:

1. Nominated projects

1.1 Academic profile of the nominees and outline of their academic achievement in national and international comparison

1.2 Introduction to the nominated topic, work, project, research study

1.3 Theory, methodology, solutions

- Position of the nominated project in its respective field of research as well as in regard to the current state of research
- Challenges and solutions (contributions to problem solving)
- Results, advantages and progress in comparison to existing solutions
- Theoretical-methodical standard and scientific quality
- Future achievements to be expected from the nominee
- Previous awards of the nominee
- **Innovation Award:** expected effect on the nominee's national and international cooperation

1.4 Degree of innovation

- Scientific originality and excellence of problem solution
- Effect of the work on the research area
- Does the project strengthen Germany as a research location?

1.5 Interdisciplinarity

1.6 Practical Implementation and/or commercial usability

- Usability in practice
- Assessment of market opportunities

1.7 Possible reference to shortcomings of the nominated work, e.g. solutions, methods etc.

2. Outstanding character traits of the nominee

- Team spirit
- Management qualities
- Social competence
- Further characteristics