The European Optical Society and the LIGHT2015 project announce:

**The LIGHT2015 Young Photonics Entrepreneur Award** to honour an individual who has made outstanding technical and/or innovative contributions to the photonics industry

**The LIGHT2015 Young Women in Photonics Award** to honour a young female scientist who has made outstanding contributions to photonics

Both awards consist of a diploma and an honorarium of €2500. The awards will be presented at the World of Photonics Congress in Munich, Germany, which will be held on 21 - 25 June, 2015.

**Elegibility:**

- **LIGHT2015 Young Photonics Entrepreneur Award**  
  Any entrepreneur under 37 years old, at the moment of the presentation of the award, active in the field of photonics may apply for the award.

- **LIGHT2015 Young Women in Photonics Award**  
  Any woman under 37 years old, at the moment of the presentation of the award, active in the field of photonics may apply for the award.

**How to apply:**
Candidates should send the completed application form, one letter of support (by a supervisor or mentor), a short (2 page) biography/CV, a list of publications, a description of the contribution (not exceeding 2 pages of A4, 12 point text), making clear the nature of innovation impact to industry/contribution to photonics to Ms. Elina Koistinen, (koistinen@myeos.org).

Deadline for Applications: **15 April 2015**

**About LIGHT2015**
The International Year of Light in Europe 2015 (LIGHT2015) is an outreach and education initiative that will promote the importance of photonics to young people, entrepreneurs, and the general public in Europe during the International Year of Light and Light-based Technologies (IYL 2015).

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