

Announcement of the winners of the Call for Ideas: “Call4Elegants”

Innovation and creativity at the heart of the competition.

The Commission for the selection of project proposals received in response to the “Call for Ideas” within the project E-le.gants - E-Learning Gamified and Networked Training for Startuppers met on Thursday 26 September.

The competition saw the participation of nine project proposals from young talents from the universities that participated in the project, all united by the common goal of developing innovative and sustainable solutions.

After a scrupulous evaluation by a jury of experts, the following winners were selected, who stood out for the originality and impact of their ideas:

- First place went to the team with the project ***TimePuzzles – Unlocking the Mysteries of Ancient Cultures through a VR Expedition Game***: the project aims to merge an immersive virtual world with thrilling games and challenges, creating a unique and educational experience.
- Second place went to the ***Voices of the Fallen, Connecting Past and Present Through QR Codes project***: the aim of the project is to combine computer science and engineering in order to come up with an interactive digital memorial for historical documentation about soldiers.
- Third place went to the team with the project ***AI-Powered Art Interpretation and Accessibility for the Visually Impaired***: the project uses AI to make art accessible to the visually impaired by converting visual elements into detailed auditory descriptions. Advanced image recognition and natural language processing algorithms analyze artworks and provide rich, contextually relevant audio narratives.

The winning teams will receive cash prizes to be used for participation in ***the Maker Faire Rome - the European Edition*** to be held in Rome from 25 to 27 October 2024. Each winner will also have the opportunity to present their idea during the final event of the Ele.gants project, which will be held in early 2025.

The success of the Call for ideas represents an important milestone within the E- le.gants project which is committed to promoting self-entrepreneurship and initiatives that stimulate the creativity and talent of young innovators.

For further information and details on the awarded projects, we invite you to visit our website at <https://elegantsproject.eu>.