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**Emperor-Maximilian-Prize 2023  
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Dear Sir or Madam,

over the past months and years Europe has changed challenging civilians in particular and, as a consequence, those in positions of political responsibility. War, energy crisis and inflation are causing uncertainty and fears and are preparing the way for nationalist tendencies. We are convinced that we can only face today's problems through a strong European cooperation.

Especially in such challenging times, we are convinced that it is necessary to focus on the achievements of our united Europe and to foster and preserve the free and peaceful coexistence of people and cultures for generations to come.

The Emperor-Maximilian-Prize 2023 is particularly aimed at young people and youth institutions. Because the participation of young people is crucial for a viable and sustainable Europe of the future. Their ideas and initiatives are signposts for what the Europe of tomorrow might look like. At the same time, they need good examples so that they in turn can actively shape their own future.

The Emperor-Maximilian-Prize of the City of Innsbruck and the Region of Tyrol offers the opportunity to highlight and honour projects and initiatives from all areas of life that actively practise European togetherness through their actions and activities. We are looking for pioneering projects that stand for a lively Europe beyond the municipal and/or regional level. On the one hand, these are to be awarded and supported with the earmarked prize money in the amount of € 10,000, on the other hand, they should also offer inspiration for further concepts.

Applications can be submitted until 20 April 2023 by using the application form in English on [www.emperormaximilianprize.at](http://www.emperormaximilianprize.at).

In May 2023, the winner of all submissions will be selected by an expert jury composed of representatives of the City of Innsbruck, the Region of the Tyrol, the University of Innsbruck, the European Committee of the Regions, the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, the Assembly of European Regions, as well as

the Council of European Municipalities and Regions.

For more details on the Emperor-Maximilian-Prize please see the information we have attached or go to our website.

Of course, it is our goal to draw the attention of as many suitable initiatives and projects as possible to the Emperor-Maximilian-Prize 2023 and we would highly appreciate if you could support us by forwarding our call for applications to potentially interested applicants.

We hope to receive numerous exciting submissions and look forward to honouring and presenting the winning project at the award ceremony which will be held in Innsbruck in autumn 2023.

Thank you very much for supporting our request!

Yours sincerely



Anton Mattle  
Governor of Tyrol



Georg Willi  
Mayor of Innsbruck



Cornelia Hagele  
Member of the Regional Parliament



Christine Oppitz-Plörer  
City Councillor