



The Formentera Council's department of culture and patrimony held a press conference today and announced it is accepting applications for the 2015 period for its 6,000€ research grant. Department head Susana Labrador indicated applicants can come from any area of the arts, humanities or social sciences.

Councillor Labrador reminded the crowd of winning work from years past, including the 2012 study “De qui venim: anàlisi psicocultural de la gent gran a Formentera” by Josep Maria Garcia-Borés, the first grant recipient. In 2013, Vicent Ferrer Mayans and Raquel Guasch Ferrer were awarded the grant for “Estudi ecotoponímic de les véndes de gregal de l'illa de Formentera”. And last year's winner was Maria Bofill Martínez, for her project “L'estudi de les comunitats prehistòriques de Formentera a partir de l'anàlisi funcional dels artefactes lítics i ossis”.

In the coming days rules of participation will be posted on the online bulletin of the Balearic Islands (BOIB) and candidates will have 20 business days to present their projects. Then, when the deadline has closed, a panel will select a winner based on «scientific interest, coherence, methodology and a CV submitted by the applicant», said Councillor Parellada.

According to Parellada, the grant – now in its fourth year – demonstrates the Formentera Council's clear support for scientific research on the island of Formentera. She noted this year's call for applications would be published in universities and other educational centres in the Balearics and across the Catalan-speaking territories.