

OIV, Paris, 17 October 2016
OIV Awards presented to the 2016 winners

The OIV Awards ceremony was held at the OIV headquarters in the presence of numerous representatives of the vitivincultural sector and the Diplomatic Corps, together with OIV President Ms Monika Christmann, OIV Director General Mr Jean-Marie Aurand and Scientific Secretary of the Award Jury Mr Jean-Luc Berger.

A total of 12 Awards and 13 Special Mentions were awarded by the OIV to this year's winners. As an exceptional gesture, the Grand Prix Award was awarded to both Pierre Galet and Jancis Robinson for their contribution to the dissemination of knowledge about the vitivincultural sector and in recognition of their internationally-renowned work.

Ms Christmann and Mr Aurand highlighted the growing success – to the delight of interested readers – in terms of quality information on the wine world, in a number of fields: technology and science, economy and law, history and fine arts, literature, health, the marriage between wine and gastronomy, the discovery and presentation of wines, as well as wine regions around the world.

The 2016 ceremony confirmed the renown and prestige of the OIV Awards, as well as the fantastic openness given the inclusion of works concerning countries that are not OIV members or about whose wine production still very little is known.