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The sixth edition of the Global Junior Challenge was promoted by Roma Capitale and organized by the Fondazione Mondo Digitale under the High Patronage of the President of the Republic and with the patronage of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and in collaboration with the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC), Legambiente and Intel Italy.

The Awards ceremony was held this morning in the *Campidoglio Sala della Protomoteca* with **Rome Mayor Gianni Alemanno**.

The 81 finalist projects, which came from 19 countries ranging from Nepal to Perù, all proved that it is possible to make an innovative use of new technology (Internet, virtual reality and multimedia) for 21<sup>st</sup> century education and social inclusion.

**Five types of awards** (Global Junior Challenge, President of the Republic, Small Fund, i-Prof and a free trip to the Vienna UNAOC Forum) were presented to the winners in each category by Deputy Mayor of Rome**Sveva Belviso** at the presence of the Fondazione Mondo Digitale President**Gennaro Sangiuliano** and the Family, Education and Youth Councillor**Gianluigi De Palo.** 

The GLOBAL JUNIOR CHALLENGE AWARD (a medal of the Roman she-wolf with Romulus

and Remus – the symbol of the foundation of the City of Rome) was presented to the winning projects selected amongst all submitted projects:

Category – Up to 10 Years Old (She-wolf medal Award)

"Amai the bird of light – Animated story promoting Tolerance, Multiculturalism and Peace" by Funkor Child Art Center in Pakistan.

Category - Up to 15 Years Old

"La Nuova Talpa online" by the Istituto comprensivo Gaudenzio Ferrari in Novara, Italy. Category – Up to 18 Years Old

"Web Promotion of the Italian Mediterranean Diet" by Istituto Tecnico Galilei Costa in Lecce, Italy.

Category - Up to 29 Years Old

"ICT Tools for Early Diagnosis Support" by Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia in Lima, Peru.

Category - ICT for Youth Job Market Insertion

"Mobile Phone Job Information Service" by the African Network for the Prevention and Protection of Abuse and Neglect in Malawi.

Category - ICT for Environmental Sustainability in collaboration with Legambiente

"Organic Garden Dream" by Black Board Collaborate with the transnational schools network in Taiwan

Category – ICT for the Integration of Migrants and Refugees in collaboration with UNAOC (United Nation Alliance of Civilization)

"Capeverde Multimedia Center Mundokriol", by the Associazione Lunaria in Rome, Italy.

## FREE TRIP TO THE FORUM UNAOC

The Associazione Lunaria was also awarded the free trip to the Vienna UNAOC Forum (February 27-28, 2013).

**PRESIDENTE OF THE REPUBLIC AWARD** (six silver medals) presented to the most innovative projects by Italian schools:

**Istituto comprensivo Largo Cocconi, Rome** - for the "Primary School Robotics" Project. **Istituto comprensivo Don Milani, Latina** for the "Pinocchio 2.0" Project.

**Scuola media Michelangelo Buonarroti, Olgiate Comasco (CO)** – for the "Chocolat 3B Podcast" Project.

**Istituto comprensivo Paolo Soprani di Castelfidardo (AN)** – for the "Growing in Cooperation. Colouring the Rainbow" Project.

Itis Marconi di Pontedera, (PI) – for the "Gasbuster, an Environmental Robot" Project. 109 Circolo didattico Vittorio Puccini, Rome – for the "P@ssion [1] Scientists" Project

The **SMALL FUND AWARD** is a monetary prize (€3000) allocated by the Fondazione Mondo Digitale to projects from developing countries. Moreover, the winners will be able to promote their project on phyrtual.org, the FMD's digital platform.

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The **I-PROF AWARD** was presented to the professor with the mosti innovative idea. The award includes a last generation portable generously donated by Intel Italy: **Salvatore Giuliano, Headmaster Itis Majorana in Brindisi, Italy** for the "Book in Progress" Project.

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