

## PRESS RELEASE

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# The CNP Assurances Foundation is backing equal opportunities with the Foundation for Belgian Vocation Foundation

Every year, the Marcel Bleustein-Blanchet Foundation awards several Vocation prizes to enthusiastic young people who need a bit of a lift to help them get started with their careers. The CNP Assurances Foundation has been partnering these awards for several years and is extremely committed to equal opportunities. On 17 December 2018, it awarded three prizes to people aged between 18 and 30 years old.

The Marcel Bleustein-Blanchet Foundation was set up to encourage people to pursue all vocations and to help young people who, for lack of material support, are hindered in their efforts to flourish in the profession that they have chosen. Every year, it holds a ceremony during which, together with its partners, it rewards the most deserving young people with grants so they can pursue their professional aims.

As a partner of the event, the CNP Assurances Foundation, which has been committed to tackling healthcare social inequalities ever since it was set up, helps vulnerable young people interested in pursuing jobs in healthcare: medical, paramedical or medical-social vocations. At this year's ceremony, it awarded three vocation prizes worth a total of €30,000 to the winners:

**Morgan Begey**, 26 years old, lecturer-researcher in psychology in Besançon. Because he is funding his research project on his own, Morgan needs to work full-time. Thanks to the grant, he'll be able to free up some time for his thesis on two subjects about which he is passionate: magic and human sciences.

**Nadia Habri**, 27 years old, studying medicine in Poitiers. Once she has completed a PhD in pharmacy, Nadia wants to continue studying and become a neurologist – her childhood dream that she had to put to one side for family and financial reasons. This grant will enable Nadia to focus fully on her hospital training.

**Clara Ziane**, 25 years old, researcher in kinesiology in Montréal (Canada). Clara has played the guitar since she was a child and is interested in the pains and musculoskeletal injuries that particularly affect people who play musical instruments. She is currently working on a research project on preventing shoulder injuries for violinists in Montréal's professional orchestras. Since up until now she has had to fund her studies while working at the same time, the grant will enable Clara to focus full-time on her research over the next three semesters.



Nadia Hamri and Clara Ziane

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## About CNP Assurances

CNP Assurances is the leading personal insurer in France with net profits of €1.285 billion in 2017. The Group is active in Europe and Latin America, with its secondary market strongly positioned in Brazil.

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## About the CNP Assurances Foundation

Serving major public health issues for over twenty years, the CNP Assurances Foundation has made reducing social inequalities in healthcare its priority. Its role is to support innovative projects that are of social benefit and which provide with concrete solutions to bolster equal opportunities in healthcare.

## About the Vocation Foundation

It was in 1960 that Marcel Bleustein-Blanchet, who at the time was chairman of Publicis, decided to create the Vocation Foundation. The Foundation encourages people to pursue all vocations and helps young people who – for lack of material support – are hindered in their efforts to flourish in the profession that they have chosen. Elisabeth Badinter is its current president. This year, the sponsor for the 2018 intake is Erik Orsenna.

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