



BOLOGNA PRIZE FOR THE BEST CHILDREN'S PUBLISHERS OF THE YEAR THE 2019 WINNERS

The best of international publishing at BolognaFiere: awards for creativity, courage and quality choices

Established by the Bologna Children's Book Fair in collaboration with the Association of Italian Publishers (AIE) and the International Publishers Association (IPA), the **BOP – Bologna Prize for the Best Children's Publishers of the Year** acknowledges publishers in each of the six areas of the world that have stood out in terms of their creativity, courage and the quality of the editorial choices over the last year. The award ceremony of the seventh edition of the prize was held yesterday evening on 1 April at Palazzo d'Accursio in Bologna on the first day of the Fair as is customary. Here follows the list of the winners, all selected by a jury made up of publishers:

AFRICA

For Africa the winner is **Sub-Saharan Publishers**, Ghana, founded in 1992 and specialized in children's books that deal with environmental themes

<https://www.subsaharanpublishers.com/>

ASIA

For Asia the prize went to the **Locus Publishing Company**, Taiwan, founded in 1996, its publications aim to capture the spirit of "future, adventure culture".

http://www.locuspublishing.com/About_eng.aspx

EUROPE

For Europe the winner is the Portuguese **Orfeu negro**. Founded in 2007, this publisher focuses on the arts and first ventured into the world of children's publishing in 2008, in particular with illustrated books.

<https://www.orfeunegro.org/>

NORD AMERICA

For North America the top podium place is for **Comme des géants**, Canada, a young independent publisher specialised in books for infants that stood out for the quality of its narratives, literature and graphics.

<http://www.commedesgeants.com/>

CENTRAL - SOUTH AMERICA

For Central and South America the prize was awarded to Argentina's **Limonero**, a publisher that after many years of publishing educational material, in 2014 branched out successfully into illustrated books.

<http://www.limonero.com.ar/>

OCEANIA

Finally, for Oceania the prize went to the Australian **Scribble Kids' Books**, an eclectic publisher of children's books

<http://scribblekidsbooks.com/>