



## Press release

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The "OVERSEAS TALENTS" event, which was set up by CASODOM in 2005, takes place every two years.

It exists **to give recognition to natives of all French overseas territories who have distinguished themselves by exceptional achievement** in any intellectual or academic discipline, classical singing, music or dance, or even a manual craft, having overcome all obstacles they may have encountered along the way. Only activities related to high-level sport or show business which already receive strong media visibility are excluded.

**Our objectives:** *to increase the visibility of overseas excellence in France and around the world, to promote our Talents using examples and models which are likely to encourage young people to strive for excellence, and finally to give our fellow citizens a more positive image of our overseas territories, and especially of their young people.*

## Deadline for submission of applications: Wednesday, July 31, 2019

### **Candidates can register in one of two categories:**

- **"Young Talents"**, for candidates who are finishing up advanced studies or have graduated in the last two years, or for young workers who have demonstrated their skills in a manual job. The winners in the category of "Young Talents" receive a **prize of € 2000**.
- **"Experienced Talents"**, for candidates who are already recognized for their excellence in the professional environment.

**231 "Overseas Talents" have already been recognized by CASODOM since 2005, which testifies to overseas excellence throughout the world in the most varied fields:**

*Architecture and Urban Planning. Classical arts (music, song and dance). Applied arts (especially design). Culture and Communication. Law and Public Management. Economy and Finance. Entrepreneurship, Engineering and Innovation. Higher education and Research. Industry and the Luxury Goods trade. Computers and New Technologies. Management, Commerce and Marketing. Medicine and Public Health. Catering and Tourism-related professions. Voluntary and Environmental Organizations, etc.*

**The winners will be unveiled at a ceremony under the patronage of the French President to be held at the Palais d'Iéna in december 2019**

For more information and to access the application form, see [www.casodom.fr](http://www.casodom.fr)

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The Social contact reference in France for the natives of its overseas territories, since 1956,  
and the Discoverer of Overseas Talents since 2005.**