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## European Union Prize for Literature winners announced



The **European Union Prize for Literature 2015** winners were announced at the London Book Fair. The award recognises the best up-and-coming authors in Europe and is open to countries participating in **Creative Europe**, the EU funding programme for the cultural and creative sectors.

The winners were announced at the opening ceremony of the **London Book Fair** by Tibor Navracsics, European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport.

The European Union Prize for Literature is organised by the European Commission in cooperation with the European Booksellers' Federation, the European Writers' Council and the Federation of European Publishers.

**This year's winners are:**

Carolina Schutti (Austria) for *Einmal muss ich über weiches Gras gelaufen sein* (Once I must have trodden soft grass). Otto Müller Verlag, 2012.  
Luka Bekavac (Croatia) for *Viljevo*. Fraktura, 2013.

Gaëlle Josse (France) for *Le dernier gardien d'Ellis Island* (The last guardian of Ellis Island). Editions Noir sur Blanc, 2014.

Edina Szvoren (Hungary) for *Nincs, és ne is legyen* (There Is None, Nor Let There Be). Palatinus, 2012.

Donal Ryan (Ireland) for *The Spinning Heart* (Le cœur qui tourne). Doubleday Ireland, 2013.

Lorenzo Amurri (Italy) for *Apnea*. Fandango Libri, 2013.

Undinė Radzevičiūtė (Lithuania) for *Žuvys ir drakonai* (Fishes and Dragons). Baltos lankos, 2013.

Ida Hegazi Høyer (Norway) for *Unnskyld* (Forgive me). Tiden Norsk Forlag, 2014.

Magdalena Parys (Poland) for *Magik* (Magician). Świat Książki, 2014.

David Machado (Portugal) for *Índice Médio de Felicidade* (Average Happiness Index). Dom Quixote, 2013.

Svetlana Zuchova (Slovakia) for *Obrazy zo života M.* (Scenes from the Life of M.). Marenčin PT, 2013.

Sara Stridsberg (Sweden) for *Beckomberga - ode till min familj* (The Gravity of Love). Albert Bonniers Förlag, 2014.

### About the prize

- Every year national juries in a third of participating countries - 12 this time around - nominate the winners.
- Each winner receives €5,000. More importantly, they gain international visibility and from the prestige of the award.

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