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And the Green Impact Prize goes to the NIK-project!

Green education in The Netherlands has the tradition of the Green Impact Prize. Schools in different categories, from pre-vocational up to university level, were invited to send their projects with a special and trendsetting impact for the school, for the students and for society. Also for 2020, this competition was organized.

In the category Secondary Vocational education, Clusius College presented the NIK project. Out of 18 projects, our NIK-project was nominated as one of the best three projects. The jury made their final ranking, based on criteria such as innovation, impact, transferability and visibility in the media. The nominated projects had concrete solutions for companies, organizations and society.

On Thursday, 13 February 2020, the official announcement was there. And what we hoped, became real: Clusius College was the best. During a nice event, the prize was handed over by the Dutch Astronaut Andre Kuipers. Connected to this prize, the school received € 2.500, to be spent according the student's wishes. They decided to use it for coming cooking events. Teachers and students were so happy with this result.

We congratulate makers, students and teachers from Clusius College to develop this project and to make it so successful. It shows that also a jury with experts recognized the importance of the NIK project.

In a few weeks, the students and teachers will be welcomed in the town hall of the city of Alkmaar for an official event with the local government.

This prize generated a lot of exposure. See also the website www.newcomerskitchen.eu. It is a good example for other partners to make students and teachers so motivated; the perfect basis for learning. It also creates respect for each other, also for newcomers

Please, if you have the opportunity to participate in such an event or to create another public activity, it will give a good contribution to the dissemination of NIK, also when the project has finished.



The class received the prize from astronaut Andre Kuipers (r)