**We now know the results of the eighth edition of the Smart Book of the Year 2022**

**- a competition for the best popular science book of the past year**

*Alien Oceans: The Search for Life in the Depths of Space*, *Survival of the Friendliest: Understanding Our Origins and Rediscovering Our Common Humanity* and *Złoty pociąg i inne największe zagadki historii sztuki w Polsce* – these are the titles that have been selected as the Smart Books of the Year 2022. On 25 May at 4 p.m., as part of the "Copernicus Festival 2022: Cosmos!" event, the results of the competition for the best popular science book published or translated into Polish last year were announced.

The Gala was hosted by Wojciech S. Wocław. The 15 nominated books (the list of which can be found here: <http://madraksiazkaroku.pl/nominacje/>) competed in four categories. Below we present the results:

* **The main Award for the Smart Book of the Year 2021** – Kevin Peter Hand,*Alien Oceans: The Search for Life in the Depths of Space*, Polish translation:Zuzanna Lamża, Copernicus Center PressPublishing House.
* **The main Award for the Children’s Smart Book of the Year 2021** – Łucja Malec-Kornajew, *Złoty pociąg i inne największe zagadki historii sztuki w Polsce*, ilustr. Aleksandra Gołębiewska, Znak Emotikon Publishing House.
* **Jagiellonian University Academic Community Award -** Brian Hare, Vanessa Woods, *Survival of the Friendliest: Understanding Our Origins and Rediscovering Our Common Humanity*, Polish translation: Kasper Kalinowski, Copernicus Center PressPublishing House.
* **Public Choice Award organized by Gazeta Wyborcza -** Łucja Malec-Kornajew, *Złoty pociąg i inne największe zagadki historii sztuki w Polsce*, ilustr. Aleksandra Gołębiewska, Znak Emotikon Publishing House.

The main awards were granted by the Jury consisting of: Professor Stanisław Kistryn (Jagiellonian University), Doctor Monika A. Koperska (The Spokesman of Science, MAK Art & Science Productions), Doctor Kamil Kopij (Jagiellonian University, Smart Books), Michał Olszewski (“Gazeta Wyborcza” magazine), Marta Seweryn (Carbon Footprint Foundation), Aleksandra Stanisławska (Crazy Science), Leszek Szumlas (Smart Books), Marta Alicja Trzeciak (Smart Books and the Experyment Science Centre in Gdynia).

For the third time, Smart Book had its own series of events at the Copernicus Festival, which included 2 meetings. The programme is presented below.

**24.05, at 4 p.m.**

Results of the competition for secondary schools for the best advertisement of the book nominated in the Smart Book of the Year 2022 competition

**25.05, at 4 p.m.**

The Smart Book of the Year 2022 Gala

The organiser of the event is Jagiellonian University - the owner of the Smart Books website. This year's partners are: Copernicus Festival, “Gazeta Wyborcza” magazine, Strategic Programme “Excellence Initiative” at Jagiellonian University, De Revolutionibus Books and Café Nauka website.