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To all 2024 EWC RANA applicants

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As you know, the R-Adhikarya 'Niche' Award (RANA) is granted to young people who have developed disruptive ideas, display innovative, "niche" thinking, and who plan to follow up on these in their studies and future careers. It expressly recognizes that daring to think differently is crucial to solving important contemporary problems and/or future societal needs.

Unfortunately, no RANA awardee will be named for 2024. Despite there being a number of very impressive individuals in the applicant pool, there was not sufficient alignment between those receiving either the Graduate Degree Fellowships or the Foundation Scholarship at EWC (a prerequisite for being eligible for RANA) and RANA's stated requirements and purpose.

On behalf of the selection committee, I wish you the best of luck in your future endeavours.

Kind regards,

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