

## **Manresa, City of Science and Innovation**

Manresa has received the “City of Science and Innovation” designation, awarded first time by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation. This award recognises the city's effort in and commitment to research, development and innovation, and its contribution to making changes in the productive model on a local level.

With this title, Manresa has become part of the network of Cities of Science and Innovation, which involves attractive benefits such as: participation in co-operation projects with other member cities; international promotion at events associated with R&D&i and knowledge-based developments; and preferential consideration in the bid for state-owned or state-participated scientific and technological installations, among others.

This is the first time that such an award has been given. The designation lasts for a three-year period and can be renewed according to the city's activities during this time. In this first edition of the award, the title brings with it funding from the State Fund for Local Employment and Sustainability for the city's innovative projects. One of the many activities that Manresa is currently carrying out includes the construction of the future Espai Motor building in the Parc Central technological park.

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