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Ph.D. Thesis Award Guidelines

This document contains information and guidelines for Ph.D. Thesis Award applicants, within the 2026 EuCNC & 6G Summit.

Goal

The goal of the Ph.D. Thesis Award is to provide an opportunity for Ph.D. Graduates to show their ideas and work to the conference audience and beyond (i.e., via the conference communication activities, these ideas will be shown to a wider audience). This is an opportunity for Ph.D. Graduates to showcase their work to the technical community worldwide as well as to industry leaders, increasing the visibility of their work and enabling networking around it, as well as fostering job market opportunities and career progression.

Application

The application for the Ph.D. Thesis Award should follow the call available at the conference website, under “Authors / Call for Ph.D. Thesis Award” (<https://www.eucnc.eu/authors/call-for-ph-d-thesis-award>), indicating the following information:

- Applicant’s Name
- Applicant’s Institution
- Applicant’s Email
- Applicant’s Phone Number
- Applicant’s CV
- Ph.D. Thesis Title
- Copy of Ph.D. Thesis
- Copy of Ph.D. Certificate

Ph.D. Graduates who have successfully defended their thesis in the last 3 academic years (2022 Sep. 1st – 2025 Aug. 31st) can apply to the award.

The application should be submitted via the dedicated online form, available at <https://www.eucnc.eu/authors/call-for-ph-d-thesis-award>, until 2026 Mar. 27th. In case there are problems with the online submission form, contact the conference secretariat via the online contact form, available at <https://www.eucnc.eu/authors/call-for-ph-d-thesis-award>.

Evaluation

The following criteria will be taken into consideration for the evaluation of applications:

1. Relevance
2. Novelty
3. Methodology
4. Quality.

A Jury, composed of professors and industry representatives, will select the 5 best applications, i.e., finalists.

The list of applicants and of finalists will be announced to applicants and posted at the conference website on 2026 May 4th.

Finalists Presentation

Finalists will be invited to the conference, to give a 10-minute pitch in-person to the Jury as well as to conference attendees, in a dedicated Ph.D. Theses Pitch session.

Finalists will have to confirm their presence in the Ph.D. Theses Pitch session. Their absence from this session will eliminate them from the Award.

The Ph.D. Theses Pitch session will be held during the conference programme, in parallel to other technical sessions, i.e., on 2026 June 3rd to 5th.

The Award will be announced during the conference.

Public information

The following information will be made public:

- Applicant's Name
- Applicant's Institution
- Ph.D. Thesis Title

Award

The Award will be composed of a Certificate and a Prize of 2 000 €.

Registration

Regarding registration of finalists:

- If attendance is only for the day of the session, the person gets a complimentary One Day Registration (R-3-O).
- If attendance is for more than the day of the session, the person will have to pay for a regular registration.

Finalists will have to bear their own travel expenses to the conference to present their thesis at the Ph.D. Theses Pitch session.