The IEEE Australia Council
2017 Postgraduate Student Paper Contest

Contest Rules

Approval
The postgraduate student paper contest in its current form was approved at the Australia Council meeting on the 21st of November 2017.

Eligibility
The contest is open to all Postgraduate IEEE student members in an Australian Section. The papers may be on any subject in the field of interest of the IEEE’s Societies or Councils. Eligibility of papers will be determined according to the following rules:

- The student must be the paper’s first author and principle contributor
- The combined contributions from other co-authors should not be more than 50%. The student must outline the contribution of each author, including an indication of the estimated contribution from each co-author.
- The papers can belong in any of the following categories (there is no separation between categories in the judging process):
  o Papers never previously published;
  o Papers submitted to an IEEE conference in the current year;
  o Papers submitted to an IEEE journal in the current year
- Papers that have been submitted to an IEEE conference or journal must only submit the original version. That is, the version prior to feedback from reviewers or editors.
- The first author must be a current student member of the IEEE
- The paper must be associated with a correctly completed entry form

Submissions
Papers must be submitted electronically, and entry details completed electronically via the IEEE Australia Council web page before the closing date of January 30th.

Format
Submissions must follow the standard IEEE Transactions template available at
http://ieeauthorcenter.ieee.org/create-your-ieee-article/use-authoring-tools-and-ieee-article-templates/ieee-article-templates/templates-for-transactions/

Judging
Papers will be evaluated and judged based on the detailed rubric available from the IEEE Australia Council website where:

- Written presentation is worth 40%
- Subject matter is worth 60%
Each section will be responsible for providing members to serve on the judging panel. A member of the judging panel may not evaluate a paper from the same section. Judging panel members must declare any possible conflicts of interest when evaluating a paper.

Members of the IEEE Australia Council committee are ineligible to serve as members of the judging panel.

The judging panel will represent a cross section of various disciplines within the IEEE, with a record of experience in written and oral communication of ideas.

**Prizes**

1\textsuperscript{st} Prize - $500 and a certificate

2\textsuperscript{nd} Prize - $200 and a certificate

3\textsuperscript{rd} Prize – a certificate

In order to receive the prize the local section may ask that the winners present their work at their local section meeting.

It is the responsibility of the first author to divide the prize money with any co-authoring IEEE student members should it be required.

The decision by the judging panel, as accepted by the Australia Council Chair, will be the final decision and no appeal against the decision will be entertained.

Results will be announced between May and July.