INPROFORUM AWARDS 2026

Competition Rules for the Best Research Paper by PhD Students

1. Purpose of the Competition

The competition aims to recognize high-quality, original and valuable research papers by doctoral students presented at the INPROFORUM conference.

2. Eligibility

Only duly accepted papers presented at the conference are eligible, provided that the presenting author is a PhD student. Each paper competes in the conference section to which it has been assigned.

3. Evaluation of Papers

The expert committee (60%) evaluates originality, scientific contribution, methodological quality, practical applicability and quality of the paper. Conference participants (40%) evaluate the relevance of the topic, contribution of the findings, practical applicability and clarity of the presentation.

Papers are rated on a scale of 1–5 (5 = highest). Participants vote electronically using the QR codes for individual papers, which they received at conference registration or can find on the conference website under “Compettition of PhD”. Participants may rate only presentations they attended, once per paper, and may not rate their own paper.

4. Ranking

Final score = 0.60 × expert committee score + 0.40 × participant score. Rankings are determined separately for each conference section. In the event of a tie, the higher expert committee score prevails.

5. Awards

The three highest-ranked competing papers in each conference section will receive book-purchase vouchers:

1st place – book-purchase voucher worth CZK 3,000

2nd place – book-purchase voucher worth CZK 2,000

3rd place – book-purchase voucher worth CZK 1,000

6. Final Provisions

The organizer will verify the validity of votes and announce the results. The titles and authors of the awarded papers will be published. These rules are subject to approval by the INPROFORUM conference organizing committee.