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VSB - Technical University of Ostrava within the consortium PROGRES 3 announces a Competition for the best dissertation defended in 2016.

The competition will take place in two rounds.

1st round

The first round of the competition will take place internally at universities, that can into the the second round of competition to choose a maximum of 2 dissertation in each category (ie. Up to 10 doctoral theses in total).

Categories:

- 1. Economics and finance,
- 2. Raw materials, energy and the environment
- 3. Health and applications in healthcare
- 4. Information Technology,
- 5. Competitive Engineering, Materials Research

Conditions:

Registered dissertation must be defended in the period from 1. 1. 2016 to 31. 12.
2016.

(In exceptional cases, the work can be defended in December 2015).

- Must be submitted:
 - application form
 - o a printed version of the dissertation (sufficient eg. spiral binding).
 - An electronic version of the dissertation (format .pdf, or .docx)

¹ The organizer reserves the right to change the rules of action, duration, the amount of remuneration, as well as the cancellation of the event without giving any reason.

- o a printed version of the summary of the dissertation in English language
- An electronic version of the summary of the dissertation (format .pdf, or .docx)

Application form, the dissertation and the summary of the dissertation must be submitted to the administrator of the competition into 22. 2. 2017 (including).

The administrator of the competition:

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Administrators of the consortium PROGRESS 3 of participating universities will report into 22. 2. 2017 to administrator of the competition (lukas.kubac@vsb.cz) their expert representative for the commission, which will attend the final selection of dissertations in the second round of the competition. In the individual categories, each university may have one representative (with respect to the specific specialization the university = it is not necessary to have a representative in each category).

(Note.: If it is possible, member of the committee should not be the supervisor of dissertation in the same category. Only recommendations, but not required.)

Dissertation advancing into the second round will be able for commission members for review in electronic form along with summary of the dissertation from 22. 2. 2017.

2nd round of the competition will be held in VSB - TUO on 10. 3. 2017.

Assessment of dissertations performs an expert committee, in which each university may be represented by one expert in each category.

The Commission will meet for assessing levels of dissertations at VSB-TUO of 10. 3. 2016 from 10 AM.

Members of the commission in each category will elect a chairman, who will manage the discussions in that category.

Prizes and awards

- Each of the category winners, whose work is placed on 1st place in category will receive a cash prize of 7.000, CZK.
 - These winners will also receive a diploma at the ceremony of the Scientific Board of VSB TUO, which will be held on 28. 3. 2017
- The authors of dissertations on the 2nd or 3rd place in the category will receive a diploma
- Authors whose dissertation participate in the second round but not placed will receive a certificate for participating their dissertation in the final round of the competition.

The evaluation criteria:

- the quality and originality of the work,
- theoretical or practical benefits of doctoral thesis,
- depth of the analysis examined the problem and the methodology used,
- the quality and level of processing of dissetatition.

Requirements for summary of dissertation:

- English language
- the extent at least 15 pages

Recommended structure for summary of dissertation:

- Cover Sheet (name of school and fakulty, designation The summary of the dissertation, the author's name, title of work, name of the study program and field, elaboration year),
- annotation (maximum one page)
- contents,
- an introduction to the issues and the current state of the topic,
- aim of the thesis and used methods of work,
- a brief synopsis of the dissertation,
- results of the dissertation, contribution to the development of theory and social practice,
- the conclusion, suggestions and recommendations,
- list the bibliography.

Schedule of the competition

End of the 1st round 22. 02. 2017 Event the 2 nd round 10. 03. 2017 Ceremonial awarding of diplomas: 28. 03. 2017