



## The conditions of Competition for the Best Dissertation Defended in 2018<sup>1</sup>

VSB - Technical University of Ostrava within the consortium PROGRES 3 announces a Competition for the best dissertation defended in 2018.

The competition will take place in two rounds.

### 1st round

The first round of the competition will take place internally at universities. During this process each university can choose a maximum of 3 dissertations in each category which will continue to the second round (i.e. up to 15 doctoral theses in total).

#### Categories:

1. Economics, Finance and Management
2. Raw Materials, Energy and the Environment
3. Health and Applications in Healthcare
4. Information Technology and Electrical Engineering
5. Competitive Engineering and Materials Research

#### Conditions:

- Registered dissertations must be defended in the period of 1.1. - 31. 12. 2018. *(In exceptional cases, the dissertation can be defended in December 2017).*
- Other documents must be submitted:
  - an application form
  - a printed version of the dissertation *(sufficient eg. spiral binding)*
  - an electronic version of the dissertation *(format .pdf, or .docx)*
  - a printed version of a dissertation summary written in English
  - An electronic version of the dissertation summary *(format .pdf, or .docx)*

<sup>1</sup> 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.

**The application form, the dissertation and its summary must be submitted to the competition administrator **up to 22. 2. 2018** (including).**

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**University administrators will announce the administrator of the competition ([lukas.kubac@vsb.cz](mailto:lukas.kubac@vsb.cz)) the names of committee members for the second round up to 22. 2. 2019.** 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.

The dissertations in the electronic form along with their summaries continuing to the second round will be available to committee members for pre-review.

**2nd round** of the competition will be held in VSB - TUO on 8. 3. 2018.

The nominated dissertations will be evaluated by committees consisting of experts from each category. The committee will meet together for the evaluation at VSB-TU Ostrava on 8. 3. 2019 at 10 o'clock a.m.

Members of each committee will elect a chairman, who will manage the discussions in the committee.

**Prizes and awards**

- Each of the category winners, whose work is placed on the 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-TU Ostrava, which will be held on 28. 3. 2019
- The authors of dissertations on the 2nd or 3rd place in each category will receive diplomas.
- Authors, whose dissertation participated in the second round but were not placed at the 1.-3. positions, will receive a certificate of participating in the competition.

**The evaluation criteria:**

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

## Requirements for summary of dissertation:

- **The English language**
- extent of at least 15 pages

## Recommended structure for summary of dissertation:

- Cover Sheet (name of school and faculty, 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,
- a list of references.

## Schedule of the competition

End of the 1st round	22. 02. 2019
The 2nd round	8. 03. 2019
Diplomas giving ceremony:	28. 03. 2019

**After the competition, the results will be published on PROGRES 3 website:**

<http://progres3.vsb.cz/en/news/>