

Best Master Thesis Contest

2024

Regulations

Regulation 1

The Belgian Physical Society (BPS) awards annually three Scientific Prizes to reward the best master thesis in the field of physics.

Regulation 2

Each of these prizes is 100 EUROS.

Regulation 3

Candidates must be members of the BPS. They must have obtained a master degree or a degree in engineering at a university in Belgium with a thesis in the field of physics defended in 2023. A thesis can be submitted only once.

Regulation 4

Candidates are asked to send the following documents to bps.master.prize@gmail.com not later than December 15, 2023:

- a CV of the candidate
- an electronic copy (pdf format) of the master thesis
- a summary not longer than 2 pages,
- and the attached application form duly completed.

Regulation 5

Submitted theses are reviewed by independent referees. The Board of the Belgian Physical Society will then select the winning theses on basis of their reports. The Board may decide to not award all the three Scientific Prizes. The decision of the Board is irrevocable.

Regulation 6

The prizes will be announced at the annual International Scientific Meeting 2024 of the Belgian Physical Society on May 29, 2024, at the VUB.

Regulation 7

Winners accept to write a paper about their thesis for the BPS journal before receiving the award. This article is intended for a broad audience of physicists and therefore should not be too technical. The paper will be reviewed by the BPS board before being published. It should meet standard quality criteria for scientific publication. If modifications are deemed necessary, the authors have one month to provide the BPS with an appropriately revised version of their manuscript, to receive the prize.

The deadline for submission of this paper is **November 25, 2024**. Extensions of this deadline can be exceptionally granted on request, but any paper submitted later than end April 2025 will no longer be considered, and the prize will be lost.