

Request for Nomination must include-

1. Curriculum Vitae (CV), which must be one page. It should include name, email address, expected month, and year of graduation. Further, it should include a short abstract (<500 words) with an abstract title, author affiliation, and advisor details (name, email, and affiliation).
2. One slide PowerPoint presentation in PDF format with details as outlined below-

a. Thesis Pitch presentation format:

One slide PowerPoint presentation - You will be given a specific **3-minute time slot** to present your work, followed by a **3-minute question and answer period** from judges. We suggest that your presentation include a summary of the significance of the problem, your unique research contribution, key findings, and future work. **Please do not include any animation or video on the slide.** Top presentation awards will be announced on 31st Dec 2023. **It should be in a 16:9 aspect ratio converted to pdf with the following naming convention - Fullname_University__ThesisPitch.pdf**

b. Motivation, Contribution, and Content:

- Did the presentation clearly state the motivation for the work, along with the societal need?
- Did the presentation articulate the contribution of the research and how insights generated from the work will impact the field?
- Were the thesis topic, key results, and research significance communicated clearly to a non-specialist audience?

c. Presentation Style and Engagement:

- Did the speaker convey enthusiasm for their research?
- Did the speaker have sufficient stage presence, eye contact, and vocal range; maintain a steady pace, and have a confident stance?
- Did the PowerPoint slide enhance the presentation - was it clear, legible, and concise?
- Was the speaker able to successfully address questions from the audience?