Procedures VvE Oral Presentation Award

Who can apply for this award?

All researchers/scientists (both VvE members as non-members) can apply for the VvE Oral *Presentation Award*. Exclusions for the *VvE Oral Presentation* Award are: abstracts of keynote speakers at the WEON and nominated students for the *VvE Student Award*.

How to apply?

The researcher must be first author of the abstract. The abstract must be submitted on time (before abstract deadline of WEON). More information can be found on www.weon.nl. The researcher must register for WEON as *early bird*.

Nomination of abstract before WEON presentation

The organizing committee will assess and select the abstracts for nomination of the VvE Oral Presentation Award. The methodology of the submitted abstract is a main criterion for nomination. The organizing committee will determine how many researchers will be nominated with a maximum of 6 nominations possible. The organizing committee will hand over the list of nominated researchers to the secretariat of the VvE. All nominated researchers will be contacted by the secretariat at the latest 5 weeks in advance of the WEON. Nominated researchers (first author of abstract) present the research themselves at the WEON. The secretariat of the VvE sends all details (names nominated researchers, date and time of the presentations, plus the abstracts to all jury members.

Planning presentations

The organizing committee of the WEON will determine whether a separate presentation session will be held or whether the researchers will be divided to a session close to the content of the abstract. In case a separate session will be organized, the chair of the jury will lead this session.

Assessment of presentations

Every nominated researcher will be invited to hold a 10 minute presentation, followed by 5 minutes of discussion. The student will be assessed on the content of the presentation, the structure and flow of the presentation, the way of presenting and discussion (See assessment form presentation). For all aspects, the maximum score is 10 (excellent). These scores will guide the jury to come to a final mark. After the special presentation session for nominated researchers or after the last presentation, the jury will discuss and decide together the winner of the Oral Presentation Award.

Jury

The jury will consist of 3 members (senior researchers). The chair will be a senior researcher form the organizing committee. The other 2 members will be from the WEON organizing committee of last year and the upcoming year. Preferably, a diverse and balanced jury will be selected based on background and expertise. All jury members will grade all selected abstracts and presentations according to the predefined criteria (See assessment form abstract) and select a winner after consensus. The jury will write a short report for each contestant. In all selection parts, the jury members should be unrelated and have no disclosures with the nominee.

Award

The award (a framed certificate), bouquet flowers, and a monetary check of €250,- will be handed over at the WEON. The chair ensures that the jury report will be read out loud during the award ceremony and handed over to the winning student. The photographer will take pictures of the winning student for Epistel – the quarterly VvE magazine. These will be published together with the winning abstract.