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# Dear Colleagues

We would like to advise you that the time schedule of the *Crystals* Best Ph.D. Thesis Award has been updated, the application deadline has been extended to 1 September 2022.

The journal *Crystals* (MDPI, Switzerland, ISSN 2073-4352, https://www.mdpi.com/journal/crystals) is inviting applications for the *Crystals* 2022 Best Ph.D. Thesis Award. This prize will be awarded to a Ph.D. student who is about to graduate or participate in the graduation thesis defense. The applications will be assessed by an evaluation committee consisting of senior scholars from the *Crystals* Editorial Board.

# **Eligibility Requirements:**

- 1. The candidate must be a Ph.D. student who is going to graduate or participate in graduation thesis defense.
- 2. The Ph.D. thesis must be original work.
- 3. The Ph.D. thesis must be defended between 1 September, 2020, and 31 August, 2022.
- 4. Applicants are required to submit the following documents:
- An executive summary of the Ph.D. thesis in English, of around 3000 words;
- A letter from the Ph.D. supervisor recommending the candidate for consideration for this award;
- The candidate's CV, including a list of publications connected with the thesis;
- An electronic copy of the Ph.D. thesis;
- A scanned copy of the Ph.D. diploma.

## **Selection Criteria:**

- Quality of resume and publications.
- Relevance of the candidate and research description.
- Novelty of the candidate's Ph.D. thesis.
- Strength of the recommendation letter.
- Anticipated academic potential.
- Originality and impact of the research.

### **Prizes:**

- Bonus (CHF 500).
- Certificate.
- Offer to publish a featured paper in *Crystals* with the article processing charge (APC) waived before the end of 2023.

### How to apply?

Please submit your application online.

The application deadline is 1 September 2022. The winner will be announced on the *Crystals* website in 30 September 2022.

Please feel free to contact us at crystals@mdpi.com if you have any questions.

