CEN/TC 287 AWARD for Excellence in INSPIRE - 2012

The CEN/TC 287 Annual Award for Academic Excellence within the INSPIRE community welcomes applications from students attending academic institutions within Europe. This award, now in its second year, aims to promote academic excellence within the European geospatial community, specifically in development of interoperability standards. CEN/TC 287 seeks to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of students and their mentors in the area of geospatial interoperability and data sharing. The award is open to all students undertaking a development or research project in geospatial information. The successful candidate with the winning submission will receive €2000. The student mentor will receive €1000.
This year the award is sponsored by SPARX SYSTEMS Pty Ltd.

Administrative process and timeline

1) Complete the intention to participate form by **30th September 2011** and send electronically, along with a completed Mentor agreement from your Faculty Mentor to award@gistandards.eu

    Applications received up until **31st October 2011** may still be considered.

2) By **15th November 2011** submit an abstract of approximately 500 words, outlining your project to award@gistandards.eu You will be contacted within 30 days and advised whether you have been accepted to proceed to the next stage.

3) Selected candidates will then be invited to submit their **completed** project by **31st March 2012.** The winning candidate will be informed no later than **8th May 2012**. The award will be presented at the 2012 INSPIRE conference.

4) The final paper shall be submitted electronically to: award@gistandards.eu

The paper must be critiqued and meet the approval of your Faculty Mentor prior to final submission. The final submission must include an evaluation or assessment of the project by the Faculty Mentor.

Criteria

The received proposals will be reviewed and ranked (both for stage 1 and the final proposals) based on the following criteria:

a) originality (i.e. novelty, degree of innovation);
b) technical quality (i.e. thoroughness, completeness, identification of issues and recommended solutions);
c) relevance to the scope of INSPIRE;
d) relevance to standardization in the field of geospatial information;
e) use of UML (Enterprise Architect is available at no cost for the purpose of this award)
f) presentation (i.e. clarity, readability).

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Intention to participate

Please complete this form and return to award@gistandards.eu by 30th September 2011. Students who notify us of their intention to participate by 30th September 2011 will receive a copy of the Enterprise Architecture Modeling for UML tool to assist with their project. Students making application up until 31st October 2011, may still be considered eligible to participate.. Please note a working title is sufficient at this stage.

Student Name:	
Email :	
Academic Institution:	
Course Title	
Mentor Name:	
Email:	
Proposal title:	
Date:	

In order to progress your application, please complete all details, ensuring that your mentor is in agreement with your application and has enclosed the Mentor agreement.

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Mentor Agreement

I, …………………………………agree to mentor my student…………………………………………….. I have read and accepted the terms of the Award and agree to provide an endorsement and critique of the student's work if he or she is successful in achieving the final stages of the award process.

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<u>Abstract submission by 15th November 2011</u>

In a maximum of 500 words describe your project <u>including</u>, but not limited to the:

 a) project title, scope and goal;
 b) description of how the project will proceed from beginning to end;
 c) list of geospatial standards, including INSPIRE Implementing Rules and Guidelines and how they will be applied in order to achieve your project goal;
 d) anticipated innovation related to the approach or the result.

Please send your abstract in both PDF and WORD (or similar) and completed cover sheet to award@gistandards.eu by **15th November 2011.** Successful students proceeding to the final stage will be notified by **15/12/2011.**

Information for successful candidates proceeding to the final stage

<u>Student requirement</u>

<u>The student must fully complete the cover page. The paper shall include no reference to either the individual student, mentor or academic institution by name</u>

 1. The paper must be provided for critique to your Mentor in the first instance.
 2. After recommended changes have been made to your Mentor's satisfaction the final paper must be submitted electronically as directed above by 31st March 2012.
 3. The final paper should be a maximum of 10,000 words. It should be presented in both PDF and WORD (or similar) format. Submit to award@gistandards.eu
 4. Submissions must include an evaluation or assessment of the project by the Faculty Mentor.

<u>Mentor requirement</u>

 1. A statement of endorsement is required from the Faculty Mentor upon submission of this application.
 2. The endorsement shall include a statement in support of the project and the student's ability to succeed, as well as an agreement to complete the final paper review and submit a final evaluation of the project.
 3. This endorsement should be submitted via email to: award@gistandards.eu

By submitting this application and the subsequent paper, the author grants CEN/TC 287 and INSPIRE the non-exclusive right to post, publish or disseminate the work.

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Cover   sheet

All students submitting an abstract and final paper must complete this cover sheet and enclose it with their work. Please remember that   submissions should not include any reference to the student, mentor or academic institution.

Student name:	
Date of birth:	
Course title:	
Year of study:	
Name of educational institution:	
Country:	
Mentor name:	

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