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LOGISTICS RESEARCH COMPETITION

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PARTICIPANTS SHORT GUIDE

The **LOGISTICS RESEARCH COMPETITION** is a students' competition that focuses on showcasing their problem-solving capacity, sharing knowledge and exchanging ideas, improving their communication and developing their analytical skills on several logistics related areas.

The duration of the competition will be taking place within period (September 2019 – December 2019), through which students will undertake research for a project of interest (the list of topics will be published in advance).

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

The competition is open to 4th and final year bachelor students in any discipline as group project (not more than 4 students). A project supervisor can be academic, or industry advisors should be allocated to the team and approval must be submitted. The supervisor shall remain throughout the project supporting the student (to coach and mentor). They must **NOT** be listed as co-authors and should not be involved in the project in any other role to that of the advisor/ coach/ mentor.

OUR MISSION

- To give graduate students the opportunity to share their ideas and research outcomes, which will help to provide visibility for their work.
- To give students the opportunity to meet and interact with logistics companies and experts to share ideas, gain industry insights, and understand possible practical applications.
- To give students an opportunity to sharpen their communication skills.
- To provide detailed feedback to students about their research and presentation, from a panel of distinguished judges from industry and academia.
- To recognize and reward outstanding student research.

PROPOSAL AND TEAM SUBMISSIONS

- All applications must be submitted in English.
- The Research topic must be related to the main logistics priority areas.
- Teams must not more than four undergraduate students (in Forth or Final academic year).
- Team members can be from the same institute (but can be enrolled in different disciplines).
- There is no limit on the number of teams competing from the same institute.
- The teams must demonstrate innovative use of logistics concepts in the analysis of the case.
- Each team must have one industry or academic supervisor. The supervisor shall remain throughout the project supporting the student (to coach and mentor). They must NOT be listed as co-authors and should not be involved in the project in any other role to that of the advisor/ coach/ mentor.

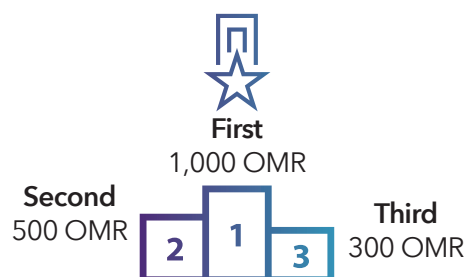## PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To participate in the competition, the students should align with their supervisor and submit a research abstract electronically using the submission page.
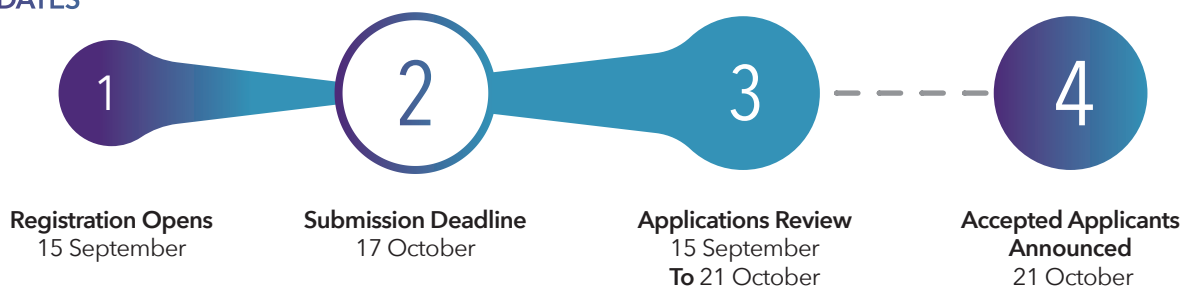
SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Proposals are due by Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 12:00 PM, and submitted through the online form.

AWARD

The award for this competition will be provided by Oman Logistics Center. The winning teams will be awarded with a monetary award.

First
1,000 OMR

Second
500 OMR

Third
300 OMR

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KEY DATES

1 — **Registration Opens**
15 September

2 — **Submission Deadline**
17 October

3 — **Applications Review**
15 September
To 21 October

4 — **Accepted Applicants Announced**
21 October

The selected projects will go later through **ROUND ONE** which they will filtered to continues the **ROUND TWO** and then final ceremony.

ROUND 2: POSTER PRESENTATION

The selected top teams will go to the second phase of the competition. They will be allowed to present their findings on a poster in a short, concise and creative format, to convince the audience of the value of their findings, through a concrete analysis and evaluation of data/ collected information. The top three winners will be announced at the final Ceremony. (Deliverables must be submitted).

More details will be sent to the selected teams.

ROUND 1: RESEARCH TALK

All selected teams will present their research and the updates concerned problem/ issue and the related background research so far undertaken. Additionally, the quality of their oral and visual presentation will be considered. The judges will select the Top research projects to advance to the second round of the competition. (Deliverables must be submitted).

More details will be sent to the selected teams.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The evaluation of proposals will be guided by academic, industry experts and research centers. The selection criteria of proposal include the following broad guidelines:

- Identify the team members and supervisor involved in the project.
- Quality of the proposed research topic objectives, appeal of the topic, and methodology.
- Experience and aptitude of the advisor and students to deliver on the project and to produce an interesting output.
- Relevance, novelty, and suitability for the result to be published in the form determined by the submitter.
- Awareness of research limitations and timeline.
- Clarity of the written proposal including proper use of grammar.

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