

## **Best Poster Presentation Competition Regulations:**

### **The 25th Sede Boqer Symposium on Solar Electricity Production**

#### **1. Definitions**

- **1.1 "Competition Organizers":** The symposium chairs, Prof. Eugene Katz, Prof. Iris Visoly-Fisher, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
- **1.2 "Competition":** A competition conducted by the Competition Organizers in which symposium attendants may present original posters describing their research in the field of "Renewable Energy".
- **1.3 "Competition Participant":** Anyone who pre-registered to present a poster during the symposium, and is the lead author and presenter of the poster.
- **1.4 "The Winner":** A participant whose poster was selected as the winner according to the regulations and by the Judging Committee. The winner's name and institutional affiliation will be published in various channels as decided by the Competition Organizers.
- **1.5 "Judging Committee":** During the poster presentation sessions, the committee will select the winning poster.
- **1.6 "The Prize":** The winning poster, in accordance with the regulations, will grant the lead author (listed as first author) a monetary prize: 1<sup>st</sup> prize: 1,000 NIS, 2nd prize: 500 NIS, 3rd prize: 300 NIS.
- **1.7 "Participation in the Competition":** Will be executed by displaying the poster at the symposium by attaching it to a designated felt board before the poster session. The lead author must personally present the poster at the display board to the Judging Committee and other interested participants during the listed lunch break.

#### **2. Terms of Participation**

- **2.1** Participating posters must be original. All copyrights, including reproduction rights, moral rights, and usage rights—including the right to use images of people or other elements subject to rights within the framework of this competition—must be owned by the poster's authors.
- **2.2** The Judging Committee will select the winner from the posters actually displayed at the seminar, based on the originality of the research, its relevance to the symposium topics, and the quality of the graphic and oral presentation.

Selection is at the sole discretion of the Judging Committee; the Committee members are not required to justify their decision, and participants shall have no claim or demand regarding this matter.

- **2.3** Sole responsibility for the accuracy of personal details lies with the participant. By participating, the participant confirms they have read and accepted these regulations. Even if they have not read them, they agree that these regulations are binding.
- **2.4** The participant must be present in the lecture hall during the winner announcement. If a participant is not present, their win will be cancelled.
- **2.5** The participants approve that their participation/win may be covered or published in various media, including social media and the Symposium website.
- **2.6** Participation is prohibited for members of the Judging Committee.

### **3. General**

- **3.1** The Competition Organizers reserve the right to cancel, stop, or change any terms of the competition at their sole discretion. Changes will be published on the seminar website.
- **3.2** By registering, the participant releases the Competition Organizers from any claim/demand related directly or indirectly to the competition or the prize.
- **3.3** The Competition Organizers are not responsible for any damage, malfunction, or defect related to the competition or prize. The organization's total liability shall not exceed the value of the prize (1,000 NIS).
- **3.4** The competition is governed by the laws of the State of Israel.
- **3.5** Any dispute shall be brought exclusively before a court in the Southern District.
- **3.6** Force Majeure: Neither party may claim compensation for delays due to unforeseen events beyond their control.

### **4. Copyrights**

- **4.1** Participants declare that their participation is subject to the present regulations and that any image or poster content submitted is their own original creation and does not infringe upon the copyrights of any third party. The responsibility for the submitted content rests solely with the presenter. Owners of the content warrant that they have not used any third-party copyrighted content without obtaining proper permission. Participants are responsible for ensuring

there is no violation of other proprietary rights (such as moral rights, privacy rights, or otherwise) regarding the submitted works. It is clarified that the Organizers are not responsible for any infringement of copyrights or third-party rights caused by the participant and will bear no liability in the event of a lawsuit. If AI tools were used to create the work, the participant warrants that they hold a valid license for every AI tool used and will indemnify (compensate) the Organizers for any third-party claims that may arise as a result.

- **4.2** Viewing the posters displayed in the competition does not grant the viewers with any rights of use, permission to copy, distribute, reproduce, modify, or publish the works unless explicit permission has been received from the rights holder. All copyrights remain reserved to the respective owners of the works. It is strictly forbidden to photograph, reproduce, or distribute the posters displayed at the competition through any communication medium—including digital media, social networks, or any other means—without the prior consent of the rights holder or written authorization from the Competition Organizers. The competition organizers bear no liability for any such violations by third parties. In the event that spectators photograph or distribute the works without permission, the spectators themselves shall be held solely responsible for any copyright infringement that may occur.

## **5. Privacy Protection**

- **5.1** Registration data will be used solely for managing the competition, notifying winners, and awarding prizes.
- **5.2** Participants have the right to access, correct, or delete their registration data as per the law by contacting: [sbsolarsymposium@bgu.ac.il](mailto:sbsolarsymposium@bgu.ac.il) .