



# REGULATION

## Awards Annual CICS-UBI Symposium

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#### Article 1 - Purpose

The present regulation aims to define the general conditions for the attribution of the Annual CICS-UBI Symposium Awards. These Awards are given to Young Researchers, who participate in the International CICS-UBI Symposium, as a result of recognition of their ability to communicate and discuss results. The main objective is to encourage Young Researchers to continue their research work, valuing rigor in scientific communication, capacity for discussion and critical vision.

#### Article 2 - Scope

1. The “Annual CICS-UBI Symposium Awards” are awarded annually, on the Annual CICS-UBI Symposium, in three different modalities, namely:

- a) **Best Short Communication by a PhD student or researcher with a master’s degree**
- b) **Best Flash Communication by a MSc or undergraduate student**
- c) **Best Poster**

2. The awards for the "Best Short Communication", the "Best Flash Communication" and the "Best Poster" will be awarded to the works that present the highest classification, according to the evaluation criteria of this Regulation.

3. The monetary awards, different for each of the categories, and whose value will be fixed annually according to the sponsorships raised, are intended for the best communications presented by Students/Young Investigators who participate in the Annual CICS-UBI Symposium, with the research work framed in a of the Thematic Sessions of the Symposium.

#### Article 3 - Eligibility Criteria

The eligibility criteria for admission to the competition, within the scope of the award of the “Annual CICS-UBI Symposium Awards”:

**A. With regard to the participants:**

- i. Students in integrated study cycles, second study cycles and third study cycles are eligible.
- ii. Integrated study cycle students must be enrolled, at least, in the fourth curricular year.
- iii. The student must be supervised by a professor or Doctoral Researcher with links to higher education, health or research centers, public or private.
- iv. Students attending the third study cycles are eligible for the “Best Short Communication” or “Best Poster” awards.
- v. Researchers with a master’s degree, even if they are not enrolled in third cycles, are eligible for the “Best Short Communication” or “Best Poster” awards.

Students attending integrated study cycles, or second study cycles are eligible for the “Best Flash Communication” or “Best Poster” awards.

**B. Regarding the works presented:**

- i. They must be integrated projects in the scientific areas of the Thematic Sessions of the Annual CICS-UBI Symposium;
- ii. They must be original, resulting from basic, applied or translational research work;
- iii. They may result from the participation of a research team, the prize being awarded to the student who makes the presentation.
- iv. Posters should follow the CICS-UBI template, the dimensions of the poster must be between 85 cm wide and 120 cm high, in vertically lay-out.

**Article 4 - Jury Constitution**

1. The Jury is made up of Professors or Doctoral Researchers, with voting and deliberation powers, invited by the Organizing Committee of the Annual CICS-UBI Symposium.
2. A specific Jury is constituted for each of the categories being evaluated.

**Article 5 - Jury Competencies**

1. It is up to each of the Juries to assess the merits of the students' communications, considering the following evaluation parameters (Tables in annex):

**a) For oral communications:**

- i. Graphic Aspect - 4 points
- ii. Organization, Structure and Clarity of Presentation – 8 points
- iii. Discussion - 7 points
- iv. Compliance with Presentation Time - 1 point

**b) For poster communications:**

- i. Graphic Aspect - 5 points
- ii. Organization and Structure - 5 points
- iii. Clarity of Content – 5 points
- iv. Discussion – 5 points

2. Each Jury appreciates the works of the respective category and finds, among them, the one with the highest score, with a maximum of 20 points, to be awarded.
3. The Jury selects one work in each category, from those indicated in Article 2 of these Regulations, to be awarded.
4. In case of a tie for first place in each category, the Jury may decide to award the works with the same score, in which case the value of the prize will be divided between the two students who made the respective presentations.

### **Article 6 - Juri Functionality**

1. The Jury is autonomous and competent to deliberate, by simple majority.
2. The Jury's deliberations are final, with no appeal of any kind.
3. Whenever the Jury deems it pertinent, it may request clarification from the candidates.
4. The Jury draws up minutes signed by all its members whenever it meets.

### **Article 7 - Notification and Awards Session**

1. The Jury's decision and the awarding of Prizes takes place at the end of the Annual CICS-UBI Symposium, with the delivery of a Prize Certificate for each awarded category. The value of the prize is then handed over to the winners after confirming the admission conditions and delivering the requested documentation.

### **Article 8 - Omissions**

1. Cases not covered by these Regulations are resolved by the Scientific Committee of the Annual CICS-UBI Symposium.