

Czech Society for Cybernetics and Informatics (ČSKI), whose mission includes development of cybernetics and informatics in the Czech Republic and support of pedagogical activities in related fields, announces the national competition for

Antonín Svoboda Award for the Best Ph.D. Thesis in 2018

Competition rules:

1. The topic of PhD thesis falls within the scope of ČSKI's scientific activities (cybernetics, informatics, and related fields).
2. The thesis was defended in 2018 at a faculty located in the Czech Republic.
3. The submitted applications will be evaluated by a committee of experts nominated by the ČSKI Council.
4. The evaluation process has two rounds.
5. In the first round the committee selects finalists and publishes their names on the website of Antonín Svoboda Award.
6. In the second round the committee selects the Award winner. The committee reserves the right to divide the Award among more applicants or not to select a winner.
7. The winner will present the thesis at the annual ČSKI General Meeting, where she/he will be awarded with diplomas (for her/him and her/his thesis advisor) and a cash award of 25 000 Kč. Furthermore, the winner will be nominated to represent Czech Republic in the [ERCIM Cor Baayen Young Researcher Award](#).

Submission procedure:

1. Download, fill in and sign the application form:
<http://svobodovacena.cz/cena-CSKI-prihlaska.pdf>
2. Submit scanned application form through the [EasyChair system](#) (select „New Submission“; the submission name must be the title of the thesis):
3. Send the following documents to CenaASvobody@utia.cas.cz. In case of excessive size – more than 5MB – it is sufficient to send a URL address that links to the document.
 - a) The thesis in PDF format (together with all the attachments).
 - b) A short web presentation of the thesis in English, which will be available online on the Award website.
 - c) All reviews of the thesis.
 - d) A structured CV together with the list of selected publications.

Main evaluation criteria:

- Quality and originality of the thesis
- Theoretical or practical contribution to a field of research
- Professional profile of the applicant

Important dates:

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| 14 Dec 2018 | Call for applications |
| 15 Feb 2019 | Application submission deadline |
| 30 Apr 2019 | Announcement of finalists |
| 2018 | Award ceremony |