

Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition Terms and Conditions

1. By entering the 3MT competition (the “Competition”), the participants agree to be bound by these Terms and Conditions (“The Terms”).
2. The participation to the Competition is free and does not require from participants any purchase obligation.
3. The Competition is organised and operated by LuxDoc a.s.b.L, having its registered office at 27, Rue des Cigales, L-1336 Luxembourg, and registered with the Trade and Companies Register of Luxembourg under number F 8792 (the “Organizer”). The prizes are sponsored by the University of Luxembourg and the associated DESCOM project, the Luxembourg Institute of Health (LIH), the Luxembourg Institute of Science and Technology (LIST) and the Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research (LISER), hereinafter referred to as the “Sponsors”.
4. The Competition is being held on the LuxDoc website (<https://luxdoc.uni.lu/3mt>). The composition of the Jury is available here: luxdoc.uni.lu/judge-panel
5. The Organizer reserve the right to cancel or amend the Competition, or these Terms at any time without prior notice.
6. In the event of any dispute regarding conduct, results and all other matters relating to the Competition, the decision of the organizers will be final and no correspondence or discussion shall be entered into.

Section 1 – Participation Rules and Registration for the Competition

1. To be eligible to participate in the Competition, participants must complete the registration process on the following website: <https://luxdoc.uni.lu/3mt>.
2. Entries are open to individuals who are currently doctoral students and who for the purposes of their doctoral studies are associated to or in connection with either
 - the University of Luxembourg, or
 - Luxembourg-based research institute certified to issue doctoral degrees
3. Participants from all countries are eligible to participate.
4. By registering to the Competition, you hereby warrant that all information submitted by you is true, current and complete.
5. We assume that by using our site and entering the Competition (and you warrant that) you have legal capacity to enter the Competition and agree to the Terms (i.e. that you are of sufficient age and mental capacity and are entitled to be legally bound in contract).
6. We reserve the right to disqualify any Participant if we have reasonable grounds to believe the

Participant, as entrant to the Competition, has significantly breached any of these terms and conditions.

7. There is no fee payable to you in respect of your involvement in the Competition. There is no purchase requirement to enter the Competition.

8. Signing of a personal data consent form is mandatory for all the Participants to be able to use their video-recorded presentation.

Section 2 - Competition Rules

1. The purpose of this Competition is

- To celebrate the exciting research conducted by doctoral candidates associated with Luxembourg
- To cultivate students' academic, presentation, and research communication skills by having students prepare a 3-minute video in which they effectively explain their research in a language appropriate to a non-specialist audience and by having these videos assessed by an inter-disciplinary panel of experts in scientific communication (as detailed on luxdoc.uni.lu/judge-panel)

The details of the assessment process depend on the number of submission, and LuxDoc reserves the right to perform a pre-screening of submissions before any judges become involved. The selection process set is held secret for evaluation purposes.

The announcement of the selection awardees and will be made publicly available on the Organizer's website to announce the results of the Competition.

For privacy reasons, no other personal data than those available in the video-recorded presentation by a participant as well as in their submission email will be further processed during the selection process.

Section 3 - Awards

1. Awards will be granted to the participants who demonstrate the best results in the Competition as assessed by the jury following the criteria given on <https://luxdoc.uni.lu/3mt>.
2. One first place and two runner ups will be decided by the jury and receive the following prizes
 - a. First place receives 1000 euro
 - b. Both runner ups will receive 700 euros
3. Between the 29th June and the 3rd July a "People's choice" competition will run where anyone associated with the eligible institutions of section 1 part 2 can vote on their favourite video by sending an email to 3mt@uni.lu containing a vote in the format specified at the relevant time on <https://luxdoc.uni.lu/3mt>. The participant who gains the most votes will receive a prize of 500 euro. This can be attained in addition to any jury award.

4. Prize winners will be notified in the manner and within the time specified on the Competition website <https://luxdoc.uni.lu/3mt>. Competition winners will be notified by e-mail, and the results of the Competition will be simultaneously announced publicly.
5. The payment terms and conditions related to the prize awarding will be further specified to each awardee by e-mail notification.
6. Please note that claims for the prizes must be made in the manner and within the time communicated in the correspondence as specified above. Failure to claim a prize within the time or in the manner specified may result in disqualification.
7. We reserve the right, in our absolute discretion, to request a proof of identity in the form of your passport or driving licence.
8. Prizes are awarded at our discretion and prizes may be withheld in the event of improper actions by or on behalf of any Participant.

Section 4 – Intellectual Property Rights

1. For the avoidance of doubt, all rights in the name, logo and title of the Competition and the format rights for the Competition will vest exclusively and respectively in the Organizer for its own use (in their absolute discretion).
2. You hereby warrant that the information that you submit and/or distribute will not infringe the intellectual property, privacy or any other rights of any third party, and will not contain anything, which is libellous, defamatory, obscene, indecent, harassing or threatening and shall indemnify for (but without limitation to) any loss, damage or liability arising in connection therewith. If relevant, we reserve the right, but not the obligation (and without limiting our rights under your warranty and indemnity above), to screen, filter and/or monitor information provided by you and to edit, refuse to distribute or remove the same.

Section 5 – Confidentiality

1. You undertake not at any time to disclose, reveal, communicate or otherwise make public any confidential information relating to the Organizers, their businesses, personnel, contractors, agents or officers to anyone.

Section 6 – Data Protection

1. The Organizer will process personal data of the Participants for the purpose of organization, running of the Competition and distribution of the prizes.

The Organizer will process the name, email address and the “three minute thesis” video of the Participants, as well as the bank details of the winners in order to transfer the prize.

The members of the Jury of the Sponsor institutions will only have access to the videos (which

are publicly made available), and to the name of the candidates selected in order to assess the videos and select the winner of the prize.

The Organizer and the Sponsors are joint-controllers and the legal basis is that processing is your consent in accordance with article 6.1.a) General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 (hereafter GDPR). The Organizers will process your personal data in accordance with their privacy and data protection policies available on the respective website of their institution.

2. The Organizer and the Sponsors undertake to preserve the confidentiality and integrity of the Personal data and implement the technical and organizational measures to protect it as required by Article 32 EU General Data Protection Regulation.

The personal data will be kept for a determinable period. The personal data will be kept as long as the Participants could be contacted by the organizer for their performance related to the Competition due to its interest and/or as long as they will accept to be recontacted for further Competitions. If they do not want to be contacted anymore, they can contact the organizer for being removed from the mailing list. The banking details of the participants will be kept only until the distribution of the prize and will be deleted immediately afterwards. Modalities of distribution of the prize will be managed by email separately.

Regarding the videos, as it is the Participants themselves who will post the videos on YouTube, these videos will be available on YouTube as long as the Participants have not removed it themselves.

According to the GDPR, the Participants benefit notably from the following rights: right to be informed, right to access to your personal data, right to rectification, right to erasure, right to restrict the scope of the processing, right to object, right to data portability, right to lodge a complaint if the conditions of the GDPR are met. The University provides further information on its website page: https://www.wen.uni.lu/university/data_protection/your_rights. The LuxDoc committee can be contacted at luxdoc@uni.lu.

In practice, the Participants can exercise their rights by contacting University's DPO by sending a request per email at dpo@uni.lu and by contacting the LuxDoc committee at luxdoc@uni.lu.

If a Participant considers that the Processing of Personal Data relating to him infringes the GDPR, he will have the right – without prejudice to any other administrative or judicial remedy – to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority, in particular in the Member State of your habitual residence, place of work or place of the alleged infringement.

In Luxembourg, the competent authority is the Commission Nationale pour la Protection des Données (CNPD). Further information is provided on <http://www.cnpd.lu>.

Miscellaneous

1. The Terms supersede all prior representations, agreements, negotiations or understandings

(whether oral or in writing). Except as specifically set out herein, all conditions, warranties and representations expressed or implied by law are excluded.

2. In the event that any provision of these terms are held to be illegal, invalid, void or otherwise unenforceable it shall be severed from the remaining provisions of these Terms which shall continue in full force and effect.

3. The failure to exercise or delay in exercising a right or remedy provided hereunder or by law does not constitute a waiver of the right or remedy or waiver of other rights or remedies.

4. These Terms are not intended to nor shall create any rights, entitlements, claims or benefits enforceable by any person that is not a party to them.

Jurisdiction

1. The Competition and the Terms will be governed by the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and the parties irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Luxembourg courts.