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# **REGIONAL STUDENT PAPER CONTEST**

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Impressions of one of the SPC 2022 finalists:

*“The SPC oral finals were my first real steps into academia. It was a wonderful experience, from the research to the presentation of the results to other experts in the field.*

*The trip itself and the time spent with foreign colleagues was also a special experience that I will never forget”.*

# Importance and benefits

- Students encouraged and supported to work on an engineering topic and write a publication
- Help students to develop professionally and personally in ways not possible through traditional lectures
- Possibility for students to be rewarded
- Benefits for IEEE OUs – SBs and Sections (recognition of OOs, increasing the visibility of OUs; promotion of IEEE in the academic community - attracting new members)

# Paper submission

All the rules on how an SPC paper should be written and submitted can be found on the R8 SAC website:

<https://ieeer8.org/category/student-activities/sa-spc/>

## Judging

- written part
- oral part



## ***Written part:***

- Submitted papers are graded by an international jury, ranking list is made and 5 finalists are announced

## ***Oral Finals:***

- 5 finalists are invited to present papers
- Traditionally, at MELECON or EUROCON
- The same jury makes the decision about winners, on the basis of both, written and oral part

# SPC JURY 2022



Paul Micallef,  
Malta



Mike Hinchey,  
Ireland



Giambattista Gruosso,  
Italy

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SPC Coordinator

This year, the final part (oral finals) was held in person within **MELECON 2022, Palermo, Italy**

First prize - 800\$ for the author + 250\$ for his SB:

**Imperial College London SB**

Second prize - 500\$ for the author from

**Politecnico di Torino SB**

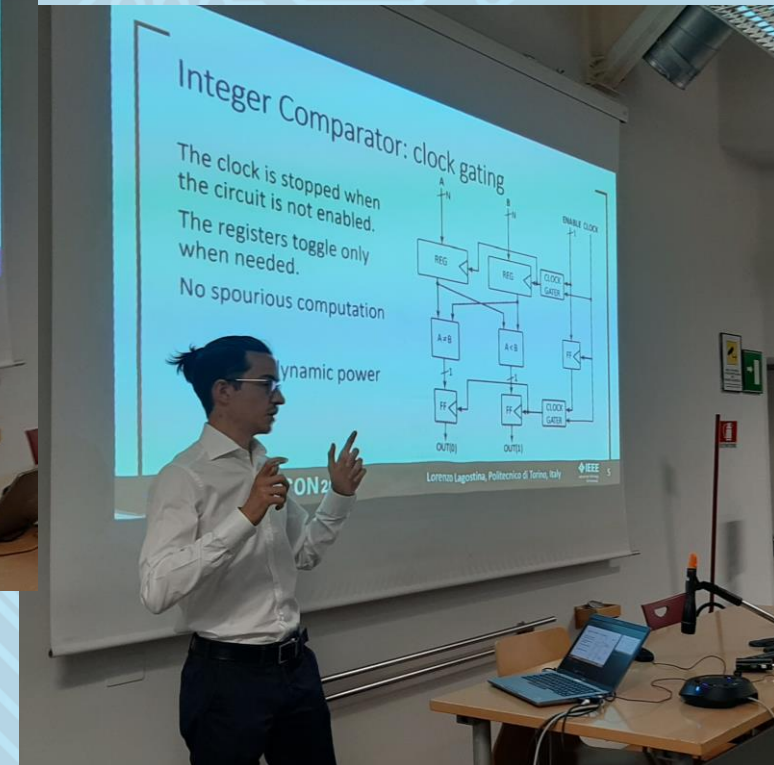
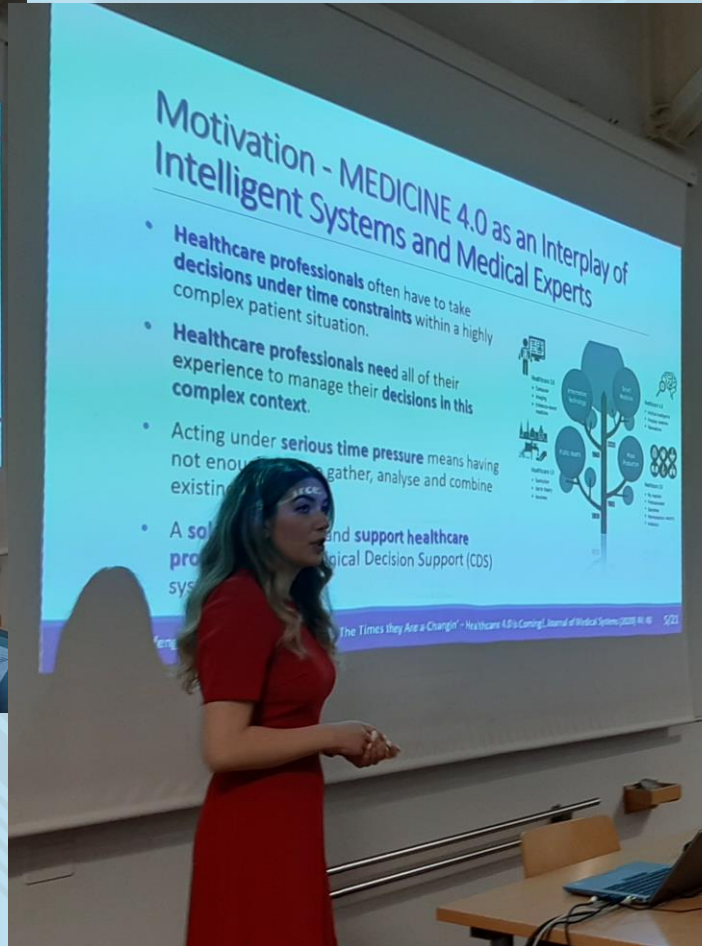
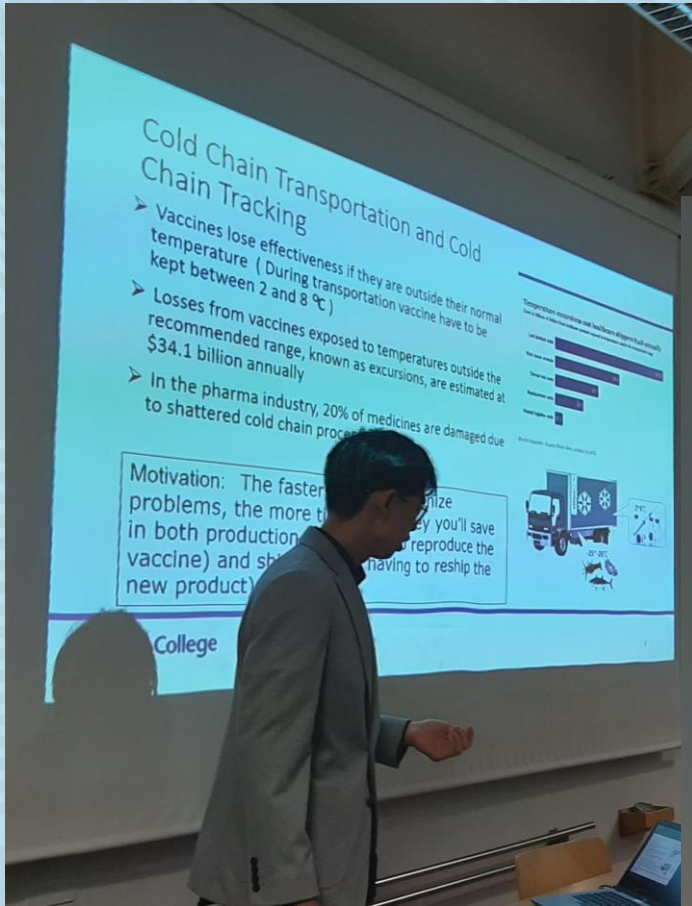
Third prize – 200 \$ for the author from the

**University of Niš SB**

*Papers of all 5 finalists were published in the MELECON 2022 Proceedings and in the IEEEExplore digital library after the conference.*













# More about SPC ...

- **IEEE R8 SAC website**

<https://ieeer8.org/category/student-activities/sa-spc/>

- **Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/ieeer8sac/>

- **Instagram**

<https://www.instagram.com/ieeer8sac/?hl=en>

- **LinkedIn**

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/ieeer8sac/>



# Local Student Paper Contest Events Program



The program aims to:

- Giving incentives to IEEE Region 8 Sections and Student Branches for establishing **local student paper contests**;
- Provide an **opportunity to students** to showcase their technical skills;
- **Promote** Regional Student Paper Contest, as well as increase awareness and participation (last years, most papers were submitted from SBs from Slovenia, Belgium, and Serbia – the local SPC events are already organized there))





- Applicants to this program can be either **Sections** or **Student Branches**
- The application should include an **endorsement letter** (for sections - by **Section Chair, SSAC** or **SSR**; for student branches - by **Student Branch Chair** or **Counselor**)
- Best papers of these local events **have to be submitted** in the **Regional Student Paper Contest**.
- Grant: up to **300\$** per Student Branch; up to **500\$** per Section

Up to now:

8 applications

7 approved:

- Slovenia Section (500\$)
- Imperial College London SB (UK) (300\$)
- University of Nis SB (Serbia) (300\$)
- Manchester SB (UK) (300\$)
- Multimedia University of Kenya SB (Kenya) (300\$)
- University of Birmingham SB (UK) (300\$)
- University of Tartu SB (Estonia) (300\$)

***Local SPC events:***

Last date for proposal submission: **October 20<sup>th</sup>**

Event Implementation: **by late November**

Reporting Submission: **by November 30th**

Funding Release: **December 2022**

*Time to think about **SPC 2023** !*

The deadline  
to send submissions:

**December 1**



Thank you for  
your attention!



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