*Ladies and Gentlemen,*

You are cordially invited to participate in the following competitions:

1. for the award for the best cited author 2023,
2. for an award for the author of the best scientific publications published in 2022,
3. For the award for the best publishing doctoral candidate in 2022,
4. for an award for the youngest first author of a scientific publication published in 2022,
5. for the most valuable implementation in 2022.

Detailed information on each of the listed competitions can be found in the regulations below. Whenever the words author, employee, doctoral candidate, student, candidate, winner are used in the regulations, they refer to persons of different sexes.

Applications for the competitions should be sent to the University Office for Science by email at rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl by **April 7, 2023**.

**Regulations of the Competition for the Award of His Magnificence Rector of Lodz University of Technology.
for best cited author in 2023**

1. Rector of Lodz University of Technology announces competition for best cited author award
2023. The award is given in the form of a grant and should be used to intensify the research work carried out involving the award winner. The award cannot be used for salaries. The award must be used by the end of the calendar year in which it was granted.

2. The aim of the competition is to boost research activity and promote the outstanding scientific achievements of the University's staff.

3. Participants in the competition can only be TUL employees, for whom the University is the primary place of work.

4. The value of the award is PLN 25,000 gross. The funds will be transferred to the unit's account, where the winner of the competition is employed. The decision on how to distribute the amount constituting the award is made by the Winner with the approval and in consultation with the head of the unit.

5. In each of the scientific disciplines in which the University has the authority to confer degrees and whose representatives have been submitted to the competition, an author will be selected whose publications have received the highest citation rate. The citation analysis will be carried out by the TUL Library after the closing of the call for entries for the competition. The evaluation criterion will be the FWCI (Field-Weighted Citation Impact) index determined on the same day using the SciVal tool (based on data from the Scopus database). Only citations of papers with Lodz University of Technology affiliation will be taken into account. From among the authors selected in this way, the Winner of the competition will be chosen. The award will be given to the author whose publications achieve the highest total FWCI. The prize referred to in item 4 will be transferred to the unit where the winner of the competition is employed. The best cited authors from each discipline will receive commemorative diplomas.

6. The prize referred to in item 4 can be received only once.

7. Applications for candidates for the award are made by Heads of Scientific Disciplines. The application should indicate the name of the candidate and the discipline they represent. The head of the discipline may nominate up to three candidates.

8. Applications should be sent to the University Office for Science by email to rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl by April 7, 2023.

9. For more information about the competition, contact the University Office for Science at the internal phone number 20 52 or 20 44 and at rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl.

10. The winner of the contest and the best cited authors from each discipline will be informed of the results of the contest by email.

11. The names of the participants who took part in the competition, along with the results obtained, will be published on the website of Lodz University of Technology.

12. The competition organizer reserves the right to cancel the competition without giving any reason.

**Regulations of the Competition for the Award of His Magnificence Rector of Lodz University of Technology.**

**For the author of the best scientific publications published in 2022**

1. The Rector of Lodz University of Technology announces a competition for an award for the author of the best scientific publications published in 2022. The award is given in the form of a grant and should be used to intensify the research work carried out involving the award winner. The award cannot be used for salaries. The award must be used by the end of the calendar year in which it was granted.

2. The aim of the competition is to boost the research and publication activities of the University's staff.

3. Only employees for whom the University is the primary place of work may participate in the competition.

4. The value of the award is PLN 25,000 gross. These funds will be transferred to the account of the unit in which the winner of the competition (author or team of authors) is employed. The decision on how to distribute the amount constituting the award is made by the Winner with the approval and in consultation with the head of the unit.

5. The criterion for evaluation will be the points indicated in the current: 1) ministerial list of scientific journals and peer-reviewed materials of international conferences, and 2) ministerial list of publishing houses publishing peer-reviewed scientific monographs.

6. The following achievements published in 2022 may be submitted for the competition.
and bearing the TUL affiliation: 1) publications in journals, 2) conference papers
in peer-reviewed materials of international conferences, and 3) scientific monographs or chapters in peer-reviewed scientific monographs. In case of achievement, which is published in both paper and electronic versions - the date of printing of the achievement will be taken into account, while if the achievement has only an electronic version - the date of its publication on the Internet will be taken into account.

7. In each of the disciplines in which the University has the authority to confer degrees and whose representatives have been submitted for participation in the competition, the author or team of authors of achievements with the highest number of points according to the ministerial lists referred to in Section 5 will be selected. From among the authors or teams of authors thus selected, the Winner of the competition will be chosen. The Winner of the competition will be the author or the team of authors that obtains the highest number of points
For achievements with the highest scores according to ministerial lists, cited.
at 5. If several authors or teams of authors get the same number of points, the order in the competition will be determined by the number of points for publications a grade lower in the ministerial lists. The prize referred to in item 4 will be transferred to the unit where the winner of the competition is employed. Authors of the best scientific publications from each discipline will receive commemorative diplomas.

8. Applications for candidates for the award are made by Heads of Scientific Disciplines. The application should indicate the name of the candidate and the discipline they represent. The submission should also include full bibliographic data of achievements and their point values. Each submission must be accompanied by a copy (PDF file) of the page of each achievement on which the title, author or authors, affiliation and name of the publisher are indicated.

9. Applications should be sent to the University Office for Science by email to rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl by April 7, 2023.

10. For more information about the competition, contact the University Office for Science at the internal phone number 20 52 or 20 44 and at rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl.

11. The winner and the authors of the best scientific publications in each discipline will be informed of the results of the competition by email.

12. The names of the participants who took part in the competition, along with the results obtained, will be published on the website of Lodz University of Technology.

13. The competition organizer reserves the right to cancel the competition without giving any reason.

**Regulations of the Competition for the Award of His Magnificence Rector of Lodz University of Technology.**

**for the best publishing doctoral candidate in 2022**

1. The Rector of Lodz University of Technology announces a competition for the prize for the best publishing doctoral candidate in 2022. The award is given in the form of a grant and should be used to intensify the research work carried out involving the award winner. The award cannot be used for salaries. The award must be used by the end of the calendar year in which it was granted.

2. The aim of the competition is to boost the research and publication activities of TUL doctoral candidates

3. Participants in the competition may be doctoral candidates of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School of TUL or participants in doctoral studies conducted by TUL units.

4. The value of the award is PLN 10,000 gross. These funds will be transferred to the account of the unit where the winner of the competition is carrying out their doctoral thesis. The decision on how to distribute the amount is made by the Winner with the approval and in consultation with the head of the unit. If the winner of the competition at the time of the award does not have the status of a doctoral candidate or is not employed at the University, the award should be used to strengthen and develop the research of other doctoral candidates pursuing work in the unit, which is done at the request of the head of that unit.

5. The criterion for evaluation will be the points indicated in the current: 1) ministerial list of scientific journals and peer-reviewed materials of international conferences, and 2) ministerial list of publishing houses publishing peer-reviewed scientific monographs.

6. The following achievements published in 2022 may be submitted for the competition.
and bearing the TUL affiliation: 1) publications in journals, 2) conference papers
in peer-reviewed materials of international conferences, and 3) scientific monographs or chapters in peer-reviewed scientific monographs. In the case of an achievement that is published in both paper and electronic versions - the date of printing of the achievement will be taken into account, while if the achievement has only an electronic version - the date of its publication on the Internet will be taken into account.

7. In each of the disciplines in which the University has the authority to confer degrees and whose representatives have been entered in the competition, the doctoral candidate with the highest number of points according to the ministerial lists referred to in Section 5 will be selected. A winner of the competition will be selected from among the doctoral candidates thus selected. The winner of the competition will be the doctoral candidate who obtains the highest number of points for achievements with the highest scores according to the ministerial lists referred to in Section 5. If several doctoral candidates obtain the same number of points, the order in the competition will be determined by the number of points for publications a grade lower in the ministerial lists. The prize referred to in item 4 will be transferred to the unit where the winner of the competition is pursuing their doctoral thesis. The best publishing doctoral candidates in each discipline will receive commemorative diplomas.

8. The prize referred to in item 4 can be received only once.

9. Applications for candidates for the award are made by heads of disciplines at the request of the supervisor. The application should indicate the candidate's name and discipline,
which he represents. The submission should include full bibliographic details of achievements
and their point values. Each submission must be accompanied by a copy (PDF file) of the page of each achievement on which the title, author, affiliation and name of the publisher are indicated.

10. Applications should be sent to the University Office for Science by email to rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl by April 7, 2023.

11. For more information about the competition, contact the University Office for Science at the internal phone number 20 52 or 20 44 and at rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl.

12. The winner and the best-published doctoral candidates in each discipline will be informed of the results of the competition by email.

13. The names of the participants who took part in the competition, along with the results obtained, will be published on the website of Lodz University of Technology.

14. The competition organizer reserves the right to cancel the competition without giving any reason.

**Regulations of the Competition for the Award of His Magnificence Rector of Lodz University of Technology.**

**for the youngest first author of a scientific publication published in 2022**

1. The Rector of Lodz University of Technology announces a competition for an award for the youngest first author of a scientific publication published in 2022. The award is given in the form of a grant and should be used to intensify the research work carried out involving the award winner. The award cannot be used for salaries. The award must be used by the end of the calendar year in which it was granted.

2. The purpose of the competition is to encourage students to take up scientific work and to support the development of the University's young staff.

3. Participants in the competition may be students, doctoral candidates of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral School of TUL or participants in doctoral studies conducted by TUL units and young researchers for whom the University is the primary place of work.

4. The value of the award is PLN 10,000 gross. These funds will be transferred to the account of the unit where the winner of the competition is employed or where the student or doctoral candidate conducted the research that is the basis of the publication. The decision on how to distribute the amount is made by the Winner with the approval and in consultation with the head of the unit.

5. The following achievements published in 2022 may be submitted for the competition.
and bearing the TUL affiliation: publications in journals or conference papers in peer-reviewed materials from international conferences - included in the ministerial list of scientific journals and peer-reviewed materials from international conferences, current as of the date of the competition announcement, and scientific monographs or chapters in peer-reviewed scientific monographs published by publishing houses included in the ministerial list of publishing houses publishing peer-reviewed scientific monographs, current as of the date of the competition announcement. The co-author of the reported achievement must be an employee of the University carrying out research in disciplines in which the University is authorized to grant academic degrees.

6. The award will be given to the youngest author of the achievement referred to in item 5, in which the person is indicated on: 1) the first place among its authors or 2) in another position, if the alphabetical order of authors was adopted in the creation of the list of authors, or 3) in another position, if its contribution and the contribution of the first author and possibly other authors on the list were determined to be equal (equal contribution).

7. Submissions of candidates for the award are made by authors or scientific supervisors. The submission should indicate the author's date of birth and full bibliographic details of the achievement along with its credit value. Each submission must be accompanied by a copy (PDF file) of the achievement page, on which the title, authors, affiliation and name of the publisher are indicated.

8. Applications should be sent to the University Office for Science by email to rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl by April 7, 2023.

9. For more information about the competition, contact the University Office for Science at the internal phone number 20 52 or 20 44 and at rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl.

10. The winner will be informed of the results of the competition by email.

11. The names of the participants who took part in the competition, along with the results obtained, will be published on the website of Lodz University of Technology.

12. The competition organizer reserves the right to cancel the competition without giving any reason.

**Regulations of the Competition for the Award of His Magnificence Rector of Lodz University of Technology.**

**For the most valuable implementation in 2022**

1. The Rector of Lodz University of Technology announces a competition for the award for the most valuable implementation in 2022. The award is given in the form of a grant and should be used to intensify the research work carried out involving the award winner. The award cannot be used for salaries. The award must be used by the end of the calendar year in which it was granted.

2. The purpose of the competition is to promote applied research and development work carried out at the University. In the competition, implementation is understood as the application in practice of a research study resulting from the implementation of a cooperative agreement between TUL and an industrial plant or company.

3. Participants in the competition can only be TUL employees, for whom the University is the primary place of work.

4. The value of the award is PLN 40,000 gross. These funds will be transferred to the account of the unit in which the winner of the competition (author or team of authors) is employed. The decision on how to distribute the amount constituting the award is made by the Winner with the approval and in consultation with the head of the unit.

5. The application may concern an author or a team of authors. In case some of the authors of the implementation are employed outside Lodz University of Technology, only those authors who are employees of Lodz University of Technology can apply for the award.

6. The award will be given to the author or team of authors of the technical solution, the implementation which brought the greatest financial revenue to the University in 2022. The implementation process must be completed in 2022. In the case of multilateral agreements, in which TUL is not the sole implementer, the revenue that the implementation brought to TUL should be shown.

7. Applications for implementations that form the basis of the award are made by the authors of these solutions. Each application should be accompanied by:

- Information about the author(s) of the R&D work (name, surname, name of the unit of the LF where he/she is employed) and the value of commercialization.

- A scan of the contract or deed certifying the value of the financial benefit for TUL obtained as a result of this implementation;

- a scan of the confirmation issued by the unit's administration that the notified implementation has been entered into the POL-on system.

8. Applications should be sent to the University Office for Science by email to rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl by April 7, 2023.

9. For more information about the competition , contact the University Office for Science at the internal telephone number 20 52 or 20 44 and at rnn@adm.p.lodz.pl.

10. The winner will be informed of the results of the competition by email.

11. The names of the participants who took part in the competition, along with the results obtained, will be published on the website of Lodz University of Technology.

12. The competition organizer reserves the right to cancel the competition without giving any reason.