

## Nokia Bell Scientific Award 2025

### REGULATIONS

- Art. 1. Thanks to the financial support of Nokia Belgium, the Fund for Scientific Research-FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS) and the Research Foundation - Flanders (FWO) may award the yearly **Nokia Bell Scientific Award**. Nokia is shaping the technologies at the heart of our connected world, to transform the human experience. This Nokia Bell Scientific Award rewards the PhD thesis that brings the most original **contribution in the field of information and communication technologies** in one of these topics:
- Artificial/augmented intelligence
  - Artificial Intelligence assisted software development
  - Big data and analytics
  - Decentralized/Trustless Software Systems
  - Edge and cloud computing
  - Fixed and wireless communication
  - Optical communication
  - Signal processing
  - Software engineering for cyber-physical systems
- Art. 2. The Award is intended for an individual researcher **who has obtained their PhD thesis from a Belgian University or the Royal Military Academy of Belgium between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024** (date of public defence taken as reference date).
- Art. 3. **Candidates must be affiliated to a university or research institute** in a research position at the submission deadline (March 17, 2025).
- Art. 4. The Award amounts to **8.000 €** (for personal use. Nokia has no responsibility for any usage of the Award).
- Art. 5. Applications, written in English, have to be submitted by email by **March 17, 2025 (midnight Brussels time)** at the latest to [prix@frs-fnrs.be](mailto:prix@frs-fnrs.be). The requested documents are:
- the application form;
  - a detailed curriculum vitae + list of publications;
  - an electronic version of the thesis.
- The regulations and form are available on the website [www.frs-fnrs.be](http://www.frs-fnrs.be).
- Art. 6. The Award cannot be divided amongst several researchers.
- Art. 7. The PhD thesis may have been partially or entirely conducted in collaboration with Nokia Bell and its subsidiaries.
- Art. 8. Employees from Nokia Bell and its subsidiaries are not eligible for the Award.
- Art. 9. The Award will be awarded on the basis of the recommendations of an independent Jury of experts appointed by the F.R.S.-FNRS and the FWO.
- Art. 10. If no suitable laureate can be identified, the F.R.S.-FNRS and the FWO can decide that no Award is given.
- Art. 11. Any question concerning the applications and the awarding of the Award will be settled in a final and binding manner by the F.R.S.-FNRS and the FWO.
- Art. 12. Nokia Bell, in consultation with the Award winner, has the right to publish the work awarded, mentioning the name and the position of the author.
- Art. 13. The deliberations of the Jury are confidential and will not be disclosed.

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