

# International MCDM Doctoral Dissertation Competition-2015

At the [23rd International Conference on Multiple Criteria Decision Making](#), to be held in Hamburg (Germany), from August 3 to August 7, 2015, the International Society on Multiple Criteria Decision Making will bestow the MCDM Doctoral Dissertation Award upon a scholar who has recently obtained a doctoral degree and demonstrated excellence in her or his doctoral dissertation research in Multiple Criteria Decision Making (MCDM) or a related field. The MCDM Doctoral Dissertation Competition identifies and recognizes outstanding doctoral dissertation research, completed since the beginning of 2013, in the development of theory, methodology, and/or the application of theory or methodology to MCDM.

The MCDM Doctoral Dissertation Award Committee, chaired by Prof. Jyrki Wallenius, will evaluate the applications, identify finalists and provide recommendations to the MCDM Executive Committee for the final decision. The award will be announced at the Conference. The finalists are expected to give a talk at the conference. The finalists will be exempt from paying the conference fee.

**Deadline for applications:** Please email the zip file of the application packet to the awards committee at [phdaward@mcdmsociety.org](mailto:phdaward@mcdmsociety.org) by March 1st, 2015. The finalists will be informed by June 1st, 2015.

**Eligibility:** Those whose dissertation is in MCDM or a related field and who graduated with a doctoral degree after January 1st, 2013. Only dissertations which have been written in English are eligible.

**The application packet should include the following documents** (all of which must be in English, except possibly the diploma):

- Cover letter
- Applicants 2-3 page resume
- Scanned copy of the original diploma of the Doctoral Degree
- Electronic copy of the Doctoral Dissertation
- Extended Abstract of the Doctoral Dissertation in English, limit of four single-spaced pages
- Copies of publications/patents based on the Doctoral Dissertation, if any. In this case, we need a statement from the supervisor saying that the publication(s) derive from the dissertation. Also include publications accepted for a journal, accompanied with the Editors acceptance letter.
- An endorsement letter from the supervisor(s), highlighting the significance of the dissertation
- (Optional) Additional supporting letters that the applicant wishes to attach