

# NEA Nuclear Education, Skills and Technology (NEST) Framework



## 2023 NEST Annual Event and Awards Competition

*Are you or have you been a NEST Fellow? Are you looking for the perfect opportunity to showcase your talent and advance your career? If yes, then look no further... the NEST Award awaits you!*

### Award Competition

The NEST Fellows Award Competition aims to recognise and highlight NEST Fellows who have demonstrated excellence throughout their fellowship. The objective of the competition is to showcase the potential of young talent to formulate fresh ideas and solutions to the challenges facing nuclear energy today, in line with the work carried out under their NEST Fellowships.

Up to three winners will be announced during the NEST Annual event taking place online on the 28 November 2023 from 13.00 to 17.00 CEST.

During the NEST Annual Event Fellows will be able to pitch their Fellowship and to take the opportunity to network with other fellows. Following the pitch presentations, a NEST Jury will select three winners who will receive an award.

The award for the 1<sup>st</sup> winner will be € 3 000, for the 2<sup>nd</sup> winner € 2 000 and finally € 1 000 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> winner.

The competition is open globally to **current and past NEST Fellows**<sup>1</sup>. All Fellows, even if not selected to present, are invited to attend the event.

On completion of the Annual Event, the NEST Fellows will receive their NEST Skills' Passport.

### How to apply

In order to enter the competition, Fellows are required to submit a one-page abstract on their Fellowship (instructions below). A panel of experts (NEST Jury) will review the submissions and select up to thirty Fellows who will be able to present their pitch presentation to the NEST Management Board members.

Following the pitch presentations, the Management Board will award three outstanding contributions based on their relevance to the NEST mission, originality and significance.

### Creating the abstract

The abstract should briefly describe the NEST Project, what technical and non-technical skills you acquired, highlight the main achievements, as well as the added-value and impact of the NEST project on their career

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<sup>1</sup> NEST Fellows are those who have participated in a NEST Project activity.

accordingly to the main headings reported in the template. The NEST Fellow should highlight their own contribution and that of the NEST Mentor. The abstract is limited to 400 words max (one A4 page) and the language is English.

The template can be found below as [Annex 1](#).

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The deadline to send your contribution along with the consent form (attached) is  
Sunday 15 October 2023 at 23.59 CEST to [nest@oecd-nea.org](mailto:nest@oecd-nea.org).

After this deadline, no abstract will be accepted.

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**Dates to remember and timeline:**

**August 18, 2023:** Call for Awards opens

**October 15, 2023:** Deadline to submit abstracts along with consent form attached

**October 31, 2023:** Selection of abstracts is completed

**November 3, 2023:** NEST Fellows selected will be informed and will be asked to prepared a 5 minutes' presentation with maximum 3 slides.

**November 19, 2023:** NEST Fellows should send their 3-slide presentation

**November 28, 2023:** NEST Annual Event with Fellows' pitch presentation and award winners announced

Please note that the event will be recorded and can be used by the NEA for any promotional material, dissemination and outreach of the NEST Fellowships. Thus, if you wish to apply for this Award, you also need to complete the consent form and return to the address below.

**Contact for submission and for any question: [nest@oecd-nea.org](mailto:nest@oecd-nea.org)**

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## Annex 1 Template for Abstract

### **Title of the Abstract**

### **Author's Name and Affiliation**

- Name
- Name of Institution
- Email: author@email

### **NEST Project**

### **Dates of NEST Fellowship and Institution**

- From/to, Place, Institution

### **NESR Mentor's Information**

- Mentor's name
- Name of institution (if different from above)
- E-mail: supervisor@email

### **Keywords**

- List of three to five keywords

### **Abstract Editorial Style**

- Use Times New Roman font (and Symbol if needed) and font size 11 for the main body of the abstract.
- Limitation of words: 400 words (one A4 page max).

### **Abstract Content**

- Describe briefly your NEST Project and what are the main challenges and real world issues it addresses for the nuclear energy field
- Describe what technical and non-technical skills you acquired, how were they relevant to address the issues and what solutions or creative ideas you developed
- Highlight the main achievements of your NEST Fellowship
- What were the added-value and impact of the NEST Fellowship on your career?

### **Publication(s) or any other outreach or dissemination material you produced as a results of the NEST Fellowship (video, podcast, interview, blog etc)**

- If available, please list them below with links