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EUROPEAN FRIEDRICH-LIST-PRIZE

2026

to young scientists in European Transport Sciences

For the 21st consecutive time the European Platform of Transport Sciences – EPTS Foundation awards a prize dedicated to young transport researchers. The prize is named "European Friedrich-List-Prize" to honour the extraordinary contributions of Friedrich List, a visionary of transport in Europe of the 19th century, being a distinguished economist and respected transport scientist committed to the European idea. The European Friedrich-List-Prize is awarded for outstanding scientific papers in each of the following categories:

Doctorate paper (PhD or comparable)

1,000 €

and

Diploma paper (Master Thesis or comparable)

500 €.

The submitted papers should address topics in the transport field **within a European context and from a European perspective**, ideally making reference and contributing to the **sustainable development of elements and modes within pan-European or cross-border transport**. The subject should be characterized by its international scope while papers elaborating on technical matters are equally accepted as those with a background in economics or another discipline.

Eligible for submission are all scientific papers accomplished no longer than two years ago and which have not been submitted successfully in another award competition. Papers must be written at a European university and in single authorship by individuals who are under forty years of age at the time of getting their degree. **Recommendations may only be made by full professors of European universities or directors of research institutions.** Applications by the authors themselves or repeated applications will not be considered. The application dossier must include:

1. The full version of the paper in any European language.
2. A scientific summary of fifteen to twenty A4 pages in English language.
3. A short CV of the author.
4. Recommendations are to be verified by the full professor or director in a statement written in English language.

Candidates are invited to submit their papers in electronic format (*PDF or *doc) via e-mail to the EPTS-General Secretariat.

The full applications dossier has to be sent to the EPTS General Secretariat:

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Application deadline: January 14, 2026

Submitted papers are evaluated by a jury composed of reputable scientists engaged in transport in its European dimension. The jury's results will be fixed by end of February 2026.

The award ceremony is scheduled to take place on 07.05.2026 during the 24th European Transport Congress of the European Platform of Transport Sciences, to be held in Vienna, Austria.

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