

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

### SJU Prize for SESAR Young Scientist Award 2021 REF. SJU/LC/0160-CNT

N°	Subject	Reference in documents	Questions	Answers
1	<b>Deadline for submission of applications &amp; Eligibility criteria</b>	Section 3.1 Sections 2 & 4.1 of Contest Rules	I am going to defend my PhD thesis before 2 July, but the due date is 25 June for application. Which application is appropriate for me: as a student or a PhD? I will be still student before 25 June, but in December I will be already a PhD researcher. <i>(11/05/2021)</i>	The deadline for the submission of the application is <b>5<sup>th</sup> of September 2021</b> (please, refer to Section 3.1 of the Contest Rules).  If, as mentioned in your question, you will have your PhD thesis defended before 2 July (i.e. before the deadline for applications), it would therefore appear that you shall be in the position to apply for the PhD category.
2	<b>New Eligibility criteria</b>	Sections 2 & 4.1 of Contest Rules	My situation is as follows: I am currently doing my PhD, but I expect to submit my thesis in September. Therefore, I'll probably have the final version of the thesis (after being revised by external reviewers) before the deadline to apply for the contest.  Still, I will probably defend my thesis in October, so I guess that anyway I should apply to the "Student" category; however, I have one question related to the following field in Appendix A of the Application Form:  Structure, clarity and appropriateness of the written thesis  Should I focus on the Master thesis? Or, instead, as probably I would have finished my PhD thesis, I should	We confirm that, in accordance to Section 2 of the Rules, eligibility requirements are as follows:  "Within the <b>Student category</b> :  - Bachelor thesis defended not more than 18 months before the date of closure of the present Contest, or - Master thesis defended not more than 18 months before the date of closure of the present Contest, or - on-going PhD"  If you fulfil two of the above requirements, it is your choice, whether to send your application in respect of your defended master thesis or on-going PhD. Your application and supporting documents should reflect your choice, including the mention of the relevant tutor.

			<p>focus on the PhD thesis instead (even if the PhD is not defended yet)?</p> <p>Furthermore, regarding the tutor, should I mention the tutor/supervisor of the PhD or the tutor of my Master thesis?</p> <p>(05/07/2021)</p>	
3	<b>New Eligibility criteria</b>	Sections 2 & 4.1 of Contest Rules	<p>I am interested to register my MBA Thesis, however this thesis has been defended 2,5 years ago.</p> <p>Is it still possible to apply for the award or not?</p> <p>(07/07/2021)</p>	<p>In accordance to Section 2 of the Rules, relevant eligibility requirements are as follows:</p> <p>“Within the <b>Student category</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- &lt;...&gt;</li> <li>- Master thesis defended not more than <b>18 months before the date of closure</b> of the present Contest, or</li> <li>- &lt;...&gt;”</li> </ul>
4	<b>New Eligibility criteria</b>	Sections 2 & 4.1 of Contest Rules	<p>I am a PhD student at the University of [...] and very interested in participating in the SESAR Young Scientist Award contest as my PhD project is in cooperation with the German ANSP ([...]). Before applying, I would like to ask one question: Does the PhD thesis have to be defended or is it also possible to apply this year if the project runs until mid-2022?</p> <p>(09/07/2021)</p>	<p>In accordance to Section 2 of the Rules, relevant eligibility requirements are as follows:</p> <p>“Within the <b>Student category</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- &lt;...&gt;</li> <li>- <i>on-going PhD</i>”</li> </ul> <p>“Within the <b>PhD category</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b><i>PhD thesis defended not more than 18 months before the date of closure</i></b> of the present Contest”</li> </ul>

				Within the PhD category the PhD thesis shall already be defended when the application is submitted. And this is valid irrespective the end date of the Project the PhD thesis is linked to.
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