

13<sup>th</sup> International Conference on  
Synthesis, Modeling, Analysis and Simulation Methods and Applications to Circuit Design

# SMACD'16 27-30 June Lisbon, Portugal

## COMPETITION

A \$1,000 prize will be granted to the winner of the competition!

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Following the recent editions of the SMACD Conference, **SMACD 2016** will hold an event where **MSc** and **PhD students** can compete with their **best ideas, methodologies, flows and tools** with one unique but challenging goal: **“Improve design automation for analog, mixed-signal, RF, and multi-domain (MEMs, nanoelectronic, optoelectronic, biological, etc.) integrated circuits and systems!”**

To enter the Competition all participants must submit a paper (following the SMACD 2016 submission guidelines) with a clear description of their methodology and/or tool, the design problem of their choice, and the solution provided by the methodology and/or tool. **The first author of the submission and presenter at the conference must be a MSc or a PhD student!**

### Evaluation Criteria

A Judging Committee will select the winner(s) based on the **quality of the paper, of its presentation at the conference** and the **live demonstration**, using the following criteria:

- Complexity of the problem posed in the paper.
- Level of automation (fully automated, semi-automated).
- Designer interface (problem design setup, result analysis).
- Robustness of the solutions (accounts for mismatching, parasitics, LVS/DRC check).
- Degree of integration with commercial design suites and design methodologies (import and export data from these suites, usability in one or more steps of current design flows).

### Important Notes

- All accepted submissions in the competition will be presented by the students in a special session at the conference and **published in the conference proceedings**.
- The presenters are encouraged to perform a **Live Demo!** SMACD organization guarantees internet connection to all participants but required **CAD tools or Design kits licensing is responsibility** of each participant.

### Dates

Paper Submission Deadline **EXTENDED: 18<sup>th</sup> Mar 2016**  
Author Notification: **15<sup>th</sup> Apr 2016**  
Camera Ready Paper Submission: **30<sup>th</sup> Apr 2016**

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