





Award for Theses in Quantum Technologies

The Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) presents the Quantum Futur Award to recognize outstanding scientific work with significant application potential in the field of quantum technologies.

The award is given in two categories: master's theses and doctoral dissertations. It is open to theses from all areas of natural sciences, engineering, and information sciences that focus on the technical applications of controlled quantum states, known as second-generation quantum technologies.

Students and graduates from German colleges and universities are eligible to apply with their master's or doctoral theses in the field of application-oriented quantum technologies, provided the work was completed within the past four years.

Application and Selection Process

To apply for the Quantum Futur Award 2024, candidates must submit their thesis, along with a detailed abstract (maximum of four pages) and a curriculum vitae. All documents must be submitted exclusively online, in either German or English via quantentechnologien.de/quantum-future-award.

A jury of experts from industry, academia, and politics will review the applications and select five finalists per category, with particular emphasis on the abstracts.

Final, Award Ceremony, and Audience Award

Finalists will present their work in short pitches to the expert jury during a public event. The jury will then select the winners based on both the application documents and the pitches. Additionally, the Quantum Futur Audience Award will be given to the best pitch as determined by online voting.

The final event is expected to take place on Friday, November 29, in Berlin. Applicants are advised to keep this date available.

Prizes

Winners of the first and second places in both categories—master's and doctoral theses—will be awarded study trips valued at €6,000 (1st place) and €4,000 (2nd place). Additionally, the recipient of the audience award will be granted a professional development opportunity in the field of science communication.

The application deadline is September 29, 2024.

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