

ERME Paper Award

A paper award – Why?

- To recognise the work presented by the large number of papers at a CERME conference.
- To promote young researchers in terms of visibility, publishing strategies, and academic merit.

The paper award initiative took place for the first time at CERME 12 (Bolzano), then CERME 13 (Budapest), and again at CERME 14 (Bolzano).

Who can be a candidate?

Young researchers are eligible for the ERME paper award. A young researcher is defined as a researcher who has not completed a PhD in mathematics education more than three years before the conference. For CERME 15, you can be a current graduate student or must have obtained your PhD after February 2024. The young researcher must be the **first author** of the paper. Co-authors may be experienced researchers; however, the award is granted **only to the first author**.

The basis for the award is the proposal submitted for the respective CERME conference.

Preparation Guidelines

The guidelines for papers include the criteria for the ERME paper award. We strongly advise applicants to ensure that their papers satisfy these criteria.

How to become a candidate?

Any young researcher may submit a proposal for their own paper. Applicants must confirm by **15th of September 2026** that they meet the eligibility criteria and that the submitted paper is of high quality. Eligible applicants may indicate that their paper is to be considered for the award by selecting the appropriate **check-box in ConfTool**.

Who will decide, and how?

The ERME board has appointed a jury for the ERME paper award. The jury members will use a selection criteria framework to identify three conference papers with high potential. The first authors of these three papers will be the awardees.

For the winners

The three awardees will be honoured at the General Meeting of the current conference and will receive a certificate for the ERME conference paper award.

The authors of the awarded conference papers will be offered support and training aimed at developing their conference papers into papers suitable for publication in a (high ranked) journal.

The process of developing the paper will be supported by an experienced researcher, namely one of the jury members or a researcher recruited by the jury. The support includes:

- a) coaching on how to prepare a publication and how to select an appropriate journal;
- b) reviewing of the first draft of the paper;
- c) supporting the awardee in revising the paper after the first (and subsequent) rounds of journal reviews.

If a journal paper is accepted in a high ranked journal, the awardee will be honoured at the General Meeting of the next CERME.

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