

General rules for the European phase of the European Statistics Competition (ESC) 2019

1. Registration

The European phase of the European Statistics Competition (ESC) 2019 is open to those teams having finished among the winners or being the finalists in the national phase of the ESC and have been proposed to participate in the European phase by their countries. There will be two categories of participation: A and B. As a reference category A comprises students in the last two courses in secondary education (approx. 16-18 years old) and category B includes all other students in secondary education (approx. 14-16 years old).

Each country could propose up to **two** teams per category to participate in the European phase.

2. Assignment

Participating teams will have to **make a video** in which they will have to explain a statistical concept. The topic of the video will be revealed to participating teams on the 29th of March 2019.

Written explanations in the video will be in English. Spoken explanations will be preferably in English, although videos with the audio in the national language and English subtitles will also be valid. Regardless of the language of the audio, the use of subtitles in the video is highly recommended.

Videos will have a **maximum length of 2:00 minutes**.

Along with the videos, participants will have to prepare a pdf document in English, explaining the creation process of the video, including the users they would like to reach, the techniques used (and the reasons to use them), decision making process, the sources of statistical data (in case of using them), etc. This document will have a **maximum of 2000 words** and a **maximum extension of 4 pages**.

Both the video and the make-of document will be taken into account for the assessment of the assignment.

3. Evaluation Criteria

When evaluating the selected videos, the jury of the European phase of the ESC will take into account:

- The creativity of the video
- An understandable / convincing message according to the concept / question raised
- The effectiveness of the video to get its message across
- The concordance between the pdf document and the video

4. Awards

The jury will declare one winner and second and third place per category. The jury can decide not to award any prize to the presented videos.

Each member and the tutor of the two winning teams of the European phase (categories A and B) will receive the following prizes:

- A gift card (400€)
- A set of publications and promotional material from Eurostat
- A winner diploma

Winners will receive their prizes in an award ceremony that will take place at Eurostat headquarters in Luxembourg, on the 11th of June 2019. The expenses of the trip and the accommodation, for the tutors and the students of the winning teams, will be covered by the organizers of the ESC.

In case there are students under 18 in the winning team at the time of the trip to the ceremony, the tutor must act as an approved guardian of the minors of her / his team and will take full responsibility of the minor students during the trip and the stay in the place of the award ceremony.

In case of having two winning teams with the same tutor, the latter will only receive one prize.

Second and third teams along with the rest of the participating teams in the European phase will receive a diploma.

5. Calendar

Registration period: 1st April to 15th May, 2019

European assignment period: 1st April to 15th May, 2019

Announcement of winning teams: 5th of June, 2019

Award ceremony: 11th of June, 2019 (Luxembourg city, Luxembourg)

6. Publication of videos

The awarded videos or those that received mentions will be announced on www.esc2019.eu

Awarded videos will be published indicating the name of the teams and their country. By their participation in the European phase of the ESC the participants allow the publication of their videos, which will include the name of the team and the country.

Videos must not infringe any third party copyright or trademark, or violate the rights of any person or entity. Teams need to be sure only use content in their

video that they are authorised to use, including, without limitation, music, images, film clips and other intellectual property.

In case there are minors appearing in the video, the team must send to the organization of the ESC, along with the video and the pdf files, authorizations to appear in the film signed by the legal guardian of each minor. Lack of authorizations will disqualify the video. Teams can ask the organization in their countries to provide them with an authorization form.

All the materials presented at the European phase of the ESC may be published by the European Statistical System (ESS).

7. Reservation of rights

The organization of the European phase of the ESC reserves the right to change the terms and conditions of the European phase of the ESC, especially the dates announced in the calendar, or even its possible cancellation, whenever there is a justified cause. These modifications would be made public at www.esc2019.eu.

8. Acceptance of the rules of the European phase of the ESC

Participation in the European phase of the European Statistics Competition (ESC) assumes the acceptance of all these rules.