

COMPETITION DEDICATED TO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

- 1) Laboratorio Athena organizes a competition for writing an original paper.
- 2) The competition is open to students attending the first and second level of courses in the following university seats: Terni and Rome (Italy), Lodz (Poland), Iasi (Rumania) and Nice (France).
- 3) Competition topic: **YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND INNOVATION.**
- 4) Basic admission requirements:
 - a. Each paper should be signed by an individual author.
 - b. Papers should be written in English and should have a maximum length of eight pages (text and bibliography).
 - c. Editing rules to be adopted:
 - Times New Roman 12;
 - Line spacing 1,5;
 - Margins: Right and left sides 2 cm; bottom side, 2,5 cm;
 - Footnotes: Times New Roman 10.
 - d. After the bibliography, there should be: Author's name and surname, University, Personal identification code, Email address to be utilized for all communications concerning the competition.
 - e. Papers should be submitted exclusively in PDF and sent no later than 28 of February 2018 to the email address info@laboratorioathena.org.

If one of the requirements is missing, the paper will be excluded.

- 5) Members of Laboratorio Athena and Professors of invited and participating Universities will be part of the evaluation board. They will evaluate the paper and award first, second and third positions. In the case of equal scores will be preferred the paper having the higher score in the first evaluation criteria (see below). Mentions of honour can be assigned to other papers.
- 6) Results will be communicated by email directly to the ones awarded not later than April 30th, 2018. Information will be published on www.laboratorioathena.org.
- 7) A prize in money will be assigned to the first three winner: respectively 150,00€, 100,00€, 50,00€. A diploma will be given to all the authors awarded.
- 8) Sponsors, if any, could assign additional prizes.
- 9) Laboratorio Athena reserves the possibility to organize an event offering to all participants – even if not awarded – the possibility to present their papers live or by videoconference.
- 10) The evaluation board will adopt the following criteria to fulfil the evaluation process.

CRITERIA FOR PAPERS EVALUATION

Each evaluator will give a score in a range from 1 (minimum) up to 5 (maximum) – for each of the following criteria:

1. Coherence with the topic and quality of the paper
2. Author's original thinking
3. Correctness and adequateness of the bibliographic sources
4. English fluency