

# European Master in Official Statistics (EMOS) Master's Thesis Competition

Call for submissions by 11 October 2024

## 1. Purpose

The purpose of the EMOS Master's Thesis Competition (MTC) is to reward outstanding master's theses developed by students enrolled in [EMOS-labelled master's programmes](#). It seeks to highlight official statistics as a research topic and put forward young talents with innovative contributions.

To showcase the results of research in official statistics conducted by EMOS graduates to the wider scientific community, up to six winners of the MTC will have the possibility to present their master's theses at the New Techniques and Technologies for Statistics ([NTTS](#)) conference, an international biennial scientific conference series organised by Eurostat on 11-13 March 2025 in Brussels.

## 2. Eligibility

In order to be eligible, the candidates must have:

1. graduated from an [EMOS labelled master's programme](#) in the academic years 2022/2023 or 2023/2024,
2. completed a master's thesis before the closing date of the current call for submissions,
3. been nominated by their university's EMOS coordinator to participate in the MTC.

## 3. Submission process

EMOS coordinators send up to three submissions by **11 October 2024** at the latest to the EMOS Secretariat at [estat-emos@ec.europa.eu](mailto:estat-emos@ec.europa.eu).

A submission template and all relevant instructions for the preparation of the submissions are provided in Annex 1.

## 4. Evaluation

The evaluation committee consists of the members of the [EMOS Board](#). The submitted abstracts will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. Clearly developed objectives and methodology: the used research methods must be explained in a coherent way, with clarity and readability,
2. Results fitting to the proposed objectives: a clear connection must be drawn between the research goals and the outcomes,

3. Conclusions for application in official statistics or further research: possibilities for deploying the research results must be explained or, alternatively, suggestions for further research must be made,
4. Contribution: it must be elaborated how the thesis offers a new and original insight'.

## 5. Announcement of the winners

The winners will be announced in **December 2024**. The announcement will be published on the [EMOS website](#). The winners and their EMOS coordinators will be informed by the EMOS Secretariat via e-mail.

## 6. Awards

1. **Presentation of the thesis during the NTTS conference with travel and accommodation covered**

Up to six winners of the MTC will have the possibility to present their master's theses in the [NTTS](#) conference taking place between 11 and 13 March 2025 in Brussels. The travel expenses and accommodation of the winners from their place of study to the conference venue will be covered by Eurostat.

2. **Certificates and promotion**

The winners of the MTC (authors and their academic supervisors) will receive a certificate. The abstracts of the winning master's theses will be published on the NTTS and EMOS homepages.

## 7. Key dates

September 2024	Call for submissions is sent to EMOS-labelled universities and announced on the EMOS website
September - October 2024	EMOS coordinators nominate and submit maximum three best master's theses
11 October 2024	Call for submissions closes. EMOS coordinators send submissions to the EMOS Secretariat <a href="mailto:estat-emos@ec.europa.eu">estat-emos@ec.europa.eu</a>
December 2024	Selection by the EMOS Board of up to 6 winners
11-13 March 2025	Presentation at the NTTS conference

## 8. Website and contact

EMOS website: [EMOS dashboard | Eurostat CROS \(europa.eu\)](#)

EMOS Master's Thesis Competition 2025 website: [2025 Master's Thesis Competition | Eurostat CROS \(europa.eu\)](#)

Contact EMOS Secretariat [estat-emos@ec.europa.eu](mailto:estat-emos@ec.europa.eu)

*Submission template for the EMOS abstract***Name of the author, Title of thesis****1. Contact<sup>1</sup> and basic information****Applying student**

Mr/Ms	
Surname	
First name	
E-mail address	

University	
EMOS programme	

Title of thesis	
Academic supervisor(s)	
Completion date of the thesis according to the university registry	
Grade	

**EMOS coordinator submitting the application**

Mr/Ms	
Surname	
First name	
E-mail address	

*The abstracts have to be submitted by the EMOS coordinator by **11 October 2024** to the EMOS Secretariat [estat-emos@ec.europa.eu](mailto:estat-emos@ec.europa.eu)*

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(1) The European Commission is committed to personal data protection. Any personal data is processed in line with the Regulation [\(EU\) 2018/1725](#). All personal information processed by Eurostat is treated accordingly.

## **2. EMOS abstract**

*The abstract must*

- *clearly convey the objectives, research methods, main results and conclusions, as well as distinguish new and creative insights;*
- *be written in English;*
- *be no longer than max. 5 pages in font 12 points;*
- *contain max. 3 tables or figures (not included in the max. of 5 pages);*
- *provide max. 3 keywords specifying the domain of the thesis;*
- *provide main references (not included in the max. of 5 pages).*

*The submission file must also contain:*

- *table of contents of the whole thesis in English*
- *full thesis in original language*

### **Name of the author, Title of thesis**

### **Keywords**

*3 keywords specifying the domain of the thesis*

#### **1. Introduction**

#### **2. Objective**

*Expose here the main objectives of your research.*

#### **3. Methods**

*Explain the methods used to reach your objectives.*

#### **4. Results**

*Summarise your results. Conclusions for application in official statistics or further research: possibilities for deploying the research results must be explained or, alternatively, suggestions for further research must be made.*

#### **5. Contribution**

*Explain how your research offers a new and original insight.*

### **References**

*Provide main references (not included in the max. of 5 pages).*

### **Attachment 1: Table of content**

*Provide table of contents of the thesis in English (not included in the max. of 5 pages).*

### **Attachment 2: Full thesis in original language**

*Provide a full thesis in original language.*

### **3. Qualitative assessment for the selection**

*To be written by the EMOS coordinator, max. 2000 words.*