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Call for Nominations

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EFCE Excellence Award in Recognition of an Outstanding PhD Thesis on CAPE 2012

For the fourth time, the European Federation of Chemical Engineering (EFCE) is pleased to announce the call for nominations for the **Excellence Award in Recognition of an Outstanding PhD Thesis on CAPE**. Launched in 2006, this biennial award has been instituted to recognise a PhD Thesis which demonstrates an outstanding contribution to research and/or practice in computer-aided process engineering (CAPE) or process systems engineering (PSE).

The award consists of a cash prize of €1500 and a certificate, and will be presented to the winner at a plenary session during the ESCAPE-22 conference to be held in London, UK, 17 - 20 June 2012. The award also comprises a travel grant of up to 500 Euros and the ESCAPE registration costs. Furthermore, the successful candidate will be invited to make a plenary presentation at the ESCAPE conference and to prepare a paper for publication as a "guest paper" in an appropriate EFCE Journal.

Any PhD thesis supervised at a university or PhD-awarding institution of an EFCE member country in the area of computer-aided process engineering (CAPE) or process systems engineering (PSE) is eligible for nomination. The candidate's thesis must have been defended after 01.09.2009.

The nomination deadline is **31 December 2011**.

A pre-selection committee from the EFCE Working Party on CAPE will assess whether the PhD thesis topics of the nominees are within the scope of CAPE/PSE and will prepare a shortlist of the nominations based on the supplied supporting documentation. The final selection will be made by EFCE committee.

A copy of the rules and procedures governing nomination and selection of candidates, eligibility, deadlines, supporting documentation, etc, can be obtained from the EFCE website at <http://www.efce.info/ExcellenceAwardCAPE.html>.