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Call for nominations EFCE Excellence Award in Recognition of an Outstanding PhD Thesis on CAPE 2026

The European Federation of Chemical Engineering (EFCE) is pleased to announce the call for nominations for its prestigious **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 certificate and a travel grant of up to 500 EUR and a fee waiver to attend the ESCAPE conference at which the award will be presented. The 2026 Excellence Award in Recognition of an Outstanding PhD Thesis on CAPE will be presented to the winner at a plenary session during the ESCAPE'36 conference to be held in Sheffield, United Kingdom, on 21-24 June 2026.

Furthermore, the successful candidate will be invited to make a presentation at the ESCAPE'36 conference and to prepare a paper for publication as a "guest paper" in *Computers & Chemical Engineering*.

Any PhD thesis supervised at a university or PhD-awarding institution of an EFCE member country in computer-aided process engineering (CAPE) or process systems engineering (PSE) is eligible for nomination. The candidate's thesis must have been defended after 1 January 2023.

The closing date for nominations is **31 January 2026**.

Further information about the nomination procedure, eligibility, supporting documentation, etc., can be obtained from the EFCE website at <https://www.efce.info/ExcellenceAwardCAPE.html>.

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About EFCE

Founded in 1953, The European Federation of Chemical Engineering (EFCE) is a non-profit-making association, whose object is to promote co-operation in Europe between non-profit-making professional scientific and technical societies in 30 countries for the general advancement of chemical engineering and as a means of furthering the development of chemical engineering. See www.efce.org