

## Contributions for international competitions

A portion of the funds from the “Merit Project” <https://www.polimi.it/en/students/tuition-fees-scholarships-and-financial-aid> is allocated to support the participation of Politecnico di Milano students in the final stages of international competitions held abroad and that are reported or sponsored by Politecnico’s professors. Through this initiative, which reduces economic barriers and provides official recognition from the University, student representatives and Politecnico aim to encourage all students to engage not only in their studies but also in other educational activities, such as these initiatives.

For each student who requests it, a contribution can be granted:

- **€500.00 gross** for students participating in the final stage of the international competition organized in countries outside the Schengen Area and the United Kingdom
- **€500.00 gross** for students participating in multiple finals of the same competition
- **€300.00 gross** for students participating in the final stage of the international competition organized in countries within the Schengen Area and the United Kingdom

The amounts include charges covered by Politecnico, until the available funds (up to €40,000.00) are exhausted.

Interested students can request the aforementioned contribution by sending an email to [competitions@polimi.it](mailto:competitions@polimi.it) from their institutional email address, attaching the following documentation:

1. A brief description of the competition for which the request is made;
2. A support/presentation letter signed by the faculty supervisor of the subject/competition;
3. Travel documents and/or proof of participation.

Only requests that clearly indicate that the participation in the international competition has reached the final stage will be considered.

Requests can be submitted during two time-windows:

- The **first window** opens at 09:00 am on 03/11/2025 and closes at 12:00 (noon) on 13/11/2025 (Italian time).
- The **second window** will be activated only if funds are still available, from 09:00 am on 01/12/2025 to 12:00 (noon) on 20/12/2025 (Italian time). In this case, funds will be disbursed starting from 01/02/2026.

(Dates may be subject to change with prior notice from the office in charge).

Each team can submit a maximum of 30 applications per competition (not per final). Any requests exceeding this number, starting from the thirty-first, will be placed on a waiting list for excess requests. These requests may be considered during a second window, which will be activated if, after November 13, 2025, there are still remaining funds.

In both windows, requests will be evaluated on a first-come, first-served basis. If funds are insufficient, priority will be given to participants in competitions that do not already have an annual budget allocated by the central administration and to teams that did not reach the initial limit of 30 requests during the first window.

Requests received before or after the specified dates, or incomplete requests, will not be considered.

Each student can submit only one application per calendar year.

Please note that participation in an international mobility program (Erasmus, Double Degree, etc.) is not considered an international competition.

Applicants will receive an email notification of the outcome of their request by 22/12/2025.

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