

**EURELECTRIC Annual Convention and Conference  
E-LECTRICITY: THE POWER SECTOR GOES DIGITAL**

**Student Award 2016**

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- Since 2010, EURELECTRIC has organised a formal student competition as an integral part of its Annual Convention. Students from all across Europe are invited to participate and are sponsored by EURELECTRIC member organisations.
- We are encouraged by the increasing interest and enthusiasm shown by students year after year and are convinced of the importance of continuing this tradition. In today's high-tech and digitised world, the "generation gap" is often reflected by the "technological or technological ability gap" between young and old and it is more important than ever, therefore, to listen to and engage with our youth - the next generation of business leaders - if we are to become a modern and innovative industry.
- Today's "millennial" generation – those who have grown up during a time of technological and economic disruption – are the first generation of digital "natives". Many do not even remember a time without the internet! It is particularly stimulating therefore to be confronted with the creative ideas of these students, who are protagonists of the digital revolution of today and tomorrow, and will - more than this or any previous generation – bring us to the edge of the next industrial revolution! Technology will shape every aspect of the way they live and work and this is evident already now. So let's take a look at the excellent work they were able to come up with.
- As you may be aware, in previous years, a one-page essay on a specific, predefined theme, formed part of the student entry conditions. **This year, students were invited to submit a video, infographic or any animated project related to the conference theme: digitisation and innovation.**
- **Four students have been shortlisted** and we will show you their work in a minute. But, first, I would like a round of applause for each of them, present here in the audience:
  - From Germany - **Elie-Lukas Josua LIMBACHER**
  - From Spain - **Luis Felipe González SOTRES**
  - From Romania - **Razvan Mihai PRICOPE**
  - And from Lithuania - **Mindaugas CESNAVICIUS**
- And now - **in absolutely no order of preference** - let's take a look at the videos:
  - First we have **Elie-Lukas Josua LIMBACHER, from the Technische Universität Berlin**, with the video "Energy can drive climate change".
  - Next, **Luis Felipe González SOTRES, from the Comillas Pontifical University in Madrid**, with the video "Eye-lectricity: looking for the cost-effective observability and control of the smart grid".

- The next video is from **Razvan Mihai PRICOPE, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Energetics, and Applied Informatics, Gheorghe Asachi Technical University of Iasi (Romania)**, with the animation “Digitization in the energy sector: a path to a cleaner energy”.
- Finally, **Mindaugas CESNAVICIUS, Kaunas University of Technology, Renewable Energy BSc (Lithuania)**, with a simple and at the same time very creative video that leaves a lot to the imagination.
- And now ladies and gentlemen, it’s time for **YOU to decide** who the lucky winner is and which animation is your favourite. **Remember these are young students – not all at the same level of education – some PhD, some just starting out - and we are not judging them merely on content but also on originality and creativity.**
- Please vote for the students now as indicated on the screen.
- **[Congratulations/words of thanks...]**