



PAPER WRITING COMPETITION

*By,
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Terms and Conditions

1. By participating in YIJ Paper Writing Competition either you or your team will automatically accept these terms and conditions.
2. The format of the paper submission **must** follow the guidelines provided by ASTI.
3. You may represent your organisation (school, university, company, etc.). However, this is an open competition. You do not need to be affiliated with any organisation.
4. **Young Inventors Journal (YIJ) Paper Writing Competition** is open to participants aged 18 – 40 years old. Age of participant is based on the age of participant on the year 2022.
5. There is no fee for participating in this competition.
6. Individual or a team of no more than 5 people can participate.
7. Participation is free. However, you are responsible for the cost (if any) of creating your YIJ entry, as well as all other costs associated with participation in the competition.
8. Individuals / teams selected **may be** required to attend the paper presentation online expected to be held in March 2023, probably on a Saturday. Final dates will be confirmed in due time.
9. Awards will be as per advertised. Certificate of participation will be given to all participants that has been shortlisted based on the paper proposal, and have submitted a complete paper.
10. Paper must be written and presented in English.
11. The copyright of all papers submitted belongs to its author. **However, ASTI reserves the right to publish the papers or parts thereof in its journal (Young Inventors Journal) or produce a book from the chosen papers, or in any other ASTI publications or marketing collaterals with minimal edits (i.e. grammar, spelling, format). Major edits will be published with approval from the authors. All publications will give adequate credits to the authors.**
12. Your paper maybe checked using plagiarisms software. **Any plagiarised paper will be disqualified.**
13. A participant may not submit more than 3 papers as an individual or as part of a group.
14. ASTI reserves the right to modify the terms and condition in the interest of fair play, inclusivity, and appeal from participants/stakeholders etc. The participants will be informed if there are any such changes.
15. Paper should be written within 1,000 – 3,000 words, not including Abstract and Reference.
16. A total of 2 mentor(s) can be appointed by the team for the participants and can be anyone of any age.
17. YIJ will acknowledge the mentor(s) with a certificate.

Picking the Best Entries

1. A panel of independent judges will determine the winners. For your information, the marking for YIJ is usually done by a minimum of 2 judges however if their marks are highly differential, an independent judge will review it to mediate.
2. When choosing the best entries, the judges will be looking for entrants who are clearly on top of their subject, who can write with evidence and clarity, who is concise and straight

to the point, show the novelty of the paper, and who leave the reader wanting to learn more about the subject and be more involved.

3. **YIJ 2022** judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entertained.

Some Other Rules

1. The organizer reserves the right at any time and from time to time to modify or discontinue, temporarily or permanently, this YIJ competition with or without prior notice due to reasons outside their control (including, without limitation, in the case of anticipated, suspected or actual fraud). The decision of the organizers in all matters under its control is final and binding.
2. ASTI is not responsible for any copyright infringement or other Intellectual Property offenses arising from your misuse of copyrighted or protected material, and ASTI will be fully indemnified under all circumstances.
3. We take no responsibility for entries that are lost, delayed, misdirected or incomplete or cannot be delivered or entered for any technical or other reason. Proof of delivery of the entry is not proof of receipt.

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