

March 2014 Newsletter

Sorry this is a bit later than usual but I have been holding back for a few weeks as lots of theses have been printed/submitted in the last fortnight. So, congratulations to Sam Wilkinson, Ben Blackham, Helen Brannon and Matthew Spencer who all submitted their EngD theses for soft binding within two weeks of one another. My printer has been rather busy recently.

Paul Hudson also formally submitted his hard bound official thesis this month and will graduate this summer.

Funding

Still no news so watch the Chancellor's Budget on Wednesday 20th March to find out.

Conference

Due to all the printing, this has crept up on me so hopefully your abstracts are now approved and submitted as they will now be collated and sent to the Printer. Please ensure your presentation/poster is approved for release by your sponsors. I will catch you all in a few weeks at the Burlington Hotel.

P.S. If you haven't told Kathleen your dinner choice, then there will not be a meal for you.

Prizes

Just to remind you that there will once again be prizes to be won at the Conference:

£100 for the best Poster

£300 Peter Bongers' Prize for the best 25 min Presentation

£100 for the best 15 minute Presentation.

We will also be recognising those who have made an outstanding contribution to Outreach Activity with a Prize of £100 each.

We will reward the Student that has achieved Excellence in their Modules. I will use the same criteria as last year, so either an average mark of over 70% or an average mark of over 75% with two module marks in the 65 to 70% range.

There will be the usual Bottle of Champagne for the Student asking the most questions.