Criteria for the assignment of Best Oral presentation and Best Poster Awards at the BITS 2016 Meeting

Common criteria

- 1. A Poll Committee will be nominated by the BITS2016 Scientific Committee. It will include one member of the BITS Steering Committee, one of the organizers of the meeting, and one BITS Ordinary Member.
- 2. The Poll Committee will oversee all operations and will determine and announce the winners of the contests, according to the following rules.

BITS 2016 Best Oral presentation Award

- 1. One (1) Best Oral Presentation Award will be assigned to the best oral presentation given at the BITS 2016 meeting.
- 2. Oral presentations will be evaluated by the BITS2016 Scientific Committee members that will attend the conference. Voters are invited to avoid any conflict of interest, i.e. not to vote for oral presentations they are co-authoring.
- 3. Each voter will receive a ticket in which he/she will be allowed to vote for a maximum of three oral presentations, ranked by preference, being 3 the vote assigned to the best oral presentation.
- 4. Each voter will return his/her ticket to reception by 1:30 p.m. of the last meeting day
- 5. The final score of each presentation will be computed as the sum of all received scores.
- 6. BITS 2016 Best Oral Presentation Award will be assigned to the oral presentation that will have received the highest final score.
- 7. In case of equality, the award will be assigned to the oral presentation with the greatest number of highest scores and, in case of further equality, by the Poll Committee.

BITS 2016 Best Poster Awards

- 1. Five (5) Best Poster Awards will be assigned to best posters presented at the BITS 2016 meeting.
- 2. All posters, but the late ones, are eligible for participating to the contest.
- 3. Posters will be evaluated by the BITS members (regular and associate members) participating in the meeting. Voters are invited to avoid any conflict of interest, i.e. not to vote for posters they are co-authoring.
- 4. At the time of meeting registration, each BITS member will receive an anonymous ticket to vote for a maximum of five posters, ranked by preference, being 5 the vote assigned to the best poster.
- 5. All voters will have to return his/her ticket to reception by1:30 p.m of the last meeting day.
- 6. The final score of each poster will be computed as the sum of all received scores.
- 7. BITS 2016 Best Poster Awards will be assigned to the five posters that will have received the highest final scores. In case of equality, the greatest number of received scores will be assessed. In case of further equality, the greatest number of highest scores will be evaluated and, in case of further equality, the Poll Committee will take the final decision.