

AISD First Award 2026

The AIS Chapter Germany (AISD) announces the AISD First Award 2026. It is designed to promote new members of the AISD community by recognizing an outstanding IS-related publication that an author has published in a leading journal as their first-ever journal article.

Award

- First/second/third place: € 500/300/200 (sponsored by the AIS Chapter Germany)
- The winners will be announced at the AISD Chapter Reception at ICIS 2026

Eligibility

- First author of an IS-related publication in 2025 or 2026 in a journal classified A+, A, or B in the VHB 2024 journal ranking
- The publication is the first author's first-ever article in the above set of journals (including co-authorships)
- First author's affiliation with a German university (as printed on the publication)
- The publication has to be published (at least online first) at the time of application

Application

- Application form (see Annex)
- Copy (PDF) of the published article
- Cover letter containing:
 - Complete reference, including the DOI code of the published article
 - Applicant's contribution to the paper
- All documents must be provided in PDF format (in English) to AISDChapter@aisnet.org

Timeline

- Application deadline: **September 15, 2026**
- Notifications to nominees: **October 15, 2026**
- Award announcement: at the AISD Chapter Reception at ICIS, **December 13-16, 2026**

Decision process

- Evaluation by a jury consisting of three members of the current AISD Executive Board and three Chapter members
- Criteria: quality, rigor, contribution, potential impact on the IS community and society at large, and the degree to which the article is thought-provoking

Contact

For questions, contact the chapter representatives at AISDChapter@aisnet.org.

- Annex –

Application form for the AISD First Award

The undersigned _____

Surname Name

University: _____, Department: _____

Position: _____, E-mail _____

HEREBY APPLIES

for the AISD First Award with the following paper:

Title: _____

DOI: _____

Journal: _____

HEREBY DECLARES

- to be aware of all the rules contained in the competition announcement
- to be informed that, according to and as a result of the GDPR EU Reg. 2016/679, personal data will be only treated, also with ICT tools, within the procedure for which this declaration is produced.

Attach documents:

- copy of the article
- cover letter (see competition announcement)

All documents must be provided in PDF format (in English) and sent in digital format to AISDChapter@aisnet.org by **September 15, 2026**.

Place, Date

Applicant's signature