



The Society of Naval Architects & Marine Engineers WESTERN EUROPE SECTION

PAPER CONTEST 2026 – CALL FOR PAPERS

For the 11th consecutive year, SNAME WES is organising a Paper Contest. This is a good opportunity for all students and young professionals of 35 years of age and under to submit and present a paper to SNAME WES and publish the paper on the SNAME website.

We organise this contest in memory of

Lourdes (Nina) Elona-Lilley

as a continuation of the enthusiasm and support that she showed for students and young people.

OBJECTIVE

Write and present a paper of maximum 10 pages discussing a technical or commercial concept related to ship design, shipbuilding, naval architecture, marine or offshore engineering.

POSSIBLE SUBJECT

Offshore wind industry, oil and gas, innovations relevant to shipbuilding, manufacturing industries, energy efficiencies, hydrodynamics, structures, stability, new materials, equipment, propulsion aspects, resistance, ship design, etc.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Open to all students and professionals of 35 years old and under associated with the marine industry. Participants are to be members of SNAME WES upon submittal of the final paper.

PAPERS WILL BE JUDGED ON:

Innovation • Creativity • Originality • Applicability

SCHEDULE

Abstract to be submitted by
Final paper to be submitted by
Contest results announced on

Friday 27th March 2026
Friday 12th June 2026
Friday 24th July 2026

All submissions by email

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AWARDS

1st Prize - Lourdes (Nina) Elona-Lilley Memorial Cash prize of £200, Certificate and medal.

2nd Prize - Certificate and medal.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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