Regulations for Awarding Prizes during CRATER'2023 – Conference on Recent Advances in Translational Eye Research 2023.

These regulations define the rules and procedures for awarding prizes to participants for the best poster presentation during the CRATER 2023 Conference, which will take place in Warsaw on September 7-8, 2023. The prizes are awarded by the Institute of Physical Chemistry of the Polish Academy of Sciences (PAN) as part of the project "Conference on Recent Advances in Translational Eye Research," funded by the Ministry of Education and Science under the program "Excellence in Science - Support for Scientific Conferences" (agreement no. DNK/SP/513952/2021).

§ 1 Definitions

The terms used in the content of these Regulations have the meanings assigned below unless a different meaning clearly arises from the content of the Regulations:

- 1. **Author** a person who is the author or co-author of the poster.
- 2. Organizers' Conference Email Address crater@ichf.edu.pl
- 3. **Committee** a group of individuals appointed by the CRATER Conference Organizing Committee, responsible for evaluating and analyzing submissions. The list of Committee members will be published on the Event's website.
- 4. **Competition** the competition organized by the Institute of Physical Chemistry PAS according to the rules specified in these regulations.
- 5. **Institute** Institute of Physical Chemistry of the Polish Academy of Sciences, located in Warsaw (01-224), with Tax Identification Number (NIP): 525-000-87-55, National Business Registry Number (REGON): 000326049, and Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS): 367460149.
- 6. **Prize** a monetary award given to the winner of the Competition, paid through a bank transfer to an account specified by the Competition Winner.
- 7. **Regulations** these regulations.
- 8. Event Website the website of the CRATER 2023 conference https://crater.icter.pl/
- 9. **Participant** a physical person participating in the Competition.
- 10. **Event** CRATER'2023 Conference (Conference on Recent Advances in Translational Eye Research), scheduled to take place on September 7-8, 2023, at the Copernicus Science Center in Warsaw.
- 11. **Submission** a set of all necessary information required to participate in the Competition (including the Abstract).

§ 2 Competition

- 1. The Competition is organized by the Institute of Physical Chemistry PAN.
- 2. The Competition will take place during the Event.
- 3. Participants of the Competition must be adults registered as active participants of the Event.
- 4. Participation in the Competition requires acceptance of the provisions of the Competition Regulations and submission by the Participant no later than the registration day of the Event.
- 5. Participation in the Competition is free of charge.

§ 3 Committee

1. The Committee Chairperson is Maciej Wojtkowski.

The Committee Chairperson is responsible for:

- a. Selecting the other members of the Committee,
- b. Organizing the work of the Committee.
- 2. The full list of Committee members will be published on the Event's website before the start of the Event.
- 3. The Committee Chairperson is responsible for making decisions on matters not regulated by the Competition Regulations and interpreting the provisions of the Regulations.
- 4. The Committee evaluates the posters presented during the poster session of the Event.
- 5. The decisions of the Committee are final and not subject to appeal.
- 6. The Committee evaluates posters based on the following criteria:
- a. Originality of the work,
- b. Presentation of the problem and its solution,
- c. Visual aspects and clarity of the poster.

§ 4 Prizes

- 1. The Competition will take place during the Event.
- 2. As a result of the evaluation conducted as part of the Competition, two monetary prizes will be awarded, each in the amount of 2,000 PLN (two thousand Polish zlotys, zero groszy) gross.
- 3. Each winner of the Competition will be notified of the prize collection conditions immediately after its award, no later than the last day of the Event.
- 4. The Prize will be paid in PLN in the form of a bank transfer by October 31, 2023, after sending a completed tax declaration to the Organizer's email address.
- 5. The Prize will be reduced by the amount of the advance payment for personal income tax and social insurance contributions, if their collection is required by the regulations in force on the date of the Prize payment.

§ 5 Liability

The Institute is not responsible for the content contained in posters and/or presentations. The sole responsibility lies with the person delivering the presentation or presenting the poster.

§ 6 Final Provisions

- 1. The Regulations come into effect upon their publication on the Event's website.
- 2. The Institute reserves the right to:
- a. Cancel the Competition,
- b. Introduce changes to the Regulations agreed with the Scientific Committee of the event,
- c. Exclude from the Competition Participants who violate any provisions of these Regulations or the Event Regulations, especially those who:
- 1) Engage in actions contrary to the law, good manners, or infringe on the legitimate interests of third parties,
- 2) Undertake actions aimed at circumventing the Event Regulations or the rules of conducting the Event.
- 3) Engage in actions that violate the legitimate interests of the Institute or harm its image.
- 3.In case of disputes with a Participant, the competent court for their resolution is the court competent for the Institute's registered office.

- 4. The finding by the competent court of invalidity of some of the provisions of the Regulations does not affect its remaining provisions, which remain in force in such a case.
- 5. Matters not regulated by these Regulations are subject to the applicable provisions of Polish law.