

# FTP Lightning Talk Challenge TNC19

## Registration

Closed

## Timeline

February	Registration deadline 28 Feb 2019
March /April	e-workshops on proposal writing and public speaking
March	Deadline submissions for Call for Lightning Talks, 15 March
May	1:1 coaching finalists
June	Participation in TNC 17-20 June, Tallinn, Estonia

*Focus: Presentation skills, public speaking skills*

The Lightning Talk Challenge is a programme for young professionals to get their ideas on stage of the TNC Lightning talk presentations. Nominated by GÉANT project partners, participants undergo series of training to help master presentation skills and increase the chance of their submissions to be accepted by TNC Programme Committee. The training events also prepare participants for a superb delivery at the actual event. In addition, participants benefit by engaging with peers through webinar training events and building a professional and social network of peers. Finalists of the Challenge receive full financial support for delivering their talk at the conference.

## What's included

- Practical and interactive workshops under the guidance of a professional public speaking coach for all participants
- 1:1 coaching on public speaking for finalists
- Travel package + full conference pass to TNC19 for finalists

## Requirements

- This challenge is open to individual(s) who are registered on any IT & networking (related) course(s) at a university, college or learning provider and must be nominated by the operating NREN/GÉANT Project Partner.
- The Lightning talk idea must fall in an IT and Networking area.
- Lightning talk proposals must include: title, participant name, educational institution, short biography, five keywords, and short introduction of the idea (max. 500 words). Abstract must be marked [Topic title + TNC19FTP].
- Participants commit themselves to the full programme and therefore must have access to a computer with a webcam to join the webinar.
- Selected participants will be presenting at TNC19
- High English language proficiency is required.
- All participants are invited to share their experiences on social media.

## How to Apply (NRENs)

**Step 1** Register your candidate online until 28 February, with a brief description of candidate's topic.

**Step 2** All accepted candidates will become participants of the Future Talent Programme and will receive training. Your participants takes part in the e-workshops in March and April. Dates and Programme will be confirmed to you and your participant by email.

**Step 3** Participants submit their proposal to TNC Programme Committee by 15 March 2019, midnight CET.

**Step 4** Your participants talk will be notified by the TNC Programme Committee by (TBC) of the acceptance or rejection of the proposal

**Step 5** Selected candidates take further training and take centre stage at TNC19