



Call for abstracts!

12th GERG Young Researchers' Awards

in association with EGATEC 2026, the European Gas Technology Conference

25/26th of November 2026, Hotel Marriot (Vienna, Austria)



Are you a postgraduate student or a PhD candidate conducting research in the field of renewable, low-carbon gases or energy systems? What about presenting your project in front of a high-level audience and possibly win a substantial prize?

The [European Gas Research Group \(GERG\)](#) holds the **GERG Young Researchers' Awards** for early career European researchers who commit to driving excellence and innovation in scientific research and in creating solutions for the future energy system.

The Young Researchers' Awards promote interaction between European Universities and Research Centres on R&D topics related to the role of renewable and low carbon gases and gas infrastructure in the transition to a sustainable energy future. The key objectives are to showcase and encourage the dialogue between industry practitioners and academia and enhance cooperation between our different communities.

The 2026 event will take place in association with the [7th European Gas Technology Conference \(EGATEC 2026\)](#) the 25/26th of November in Vienna (Austria). The conference will bring together high-level representatives from the European gas industry, universities, companies, and other stakeholders.

Organised by [MARCOGAZ](#) and GERG, the conference is hosted by the [Austrian Association for Gas and Water \(ÖVGW\)](#).

Candidates are encouraged to apply if their project aligns with one or more of the themes of the conference:

- The Role of Renewable and Biogases in the Future Energy System
- H₂NG Admixtures and Network Integrity
- Hydrogen Infrastructure
- The Role of Biogas and Biomethane in Decarbonising the Energy System

- Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) & Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS)
- Next Steps for the Gas Industry

How will you benefit:

- If you succeed in the first selection round, you will:
 - Be invited to the EGATEC conference, with support for travel and accommodation provided up to a limit of 700€.
 - Hold a Poster presentation session, allowing informal discussion with the jury and EGATEC audience members.
 - Present your project on stage in a 5-minute pitch, in front of a jury of senior industry professionals and the conference attendees.
- After the presentations, the jury will select one winner and award them a prize of 1000€ to support their future research.

How to apply:

- You must be a post-graduate student working towards a PhD or Master's degree. Different student profiles will be considered as a way of exchanging different perspectives (economics, chemistry, engineering...).
- Please send to contact@gerg.eu before **30th of June**
 - **A one-page abstract** describing the work you would like to present (Word or OpenOffice format),
 - **A short bio** a 100 words maximum.
- Successful finalists will be notified three months before EGATEC 2026.
- The final selection will be made during the conference, following pitches by finalists and the poster session. An Award ceremony will be held during the formal dinner.

We hope to hear from you soon! We are looking forward to helping you showcase your work in front of an audience of enthusiastic professionals in your field and even potential employers.

Visit [our website](#) for information on past editions
and [EGATEC website](#) for information on the conference.

