

Application for the Young Professionals' Award Logistics 2027

**Award ceremony to take place as part of the 'Logistik trifft Wissenschaft' event
on 22 February 2027**

(Submissions must be received by 30 November 2026)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICANT

Title: ☐ female ☐ male ☐ not specified

First name, Surname:

Street:

Postcode / Town:

Telephone:

Email:

LinkedIn:

2. STUDY DETAILS / STATUS

University:

Department/Chair:

Thesis supervisor:

Date of assessment:

Current employer (if applicable):

3. THESIS DETAILS

Method of submission:

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Bachelor

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Master

Titel of the thesis:

- a. Please summarise your thesis, with which you are applying for the YPAL 2027, in a maximum of 8,000 characters (including spaces). It should include the purpose, the key points, a description of the results, conclusions and recommendations.

- b. How did you come up with the topic? (max. 1,000 characters)

- c. Are there any existing academic works on the topic of your thesis? If so, which ones?
- d. What methodology did you use?
- e. Does your work yield any new insights for the logistics sector, and if so, what are they? (max. 1,000 characters)
- f. Is further academic research in this area necessary or worthwhile? What form would such research take? (max. 1,000 characters)

4. ENTRY CRITERIA

- a. The initiator and sponsor of the prize is Logistik-Initiative Hamburg Management GmbH (LIHH)
- b. The thesis must have been written at an institute or department within the Hamburg Metropolitan Region* (MRH). (* <https://metropolregion.hamburg.de/karte>)
- c. The thesis must address a research question relevant to logistics.
- d. The thesis must have been completed and assessed between 1 January 2025 and 31 October 2026.
- e. The thesis may be written in German or English.
- f. Submissions must include the **fully completed application form** (PDF), a high-resolution **portrait photograph**, the **complete thesis** (PDF) and the **degree certificate or written confirmation of successful completion**. All documents must be sent together **by email** to ypal@hamburg-logistik.net.
- g. All application documents must be submitted by 30 November 2026. Documents submitted after this date cannot be considered. The jury's decision on the three finalists is expected by 31 January 2027.
- h. All application documents that meet the conditions of participation will be submitted to a jury for assessment. The jury's assessment is based on criteria set by the award's organiser and a points system. The jury's decision is final and cannot be contested. Legal recourse is excluded. All members of the jury have signed a confidentiality agreement. Members of the jury who have a connection to an applicant or are employed by the industry partner must abstain from voting.
- i. The person submitting the entry undertakes to deliver a short pitch (3 minutes) at the 'Logistics Meets Science' event should they be placed in the top three. Following this, the winner will be awarded the YPAL 2027.
It is planned to hold the award ceremony as part of the 'Logistics Meets Science' event on **22 February 2027**. The organiser of the award reserves the right to hold the event in a different format and on a different date.
- j. The winner is entitled to promote the title and the year of the win in their CV. To this end, they are granted the simple, non-transferable and revocable right to use the title 'Winner of the Young Professionals' Award Logistics 2027'. The organiser reserves the right to revoke this right, in particular should the winner abuse it by causing harm to or publicly disparaging the prize, the organiser or any persons or institutions associated with the organiser in connection with the prize.
- k. The applicant warrants that the submitted work does not infringe the rights of any third parties. He or she agrees that the information submitted may be published and warrants that the consent of all parties involved has been obtained for publication. The organiser cannot be held liable for any infringements of third-party rights. The applicant shall, upon first request, indemnify the organiser against all claims for liability in this regard.
- l. The applicant hereby confirms that all information provided is truthful and given to the best of their knowledge and belief, and agrees that the organiser may request further details or supporting documentation regarding all or specific details provided by the applicant.
- m. By submitting their application, the applicant consents to photographs and/or video recordings being taken of them during the event, which may be published by Logistik-Initiative Hamburg Management GmbH and its partners for press and public relations purposes (in print and online).

By submitting your complete application documents, you confirm the accuracy of the above information and accept the terms and conditions of participation.

I hereby submit the above-mentioned entry to the YPAL 2027 competition.

Date / Place / Name

(digital) signature

If you have any questions regarding your application, the selection process, etc., please contact the LIHH team at ypal@hamburg-logistik.net