

Young Consultant of The Year 2026 competition instructions

Competition terms:

- The competitor must currently work at a SKOL member company on tasks related to design, consulting, or thesis work within the past year. The tasks could relate to environmental, cultural, or societal planning or consulting.
- The candidate must have graduated no more than five years ago **OR** be currently studying at a university of applied sciences or a university. In addition to students studying in fields of engineering, those who have studied non-technical fields, such as biology, environmental sciences, or sociology, are eligible to apply for the competition.
- The candidate must be 35 years of age or younger.
- The person nominated for the competition must have shown an interest to the field and have demonstrated their professional knowledge and skills during their employment.
- One member company can nominate a maximum of three participants to the competition.
- The company can only nominate a person who was last employed by a SKOL member company.

Competition application:

- a) Application form, which includes letters of recommendation from the supervisor and at least one colleague, and a motivation letter written by the candidate.
- b) CV of the candidate

Link to the application (opens on 1.6.2026):

<https://link.webropolsurveys.com/S/9B2AE5175FBAB1A5>

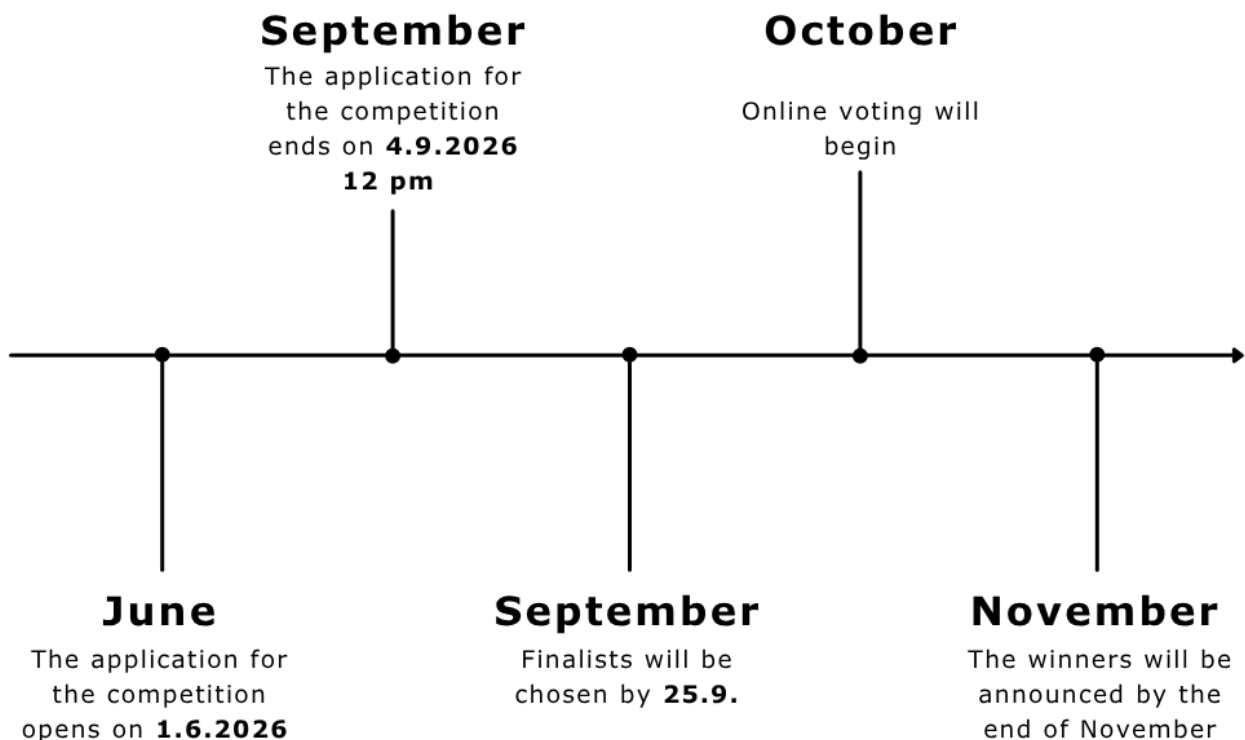
Evaluation criteria:

1. Success in work tasks and the ability to contribute to the success of the team/project
2. Enthusiasm to learn new things, develop skills, and an open-minded attitude
3. Interest, activeness and enthusiasm for the field and promotion of the industry's positive image and appeal (For example, activities during studies in guilds or associations and other organizations.)

Prize

A cash prize in the competition. In the competition, one Young Consultant of the Year will be awarded a prize worth 4,000e, and two honorable mention recipients will be awarded a prize worth 2,000e.

Competition schedule:



June

The application for the competition opens on **1.6.2026**

September

The application for the competition ends on **4.9.2026 12 pm**

September

The pre-selection committee of the competition will meet during September and the contestants selected for the next stage will be notified of their selection by the end of the month.

October

Presentation videos of the contestants who have made it to the next stage are filmed for the online voting of the competition.

Online voting will open in October, when the presentation videos will be uploaded to SKOL's website. We will announce a more detailed schedule later.

Finalists and member companies can share their videos on their own social media channels.

November

Announcement of the winners at the SKOL fall seminar by the end of November.

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