

## HPCC SYSTEMS®

## TECHNICAL POSTER PRESENTATION CONTEST 2021

**Official Rules - NO PURCHASE OR PAYMENT IS NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN.**

The promoter of this competition is LexisNexis Risk Data Management Inc. d/b/a HPCC SYSTEMS ("Sponsor"), a company incorporated in Florida with its registered office located at 1000 Alderman Drive, Alpharetta, GA 30005.

**1. ELIGIBILITY:** The HPCC SYSTEMS Technical Poster Presentation Contest ("**Contest**") is open only to the legal residents of:

- fifty (50) states of the United States and the District of Columbia (void, Puerto Rico, all U.S. territories, and wherever prohibited or restricted by law); and
- the United Kingdom (excluding Northern Ireland);
- Brazil; and
- India,

who are at least eighteen (18) years of age or older as of the date of entry, or a minor participating in our HPCC Systems internship program with parental consent, and have access to the Internet and an email account during the Contest Entry Period (defined below) and subsequent Prize Award Period (as defined below). Accepted entrants **must be able to present to the judges remotely at a designated time period, during the HPCC Systems Technical Poster Presentation Contest 2021, leading up to the 2021 HPCC Systems Community Virtual Event** happening in October 2021 (the "**Presentation Contest Event**"). Presentation to the judges will take place via Microsoft Teams. Questions regarding the Presentation Contest Event may be directed at the following email address: [hpcsummit@hpccsystems.com](mailto:hpcsummit@hpccsystems.com)

All employees (excluding any summer intern employees of Sponsor) of Sponsor, its parent corporation, subsidiaries, affiliates, sales representatives, distributors, licensees, prize providers, contractors or agents (all of the foregoing, together with Sponsor collectively, "**Contest Entities**"), and their immediate family members (spouse, parent, child, sibling and their respective spouses) and those living in the same household of each (whether legally related or not), are ineligible to enter or win the Contest. All applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations apply. Entry in the Contest constitutes your full and unconditional acceptance of these official rules ("**Official Rules**"), including, but not limited to, your consent to receive email messages from the Contest Entities solely in connection with the Contest.

**2. CONTEST ENTRY PERIOD:** The Contest entry period begins on April 30, 2021 and ends on **August 13 2021** at 5:00pm ET (the "**Contest Entry Period**"). Any entries received outside of the Contest Entry Period will be invalid.

**3. CONTEST ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS:** To enter the Contest you must submit your Online Submission (as defined below) via email to [hpcsummit@hpccsystems.com](mailto:hpcsummit@hpccsystems.com). In the email you must include your Online Submission, name, email address, physical address, affiliated university or school, and the subject line **HPCC SYSTEMS "Technical Poster Presentations Contest 2021"**. Entries must be received by August 13, 2021 at 5:00pm ET, to be considered for the Contest. Accepted entrants will be notified by the Presentation Contest Event committee to submit the hi-res pdf or ppt version of their poster, along with a 5 minute video submission of their presentation, by September 3, 2021. Posters from accepted submissions will be made available for the designated judging period.

Maximum of one (1) entry per person, per email address, and per household. Any attempts by an entrant to submit more than one (1) entry into this Contest will result in such entrant being disqualified.

In order to enter, you must submit one (1) entry of an abstract of 500 words or less outlining the contents of the presented poster. The abstract should include a description of specific research or implementation examples leveraging HPCC Systems®, also include the poster title, author name and affiliation ("**Online Submission**").

Other tips to enhance your poster presentation include:

- Incorporating large fonts and effective visuals, such as screenshots, diagrams, tables, images, etc.
- Incorporating creativity in designing the poster to attract people's attention. For example, use a laptop or tablet to display videos or present additional materials.
- Providing live demonstration or code if needed.
- Providing handouts or links are recommended and are the responsibility of the poster presenter.
- Additional poster design tips can be found here courtesy of North Carolina State University: <https://www.ncsu.edu/project/posters/>
- Tips on producing a video presentation of your poster can be found here courtesy of the Columbia University Data Science Day 2020: <https://www.datascienceday.net/poster-session>
- Posters and video presentations from the 2020 HPCC Systems Poster Competition can be viewed here as reference: <https://wiki.hpccsystems.com/display/hpcc/HPCC+Systems+Technical+Presentations+2020>

Online Submissions exceeding the length requirement, displaying or containing profanity or that are obscene or otherwise inappropriate (as determined by Sponsor) will be disqualified, as will Online Submissions that violate copyright laws or infringe on any third party rights. Online Submissions will be deemed submitted by the authorized account holder of the account or email address through which the Online Submission was submitted.

**All Online Submissions shall be governed by the Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License at the following link <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/legalcode>.**

All entrants must then attend during an agreed upon time period, via remotely, the Presentation Contest Event in order to give a presentation to the judges on their poster. Exact time will be communicated at least two weeks prior to the event. All poster presentations will be virtually displayed throughout the Community Virtual Event in October 2021.

**4. SELECTION OF CONTEST WINNERS:** When the Contest Entry Period closes, all Online Submissions will be reviewed by a panel of judges selected by Sponsor, including an independent judge ("**Judges**"). The Judges will also review all entrants' poster presentations during the Presentation Contest Event. The Judges will select what they deem in their sole discretion to be the top prize winners ("**Prize Winners**") in the award categories of Platform Enhancement, Data Analytics, Use Case, and Research based on the following judging criteria:

- (a) Content - looking at the originality, the relevance to the HPCC Systems and the relevance to the conference theme;
- (b) Poster Design - looking at the organization, the visual appeal and the relationship with the content; and
- (c) Presentation – looking at your communication, the flow of the presentation and the clarity of the presentation.

A fifth category of Community Choice Award will be judged by the attendees during the Community Virtual Event. All poster entrants are eligible to win the Community Choice Award. Voting will occur via the event virtual app and the winner selected by securing the highest total of votes received from the attendees.

In the event of a tie, the Judges will break the tie by randomly selecting an entry from all tied entries as one to be included in the Top 4 and/or Community Choice Award. Decisions of the Judges are final and binding with respect to all matters related to the Contest. Odds of winning will depend on the number of eligible entries received during the Contest Entry Period.

At the sole discretion of the Sponsor, disqualification, forfeiture and the selection of an alternate winner may result from any of the following: (1) a potential Prize Winner's failure to respond to notification promptly after its transmissions; (2) the return of an email notification as undeliverable after three (3) attempts; (3) a potential Prize Winner's failure to provide Sponsor with satisfactory proof of age, identity and residency; (4) a potential Prize Winner's failure to validly claim the prize by December 31, 2021; (5) any failure by a prize winner to attend the Presentation Contest Event; and (6) any other non-compliance with the Official Rules. In the event of prize forfeiture, the Sponsor may, in its sole discretion, award or not award the forfeited prize to an alternate winner.

**5. WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT:** Winners will be announced during the awards ceremony at the Presentation Contest Event in October 2021. Entrants can attend the award ceremony via the livestream. The names and abstracts of the Prize Winners will be posted at <https://hpccsystems.com> following the event.

- 6. PRIZES:** There are a total of five prizes (the “Prizes”) available to be won in this Contest and will be awarded to the top winner in each category of eligible entries: Platform Enhancement, Data Analytics, Use Case, Research, and Community Choice Award. The prizes consist of a \$250 Amazon gift card, or equivalent amount in winner’s local currency. All expenses not specifically mentioned herein are not included as part of any prize package, and are solely the Prize Winner’s responsibility.

Prizes are not redeemable for cash or transferable, except to a surviving spouse residing in the same household. No substitution is allowed except, at the Sponsor’s sole discretion, a prize of equal or greater value may be substituted. The Prizes will be awarded provided they are validly claimed by December 31, 2021 after which no alternate winners will be selected, nor unclaimed prizes awarded. The Prizes will be digitally shipped only to addresses in the United States, United Kingdom, Brazil and India.

- 7. PUBLICITY:** As a condition of entry into the Contest, except where prohibited by law, each entrant by entering and each Prize Winner by accepting a Prize grants to the Contest Entities a perpetual, worldwide, royalty-free license and right to publicize, display and/or otherwise use the Contest entrant’s name, county, city/country, Online Submission and all material relating to the poster submitted by the Contest entrant (collectively, “**Licensed Rights**”), in any media now known or hereafter devised throughout the world in perpetuity for advertising and publicity purposes.

For India residents, each entrant and each Prize Winner agrees that, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 19 (4) of the Indian Copyright Act, 1957, any license of Licensed Rights to the Contest Entities as per this paragraph 7 shall not lapse nor, shall the rights assigned revert to the entrant or Prize Winner, even if the Contest Entities do not exercise the Licensed Rights within a period of 1 year from the date of its license.

- 8. GENERAL RULES:** By entering or participating in the Contest, participants agree to be bound by these Official Rules, the terms and conditions of the Contest Entities’ websites, and by the decisions of Sponsor, which are final and binding in all respects. Contest Entities are not responsible for: (1) any incorrect or inaccurate information or technical failures of any kind, (2) unauthorized human intervention in any part of the entry process or the Contest; or (3) any other computer, network, technical, human or other error, problem or malfunction that may occur in connection with the administration of the Contest, the processing of entries, or the selection or notification of winners. Further, if, for any reason, the Contest is not capable of running as planned for reasons outside the control of the Sponsor which, in the sole opinion of Sponsor, may corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of the Contest (or portion thereof), Sponsor reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to postpone, modify or suspend the Contest (or portion thereof). In the event of such cancellation, termination, modification or suspension, Sponsor reserves the right to select the Prize Winners from all eligible, non-suspect entries received prior to such action.

Sponsor also reserves the right at its sole discretion to disqualify the entry of any individual found to be (a) tampering or attempting to tamper with the entry process or the operation of the Contest or any website operated by the Contest Entities; (b) using any robotic, macro, automatic, programmed or like entry methods, which will void all such entries; (c) violating these Official Rules or the terms of service, conditions of use, and/or general rules of any Sponsor property or service; or (d) acting in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner, or with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten, or harass any other person. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, Contest Entities are not responsible for claims, injuries, losses or damages of any kind resulting, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, from the awarding, delivery, acceptance, use, misuse, possession, loss or misdirection of the Prizes; participation in this Contest or in any activity or travel related thereto or from any interaction with any computer. Contest Entities make no warranties, and hereby disclaim any and all warranties, express or implied, concerning any Prizes furnished in connection with this Contest. These Official Rules may be updated by the Contest Entities.

Any disputes that may arise hereunder shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of Georgia without regard to the conflicts of laws principles of any jurisdiction. Venue with respect to any such disputes shall be had in the state and federal courts of the State of Georgia. However, if you are a consumer and you live in a European Union member state in which this Contest is being run you will benefit from any mandatory provisions of the law of the member state in which you are resident and can bring legal proceedings in the courts of that member state.

The Sponsor’s failure to enforce any term of these Official Rules shall not constitute a waiver of that provision and will not mean that you do not have to comply with those obligations.

In any cause of action, the Contest Entities’ liability will be limited to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), and in no

event shall the Contest Entities be liable for attorneys' fees and/or experts' fees and costs. By participating in the Contest, each entrant waives the right to claim any additional damages whatsoever, including, but not limited to, punitive, consequential, incidental or indirect damages.

**9. PERSONAL INFORMATION:** All personal data submitted in connection with the Contest will be processed by the Sponsor for the purposes of administering and managing the Contest and prizes (where applicable) and verifying the eligibility of each entrant, subject to the LexisNexis Risk Solutions Privacy Policy located at <https://risk.lexisnexis.com/privacy-policy>. By participating in the Contest, each entrant gives his consent towards the collection, processing and transfer of such data by the Contest Entities.