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## NordiCHI 2014 Student Design Competition

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The NordicHI (*Nordic Conference on Human-Computer Interaction*) has lunched, for its 2014 edition, a **Student Design Competition** aiming at supplementing its program with unconventional and visionary entries and inviting the makers of a human-centered future to join the community.

The topic of *NordiCHI 2014 Student Design Competition* deals with the links of interaction design and design of emerging digital solutions with the long tradition of material based design and craft. They ask the participants to pay attention to what high quality craftsmanship is, to the touch and feel of natural material and the combinations and/or transformations of these qualities in the domain of interaction design.

The topic of the competition is tied to the application of a particular material in design. That material is **leather**. The actual material needs to be part of the proposed concept or pattern  $\hat{a} \in$  or the context of use of the concept should be such that it connects the concept to leather.

Moreover, linking the designs with the conference themes â€" fun, fast, foundational â€" would be an additional merit for the entries.

The competition follows a two-phase process:

• First, the student teams shall submit a short max 6-page paper in extended abstracts format. A panel of experts will evaluate the submissions and a maximum of five teams will be selected to the finals at the *NordiCHI 2014* conference.

• Second, the finalists will give an oral presentation to a panel of Competition Judges and *NordiCHI 2014* conference attendees and display their project outcomes in a demo session. The judges will rank the entries and identify the winner of the competition.

## There is no entry fee.

## Eligibility

Submissions are invited worldwide from all students at all stages of their university careers, from undergraduate to postgraduate.

While not a requirement, it is encouraged that the teams put forward a cross-disciplinary multinational team. The teams must consist of at least two, but no more than four students. There is no limit to the number of teams that may compete from any given University or organization.

## Prize

The **top three entries** earn a Certificate of Recognition. The winning entry will be recognized during the *NordiCHI 2014* conference and will receive a special award at the conference. Attendance at the *NordiCHI 2014* conference is mandatory for the finalists.

The conference will be held in **Helsinki**, Finland (October 26th-30th 2014).