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European Statistics Competition

What are the main highlights of this year's European finals?

Over 11,000 students from 16 European countries signed up for the fourth edition of the European Statistics Competition. 61 teams participated in the European finals where they prepared a video on the topic »Information and disinformation: Official statistics in world overflowing with data«. Teams were very creative and demonstrated in various ways the importance of official statistical data in everyday life.

The four final teams from Slovenia prepared very different and interesting videos:

Video of the team PROJEKT2.0, Gimnazija Murska Sobota

Video of the team TEGLZAROŽE, Gimnazija Franca Miklošiča Ljutomer

Video of the team GIMVEL, Gimnazija Velenje

Video of the team PLAN_XY, Gimnazija Kranj

A jury of European experts selected the top five videos in both the age group 14–16 and the age group 16–18. The winners of each category will receive their prize at a virtual award ceremony that will take place on 16 June 2021 at 17:00 CEST.

Who are the winners and where do they come from?

The top five teams and their videos in the age group 14–16 (category B)

1. TEGLZAROŽE from Slovenia



2. Lusitanos from Portugal
3. GIMNACK21 from Croatia
4. AEROSTATS from France
5. ESPRO from Cyprus

The top five teams and their videos in the age group 16–18 (category A)

1. VERDE from Portugal



2. MARIE from Belgium

3. STATHLETES from Croatia

4. PLAN_XY from Slovenia

5. STATS A-ALPEON from Ireland

Among 74 received research papers, four were determined as winners of the competition

This year's task of all teams participating at the national level was to analyse the statistical data in the field of environmental statistics. Teams prepared a variety of presentations on waste and water statistics as well as finances intended for environmental protection and showed the situation of the last few years at the level of Slovenian statistical regions, partly also at the municipal level.

The expert jury reviewed all research papers and pre-selected 10 finalists in each category of the competition (category A - the last two years of upper secondary schools, category B - the first two years of upper secondary schools).

Among finalists, the expert jury determined two winners, while the other two were selected by public voting taking place on Facebook between 16 and 23 March 2021.

And who are the four winning teams this year?

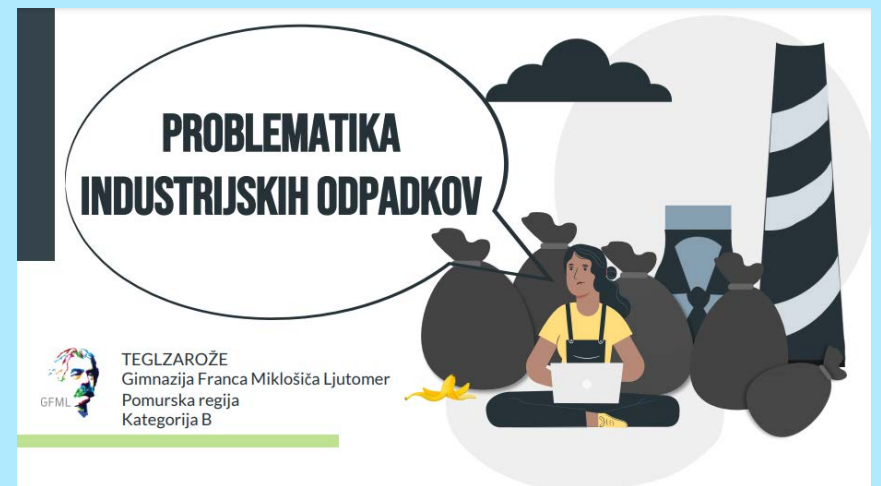
Winners determined by the expert jury

The best-ranked research paper in **category A** was prepared by the team PLAN_XY from Gimnazija Kranj and the research paper of the team TEGLZAROŽE from Gimnazija Franca Miklošiča Ljutomer was ranked the best in **category B**.

The winning team of **category A**:
PLAN_XY, Gimnazija Kranj



The winning team of **category B**:
TEGLZAROŽE, Gimnazija Franca Miklošiča Ljutomer



The winners of the public choice

According to the public choice, the winning team in **category A** is the team GIMVEL from Gimnazija Velenje and in **category B** the team PROJEKT 2.0 from Gimnazija Murska Sobota.

The public choice winning team of **category A**:
team GIMVEL, Gimnazija Velenje



The public choice winning team of **category B**:
team PROJEKT 2.0, Gimnazija Murska Sobota



Which other teams have also proven themselves?

The expert jury also declared the second and third ranked teams in each category:

- in **category A** these are the team GIMVEL from Gimnazija Velenje and the team STATISTI1 from Gimnazija Lava;
- in **category B** these are the team DEADSIRIUS from Gimnazija Novo mesto and the team TRGAMOGATE from Gimnazija Murska Sobota.

All mentioned teams will be awarded for their achievements as well as one of the voters who participated in the public choice; the latter has already been selected by a draw and will receive an award.

We congratulate all participants of the national part of the competition for their achievements and invite them to join the competition again next year.

What follows now?

Now comes the last act of this year's competition. This will be participating in the European Finals where all four winning teams will get the chance to compete with their peers from 15 other European countries. Their last task will be to prepare a two-minute video on the topic: »Information and disinformation: Official statistics in world overflowing with data« (only in Slovene). This year teams are expected to include in the video all references to the sources of data and other material (such as images, music). As in the previous years, they will also have to prepare a short document explaining the creation process of the video. Teams will have to submit their videos no later than 9 May 2021.

More details about the European Finals are available in the Rules of the European part of the 4th European Statistics Competition (only in Slovene). The outcome of the European level will be revealed on 31 May 2021. We will publish the information about it on this website.

We wish the four participating teams representing Slovenia in the final a lot of inspiration and good luck with the video evaluation.

What is the European Statistics Competition?

The European Statistics Competition (ESC) is an international competition addressed to upper secondary school pupils. The Slovenian Statistical Office organizes the competition in cooperation with Eurostat and the Slovenian Statistical Society. This year is its fourth edition. Along the competition, the participating pupils and their mentors get familiar with statistics and official statistical sources. Competitors try out their skills in different areas of statistical literacy such as solving various statistical problems, searching for data and preparing statistical analyses. In addition, participants also get to know many interesting data on Slovenia and the European countries, and have a chance to use various software tools for data processing and data visualization.



How does the competition look like?

The competition is structured in two phases: national and European.

Within the national phase, participants compete firstly at the school level. If they qualify for the national competition level and end among the winners, they also take part in the ESC Finals. Winners are selected by the expert jury. A special competition category of public choice award also takes place as public voting on Facebook and enables anybody to take part in the selection of two teams with the best research paper.

[Rules for the national phase \(only in Slovene\)](#)

[Rules for the European phase \(only in Slovene\)](#)

What is the competition timeline like?

THE SCHOOL LEVEL: 1–21 December 2020

The announcement of results: 6 January 2021

THE NATIONAL LEVEL: 13 January – 15 February 2021

The announcement of results: 29 March 2021

Award ceremony of the national phase: foreseen in April 2021

THE EUROPEAN FINALS: 29 March – 9 May 2021

The announcement of results: 31 May 2021

Award ceremony of the European phase: foreseen in June 2021

Where and when can you register for the competition?



Registration period: 20 October – 30 November 2020



Registration form is available [here](#) (only in Slovene)

Conditions of participation:

- The ESC is open for registration to all upper secondary school pupils.
- Pupils can take part as one-, two- or three-member teams and compete in one of the two categories according to their age:
 - **Category A:** pupils in the last two courses of upper secondary education (approx. 16–18 or 19 years old).
 - **Category B:** pupils in the first two courses of upper secondary education (approx. 14–16 years old).
- Each team needs to have a mentor, i.e. a teacher from their school.
- Teams must be registered by their mentors.

What about the prizes and recognitions?

The main award at the national level: electronic device (worth up to EUR 250)

- It will be awarded to each team member and mentor in both categories that will prove themselves best in statistics and statistical literacy at the national part of the competition.

The public choice award for winners: electronic device (worth up to EUR 150)

- It will be awarded to each team member and mentor in both categories that will receive the most votes in public voting on Facebook.

Award for participating in the competition: promotional T-shirt

- It will be awarded to each team member and mentor that will have a positive score of total points at the school level of the competition.

According to the results, team members can also receive bronze awards at the school level and silver or gold awards at the national level of the competition.

Circumstances permitting, winners will receive their awards at the award ceremony in person. Otherwise, the ceremony will be organised as a virtual event. Details in this regard will be available at a later point.

The European Statistics Competition is co-financed by the EU.

More information about the competition

We have prepared some examples of questions with solutions from the previous school level of the competition which are available [here](#) (only in Slovene).

Some additional information is also available in the [Frequently Asked Question](#) (only in Slovene).

In November, we plan to organise online workshops for teachers. They will include different statistical literacy topics. Dates and detailed information can be found [here](#) (only in Slovene).



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Past editions of the competition:

[1st European Statistics Competition](#)

[2nd European Statistics Competition](#)

[3rd European Statistics Competition](#)