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Thank you for your interest in the 2025 University of Bristol Early Career Publishing Prize. Please make sure you have read all the Supporting Information for you and your PhD supervisor before an application is submitted. The application should consist of:

1. A completed copy of this form
2. A sample chapter from your thesis

Please submit these or questions about the process to [open-research-prize@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:open-research-prize@bristol.ac.uk)

**The deadline for submissions is Monday 17th March 2025.**

**The winner will be notified by Wednesday 26th March and invited to an online celebratory event during Open Research Week (31st March - 4th April) when the ECR Publishing Prize 2025 will be announced.**

**Your Details**

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**Thesis Details**

Thesis title:

Link to online thesis:

Year of completion:

Name of supervisor(s):

**Supervisor’s Supporting Information**

*To be completed by the Supervisor in support of the application. If a PhD has multiple supervisors, only one needs to complete this section.*

Supervisor’s name:

Supervisor’s email address:

Supervisor's supporting statement:

*What is the significance of the proposed book, and what does it bring to the subject area that is new? How has the applicant demonstrated their ability to write and edit their research in response to editorial comments? Any other information that is relevant to this application.*

*Please use as many lines as required.*

Thesis examination:

*Please indicate if the thesis received a Letter of Excellence, and the level of corrections required (check each box that applies; one box minimum* ***must*** *be ticked).*

Letter of Excellence

Thesis awarded with minor corrections only

Candidate received a strong recommendation to publish as a monograph in the examiner’s comments

Supervisor’s signature:

**Applicant’s Open Research Supporting Statement**

*This statement should describe one or more of the following:*

* *evidence of excellence in one of the [[*link to OR criteria -[*open research practices*](mailto:https://www.bristol.ac.uk/staff/researchers/open-research/previous-events/gw4-open-research-prize-2023/how-to-enter-open-research-prize/)*]] listed on our prize pages (e.g. made underpinning data openly available, or incorporated open and participatory methods in the design and conduct of research).*
* *evidence that the research has been made possible due to the open research practices of others (e.g. has made clear use of the FAIR data/preprints/etc. of other researchers)*
* *a strong case that publishing open access would be of especial benefit and importance due to the nature of the topic/subject (e.g. multidisciplinary work addressing global challenges and the SDGs)*

**Applicant’s monograph proposal (max 600 words)**

Outline the publication’s scope and coverage, and highlight its originality. You could also include details about how you anticipate transforming your thesis into a monograph.

*You should consider:*

* What themes, concepts and ideas will you develop?
* Why does a book need to be written on your proposed topic and what is original about the content or your particular approach?
* What is the work’s topicality or academic or policy relevance?
* What, if any, are the deliberate omissions? And why?
* What impact would you like your book to have?

**Provisional list of Chapters**

This should include chapter synopses of max 100 words.

**Publishing Agreement Conditions**

The winner of the Early Career Publishing Prize will see their monograph proposal taken through the full [Bristol University Press (BUP)](https://bristoluniversitypress.co.uk/) commissioning process (including peer review), with the BUP Editorial Board signing off a monograph which meet BUP’s rigorous requirements.

If your proposal is commissioned, publishing fees will be paid, and commissioned authors will be fully supported through the publishing process.

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Please sign below to confirm that the proposal is not currently being considered by any other publisher and that you will wait for an Editorial Board decision before submitting elsewhere.

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