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The RTSI 2024 forum includes a **YP Pitch competition**, that consists of making a short and captivating presentation (3 minutes) related to specific YP activities, both from industry and Academia.

During the forum (September 18-20, 2024), a slot will be dedicated to present YP pitch presentations. An evaluation committee will rank all pitch presentations, and the best one will be awarded with a prize (certificate).

The pitch presentations will be judged on the basis of originality, clarity and by considering the ability to effectively convey to the key-points of each presented idea.

Please, submit your contribution by using the **abstract format** (max. 1 page in English), in which the key-ideas of the work are effectively summarized.

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