



NITheCS Chapter Final: InSPiR2eS Global Pitching Research Competition

Wednesday, 17 September 2025 | 14h00-17h00 SAST

Venues: Online | EMS Faculty boardroom, CGW Schumann Building, Stellenbosch University

Join us for the exciting **NITheCS Chapter Final of the InSPiR2eS Global Pitching Research Competition (IGPRC2025)** and support our outstanding finalists.

The three shortlisted candidates will deliver concise, innovative oral pitches of their research using the InSPiR2eS Pitching Research Framework. Prof Robert Faff (Research Professor, Corvinus University of Budapest), developer of the framework, will attend in person as a judge.

FINALISTS & RESEARCH:

Nelson Kyakutwika
*Parsimonious Mixed
Bergomi Model: A
Simplified Calibration
Framework for VIX
Derivatives*

Mulweli Prince Rembuluwani
*Mathematical and Machine
Learning Approaches for Early
Detection of Financial Fraud in
Cryptocurrency Transactions
Targeting Youth in South Africa*

Teboho Mochai
*From Representation to
Emotion: Getting VAD
Scores via Deep Learning
Frameworks for Emotion
Classification from Text*

PRIZES:

- Cash prizes
- A place in the all-Africa competition (where the winner earns €1,000 and a spot in the IGPRC2025 Global Grand Final)

This event is a unique platform for Higher Degree by Research students to showcase cutting-edge research, build connections, and gain global exposure.

REGISTER TO ATTEND: <https://bit.ly/4ghxAgG>

