

SOURCE Prize_24

Award given to the best Master thesis written in the area of sustainable and nature positive development of housing for recreational use

About SOURCE:

Sustainable and nature positive development of housing for Recreational use

The main goal of SOURCE is to begin this transformation for small and medium-sized businesses (SMB) in Trøndelag & Jämtland-Härjedalen. The project's target group is SMBs, authorities, and research institutes related to the development of a more sustainable and nature-positive recreation industry.

Research area for submitting a Master thesis for SOURCE prize:

To be considered for this prize, the Master thesis must sit within the theme "sustainable and nature positive development of housing for recreational use in Norway" hereunder the specific disciplinary areas of *planning for; design of; development of; evaluation of and/or management of leisure community development*. The research can address the theme by applying a research methodology to address the problem statement. The findings must be based on collection and analysis of primary data.

A key aim of the SOURCE project is to inform growth and development of a circular economy. As such, theses that link to circular economy themes are particularly encouraged. In this respect, a circular economy is understood in terms of establishing and operating holiday homes in cabin areas with the perspective of utilizing less raw resources and/or ways to keeping resources longer in the cycle. This could involve the following:

- Mapping of good examples of sustainable and circular holiday home construction, regionally and internationally
- Development of concepts and prototypes for sustainable holiday homes
- Development of contemporary products by further developing existing solutions.

About the SOURCE Prize_24

SOURCE awards a prize to best Master thesis on a related topic an event coordinated (in the autumn of the relevant year), where the recipient will be invited to make a presentation. The prize is 20.000NOK and will be given in the academic years 23-24; 24-25; and 25-26.

How to enter:

The prize is open to all Master students at NTNU who have completed and received a grade for their thesis in the relevant academic year (i.e. 23-24). The thesis should have been awarded a "C" grade or better. Supervisors, examiners and students can all nominate a thesis for consideration by filling out an online form before the deadline.

How the prizewinner will be decided:

The Head of the Department of Architecture & Planning nominates a three-person prize committee, at least one of whom is a current PhD student.

Specific criteria will be:

- Academic quality (50%)
- Relevance to practice (25%)
- Knowledge creation (25%)

The decision by the prize committee is final.