**Global essay competition**

**Young Voices in the Chemical Sciences for Sustainability**

**2025 Competition theme:**

**From waste to wealth: how chemical sciences can sustainably transform waste into valuable products.**

**ENTRY FORM\***

**\*Note: every box MUST be completed**

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| **PERSONAL DETAILS\*** |  |
| Surname (Family name) |  |
| Given names |  |
| Date of birth | [day, month, year] |
| Country of birth |  |
| Nationality at birth |  |
| Present nationality |  |
| Home (permanent) address |  |
| Present address (if different from home address) |  |
| Institutional address (the place where you are studying or working at the time when you submit your essay). |  |
| Email address |  |
| Mobile phone number including Country Code  (if this can be used for text messages regarding the Competition) |  |
| Gender | [M/F/other/prefer not to say] |
| **ESSAY DETAILS\*** |  |
| Title of essay |  |
| Number of words in main text (excluding words in title and any references, tables or figures) |  |

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| **ATTESTATION**  I confirm that:   * The essay I am submitting with this form is entirely my own work and was written without assistance from any other person or from the use of artificial intelligence-powered tools. Any Figures or Tables I have included are original: they were constructed by me and have not been copied/redrawn from material published elsewhere by me or by others. * If considered for shortlisting, I agree to provide any documentary evidence requested to confirm the personal details I have given. * If considered for shortlisting, I agree to provide materials that will be required for publication by the RSC or IOCD, including a Graphical Abstract and a photograph and biosketch of myself, as well as a Statement on the use of AI, following RSC Guidelines. * To the best of my knowledge, all the information I have provided on this form is true. * I have read the IOCD Competition Rules and Guidance Note and I agree to abide by the conditions of this Competition and to accept the decisions of the judges as final. | |
| **Signed:** | [Insert printed name or image of signature here] |
| **Date:** | [day, month, year] |

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| **For entrants who are under 18 years old on the Competition closing date of 31 March 2025:**  ***Consent from Parent or Guardian*\*** | |
| I consent that [Insert entrant’s name here]is submitting this entry for the 2025 IOCD Essay Competition and that, if selected, the essay will be published as a Winner or Finalist, which will include details of the entrant’s name, work address or institutional affiliation, and contact details. | |
| **Signed:** | [Insert printed name and image of signature here]  [name] |
| **Relationship to entrant:** | [parent/guardian] |
| **Date:** | [day, month, year] |

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This completed form must be submitted to [essay@iocd.org](mailto:essay@iocd.org), along with the Essay, both as Word documents, NOT LATER THAN midnight GMT on 31 March 2025.