

Politehnica University Timișoara Award for EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH Assoc. Prof. Călin Adrian POPA, PhD

At the end of the year, Politehnica University Timișoara awarded the “Excellence in Research” prizes to young people who achieved remarkable results during the academic year 2017-2018.

Călin-Adrian Popa is an Associate Professor at the Department of Computers and Information Technology from the Faculty of Automation and Computers. His research activity is mainly focused on the field of machine learning in general, and neural networks in particular. In the years 2017-2018, he published, as the only author (with one exception), 3 papers in ISI journals in the Q1 quartile, and 1 paper in an ISI journal in the Q2 quartile, 2 of them at the famous journal *Neural Networks*, which has an impact factor of 7,19. Also, in the same period, he published, as the only author (with one exception), 14 papers at ISI conferences, 5 of them at the famous International Joint Conference on Neural Networks (IJCNN), the most

important and prestigious conference in the field of neural networks. He was the director of the project PCD-TC-2017-41, granted in the internal competition „Proiecte de Cercetare, Dezvoltare pentru Tineri Cercetători (PCD-TC)” (Projects of Research, Development for Young Researchers), organized by the Politehnica University Timișoara. Starting with the same period, as a recognition of his research activity, he was appointed reviewer for 9 ISI journals in the Q1 quartile and for 3 ISI journals in the Q2 quartile, including the famous journal *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems*, which has an impact factor of 7,98.

