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The Society of Friends of the DIW Berlin will honor the best three papers and the best poster presented at the conference. The SOEP2012 program committee will act as a jury and will present the award at the end of the conference.

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