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# **ESSAY COMPETITION**

# **Rethinking Economic Policy**

Identify an issue that calls for a new perspective in economic policy and outline an innovative solution.

> Winner: €400 2nd place: €200 3rd place: €100

Deadline: 31 October 2017

The winner will be invited to a discussion event at the Free University of Berlin in January 2018, for which travel costs will be reimbursed up to a maximum of € 700.

> For details and submission guidelines visit policycorner.org/competition



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The Policy Corner is delighted to invite all students and early career professionals of ages 30 years and under to take part in our 2017 essay competition *Rethinking Economic Policy*.

With the generous support of the *Young Scholars Initiative* at the *Institute for New Economic Thinking*, we are offering cash prizes for the three best articles (€400, €200, and €100) and will invite the winners to Berlin for a discussion event with invited experts. Submissions close on October 31, 2017.

# **Essay Topic**

Identify an issue that calls for a new perspective in economic policy and outline an innovative solution.

# **Prizes**

The monetary prizes will be as follows:

First place: €400 Second place: €200 Third place: €100

All three winners will be invited to Berlin to present their ideas at a discussion event with expert speakers in January 2018. Travel costs will be reimbursed up to €700 for the first place winner, and remaining funds will be offered to the second, and potentially third, place winners to reimburse their travel costs too.

# **Submission**

Submissions should be sent via email to <u>competition@policycorner.org</u> as either .pdf or .docx by October 31, 2017, at 23:59 (Central European Time Zone). Please include with your submission:

- Your name
- Title and word count of your document
- Your age
- Your current location

Information on your age, name and location will neither be shared with the review team nor with the jury.

# Eligibility

Open to all students and young professionals of 30 years of age or younger.

# **Writing Guidelines**

Submissions must be between 800 and 1000 words (excluding references), be written in English (US American), and supported with at least five references to credible sources (Chicago Style endnotes). All submissions must be original, previously unpublished work of the author.

Please provide a short, attention-grabbing title (max. 8 words) and an article summary (max. 50 words).

# **Judgement Criteria**

The Policy Corner will shortlist the six best essays and forward them to our expert panel, who will rank them based on the following criteria:

- Innovation of idea and argument in the realm of new economic thinking
- Coherence and persuasiveness of the argument
- Applicability of recommendation(s) to the real world
- Written style
- Rigor of evidence

We further invite all participants to refer to <u>The Policy Corner's submission guidelines</u> for further ideas on how to write a persuasive article.

#### Who Are We?

*The Policy Corner* is an inclusive platform for students and young professionals to publish research-based articles on global issues. Founded in 2016, we aim to empower young scholars to engage in public debate while providing readers with innovative commentaries on current policy challenges.

*The Young Scholars Initiative* (YSI) is an international community of students, young professionals, and researchers researching innovative ways of thinking about the economy. The Initiative is organized by the Institute for New Economic Thinking and generously provided the funding for this essay competition.

*The Institute for New Economic Thinking* (INET) a non-profit think tank based in New York, founded in 2009 with the mission to nurture a global community of next-generation economic leaders. INET's advisory board includes many of the world's leading economists, including nobel laureates Amartya Sen, A. Michael Spence, George Akerlof, James Heckman, Sir James Mirrlees, and Joseph Stiglitz.

# **Further Information**

All submitting authors who meet The Policy Corner's <u>submission requirements</u> will be invited to have their article undergo peer review, copyediting, and be published on our website. We additionally aim to translate and publish all articles into French and German.

We encourage you to use of this opportunity to sharpen your writing skills, join the debate, and publish your thoughts and ideas on an innovative platform with an interested audience. If you have any further questions you can visit our website contact us at competition@policycorner.org