

## **CEEC Education Graduate Award 2017**

### **Aim of the competition**

The aim of the CEEC Education Graduate Award is:

- to promote construction economics as a subject among all European University students
- to provide young professionals with the opportunity to improve their professional skills and engage with European colleagues
- to encourage cooperation between European construction economist students and professionals

### **History**

The CEGA –competition was first held in Cyprus in 2010 and has since held on an annual basis. Entry to the competition is free for all suitable participants. There are three phases to the competition.

### **Abstract**

Students are invited to submit an abstract outlining their major research on subjects relating to or influencing the work of construction economists.

### **Paper**

Authors of all suitable abstracts are requested to present a full paper on their research.

### **Final**

The authors of the three best papers are invited to present at the CEEC conference, Lille (June 2017 – Exact date to be confirmed).

## Rules of the competition

### Requirements:

Validity for participation: Competition is open to all European students studying construction or construction economics. Status of the author should be under-graduate or post-graduate student or a professional with no more than 1-year post-graduate experience.

What is required? The abstract / paper should be based on the subject of the author's final thesis or major project. Two requirements for the abstract / paper are:

- 1) It has to deal with the topics of construction economics
- 2) There has to be a comparison of at least two different European countries or have an impact on construction economics across Europe. Students must show this in the abstract/paper. Topics may refer to EU legislative enactments, situations in different countries etc.

**Note!** If the final thesis of the author deals with criteria 1 but not criteria 2 it is allowed to participate in the competition if the criteria 2 is added to the abstract/paper submitted to the jury (even if it is not included in the original final thesis).

### CEEC marking criteria's:

CEEC Educational Committee will be the jury of the competition. Abstracts are accepted / rejected for criterions mentioned earlier. Papers are adjudged for following criterions:

- Paper Presentation
- Flow of logic
- Accurate representation of Abstract
- Research and Referencing
- Uniqueness / Topical nature of idea
- Applicability to CEEC methods (related to construction economics, comparison of different countries...)
- Content

### Technical details:

**Submission is written in English language. The length of the abstract is not more than one page (~150-300 words) and the length of the final paper is not more than six pages (font size 12).**

In submitting a paper, the author gives permission at no charge to the CEEC or its members to publish the contents or part contents of their paper. Authors are to ensure that they receive and provide permissions to publish or quote data where same is required.

There will be no appeal from the educational committee's decision, criteria will be issued to applicants on receipt of application. All accepted papers will receive acknowledgment. Dates for receipt of entry etc. will be notified on the CEEC -website and on the competition announcement?

### Prizes

**The CEGA-competition has prizes for three best papers:**

- **The first prize is € 1,500**
- **The second prize is € 1,000**
- **The third prize is € 500**

**Three candidates judged to have submitted the best papers will be invited to a CEEC Meeting June 2017 in Lille to present their work in the final. CEEC is paying travel cost within Europe to the final within a certain budget limit (informed to the finalists later, approximately €300 for tickets + accommodation by CEEC).**

The maximum amount of persons involved in one paper is 2 persons. It is also possible to make a presentation by the same 2 persons in same time. In that case the prize and the travel budget are shared between 2 persons.

## Timetable

The competition consists of three phases:

- 1) Abstract –phase: jury will accept/reject abstracts
  - a. Call for abstracts starts 25.11.2016
  - b. **Submission of abstract 13.01.2017 (23.59 GMT 0)**
  - c. Notification of Abstract acceptance 20.01.2017
  
- 2) Paper –phase: jury will select three best papers to the final
  - a. Paper –phase for selected writers starts 20.01.2017
  - b. **Submission of full paper 17.3.2017 (23.59 GMT 0)**
  - c. Notification of adjudication 07.04.2017
  
- 3) Final –phase: three best papers will be presented in CEGA-final 2017
  - a. Three winners represent their papers in CEEC Seminar in May 2017 in Lille, France and winners are chosen and decision is made for the final results (1.-3.prize).

Submission of applications, abstracts, papers and any questions: only via email to [cega@ceecorg.eu](mailto:cega@ceecorg.eu). You should receive a confirmation of receipt via email within the next 24 h. Competition information: [www.ceecorg.eu/cega-2016](http://www.ceecorg.eu/cega-2016).

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