

Young Economist of the Year Award Regulations

1. One of the key activities of the Czech Economic Society (CES) is awarding the title Young Economist of the Year to members of the Czech economics community (Articles, article III, paragraph 3).
2. The Young Economist of the Year Award is announced once a year.
3. Only papers meeting the following conditions will be accepted for consideration:
 - a. the paper is the original work of the author (or group of authors) and is sufficiently different from any papers sent by the same author (or group of authors) to the competition in any previous year;
 - b. the subject of the paper falls within the field of economics as a scientific discipline;
 - c. the paper does not exceed 30 pages in length (a maximum of 54,000 characters including spaces) including the abstract (100-200 words in length), keywords, list of references and any tables and charts;
 - d. the paper is written in Czech, Slovak or English;
 - e. the paper is sent together with a completed application form (to be found on the CES website) and a non-technical summary of no more than 100 words describing not only the basic idea of the paper, but also an example of its possible application in practice;
 - f. the author (or each author in the group) is no more than 30 years old on the day of the application deadline for the award;
 - g. the author (or each author in the group) is of Czech citizenship or is living, working or studying in the Czech Republic.
4. The paper is evaluated by a panel of at least 5 members, appointed by the CES management board from among its members. Each paper is evaluated anonymously and the panel may consult with members of the CES expert sections during the evaluation process. Each member of the panel evaluates all papers that fulfil the above-detailed entry conditions and ranks them in order of merit.
5. The overall ranking used to establish which authors receive the award is determined by a simple average of the rankings made by the individual evaluators. In the event of a tie, the award may be given jointly (i.e. to the author(s) of more than one paper).
6. The title “Young Economist of the Year” is awarded to the author of the paper which received the best average ranking. Awards are also given to the authors of the papers ranked second and third overall. The President of the CES may also award the “Karel Engliš Award” for the best paper focusing on Czech economic policy. The President of the CES may also award an “Honourable Recognition by the President of the CES for an Excellent Paper” for extraordinarily excellent work to an author or authors aged 25 years or younger (this limit also applies to co-authors). This award can only be given once in a lifetime and only if the author(s) in question have not, in the current or any previous year, received one of the three main awards.
7. Applicants for the award commit themselves to presenting their paper briefly during the official award ceremony, if they receive an award. All applicants also agree that the CES may pass on their contact details to potential partners who may like to offer them opportunities for collaboration, internships, etc.

8. The award-winning authors are usually announced during the biennial conference of the CES, its general assembly, or other appropriate public opportunities. On the occasion of the announcement, the awards are handed to the winners by the President of the CES or the award organizers, members of the executive committee and representatives of any partners of the competition. The names of the award-winning authors and the awarded papers are subsequently published on the CES website. The non-technical summaries of the awarded papers serve as the basis for media promotion of the award.

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