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Introduction and admissions criteria

The European Association of Co-operative Banks (EACB), in collaboration with its **Academic Think-Tank**, is pleased to announce a competition for best papers in the field of co-operative banks. The competition is targeted at young researchers **up to 35 years old**. Co-authored papers will be accepted.

Award

The prize for the best paper is **2,000 Euros**. The best papers will receive a special mention and will be **published by the EACB**. The prize will be awarded in Spring or Autumn 2021.



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Themes & selection process

Contributions will be accepted providing they are not already published in scientific journals or books **by 28 February 2021**. However, papers that have appeared in working paper series or that will be forthcoming in a publication after 28 February 2021 will be considered. The submitted papers should follow the standard format of scientific journals, and should contain new and original work by the authors. The word limit is around **10,000 words or less**.

The papers should relate directly to **co-operative banks**. Papers that compare co-operative banks with other types of banking organisations (e.g. profit maximising banks, shareholders banks, savings banks, etc) are welcome. The papers should be written in English.

The selection criteria are the contribution the paper makes to the scientific literature, the **rigor** of the argumentation, the **clarity** of exposition and **policy relevance**.

The assessors will be looking for contributions primarily from the following academic fields:

Co-operative banks contributions to sustainable economy

Diversity in banking: the role of co-operative banks

Innovation, digitalisation: challenges and opportunities for co-operative banks

The specific governance of co-operative banks and the evolution of their business model

Co-operative Banks; 'Creating member value'

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Practical information

The entire rules document can be found on our website : www.eacb.coop

The deadline for the submissions is **28 February 2021**. The submissions should be sent to eacbaward@eacb.coop

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