

Announcement

Prize for Young Innovators

The independently operating Plansecur Group through its "Vordenker Forum" (Forum for Innovative Thinking) pursues the objective to provide a platform to discuss visionary ideas for society at large.

The Forum awards two prizes: Individuals who have a long-standing track record of excellence and have distinguished themselves through their outstanding vision are considered for the "Vordenker Preis" (Prize for Innovators). The Forum also awards the Prize for Young Innovators, open to young researchers and aimed both at recognizing first achievements and at supporting the prize winner's research agenda.

1. Submission Profile

The Prize for Young Innovators will be awarded for research creating new impulses for economic and financial research, contributing to societal understanding as to how sustained value added may be created by market participants, policy decision makers and regulators. The prize-winning research should involve theoretical reflection and be of empirical relevance. It is expected that papers submitted to the prize jury are also aimed at publication in a high-level scientific journal.

2. Prize Objectives

The Forum aims at providing incentives for substantive and innovative research in economics and finance, supporting young researchers with visionary ideas, and raising public awareness of their contributions. The Forum further aims to support the transfer of ideas across generations and disciplines as well as between scientists and practitioners.

3. Prize Award

The Prize for Young Innovators is to be awarded every year in which the Prize for Innovators is to be awarded, and carries prize money in the amount of 2,500 euro. There will be a joint award ceremony for the Prize for Innovators and for the Prize for Young Innovators. The award ceremony will be preceded by a symposium during which the prize winner will present his/her award-winning research.

4. Submission Rules

Participation in the paper competition for the Prize for Young Innovators is open for young researchers (typically below 32 years of age at the submission deadline). Papers submitted must be in English or German language.

5. Format of Submissions

Submissions must be made by July 15, 2019 (date of receipt of submission) and should include the following documents:

- Paper (in a format suitable for submission to a high-level journal in economics or finance)
- Summary of research and its relevance for society (not to exceed three letter-sized pages)
- CV

For further information about the Forum for Innovative Thinking, see <u>vordenkerforum.de</u> (in German language). For questions regarding the Prize for Young Innovators, feel free to contact the Young Innovators Prize Jury (<u>younginnovators@houseoffinance.eu</u>). Submissions must be sent to this e-mail address as well.