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OF CO-OPERATIVE BANKS

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**Call for papers**

5th Award for young researcher on  
co-operative banks



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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 2017 (possibly at the 7th Convention on Co-operative Banks, tbc)

### Practical information

The deadline for the submissions is **31 December 2016**. The submissions should be sent to **eacbaward@eachb.coop**  
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## Themes & selection process

Contributions will be accepted providing they are not already published in scientific journals or books **by 31 December 2016**. However, papers that have appeared in working paper series or that will be forthcoming in a publication after 15 December 2016 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 assessors will be looking for contributions primarily from the following academic fields:

## Economics

Finance & Accounting

## Corporate governance Management

We are interested in papers related to the following broad themes but papers on other topics related to cooperative banking will be considered.

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**.

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