

ASSOCIATION OF COMPETITION ECONOMICS  
AWARD FOR THE BEST PAPER ON COMPETITION ECONOMICS  
RULES

1. The aims of the award are to promote research in competition economics and recognition for excellence both in theoretical and empirical analysis in this important area of economic policy and to encourage members to stay up to date with the best research.
2. The award will be given annually, and will be chosen by the members of the ACE, after a previous selection by the Steering Committee. The amount will be EUR1000.
3. Each year, each member of the Steering Committee proposes two papers by end January by email, and the award organizers then develop a shortlist of five papers. If there are not enough proposals by the end of April, the organizers will propose a list of up to twenty papers to the Steering Committee for voting and selection of the 5 papers. This would then be circulated to all ACE Members by end May for voting.
4. Only papers published in the previous calendar year are eligible. The Steering Committee may choose the publications most relevant for selection. Working papers are not eligible until properly published.
5. Papers co-authored by members of the Steering Committee of ACE are not eligible.
6. The winner will be announced at the ACE annual conference, and the winner is invited to present his paper, with travel and accommodation expenses paid by ACE. In case of a joint paper, the award will be split equally among the authors and they will be invited to designate one for attending the ACE annual meeting and presenting their joint work.
7. Preference is given to publications in refereed journals, although publications in non-refereed journals are not excluded.
8. The criteria for award are (i) 'most influential' (ii) 'most path-breaking' (iii) "complexity" of the subject matter. The first refers to its potential contribution for formulation and actual implementation of competition policy. The second refers to creativity. The third refers to the complexity of the matter under analysis.