

I would like to draw your attention to the call for papers for the 2019 ICO Award for Excellence in Coffee-Related Research. This Award was created to promote high-quality research on emerging issues in the global coffee sector.

The competition is open to all economists and researchers in social sciences who are in the process of completing a PhD or who have completed their degree within the last five years, are citizens of an ICO Member country or affiliated to an institution based in an ICO Member country, and have a proven interest in the area of coffee economics.

The research paper should cover a relevant topic related to the sustainable development of the coffee sector, with particular interest on topics that fall under the ICO's current thematic focus 2018/19: 'Profitability: consumption and productivity'.

The winner will receive a cash prize and the recognition of winning the ICO Award for Excellence in Coffee-Related Research, and also will be exposed to a wider audience through ICO communications activity, publications and events. This level of engagements also provides an important opportunity to raise the profile of academic and research institutions.

To enter the competition, the candidate should submit an essay, thesis work or journal article, in an official language of the ICO (English, French, Portuguese and Spanish), preferably English, which should not exceed 15,000 words to essay.award@ico.org no later than **30 June 2019**.

Full details on eligibility and how to apply are available on this link:

<http://www.ico.org/documents/cy2018-19/ed-2295e-call-for-award-competition.pdf>

We would be grateful if you could share this official call for papers with academic/research colleagues, students and institutions in your country.

Thank you very much,

Marcela