



Call for Papers: Award in Economics Finance and Development 2021



Professionals and students from different educational levels, both national and foreign, are encouraged to participate. Individual authors or co-authors (maximum four), including the winners of previous editions of the call can participate. Neither active servants of the Central Bank of Nicaragua (CBN), nor members of the jury, can participate.

The studies must be written in Spanish or English, in topics about Nicaragua or including the country as part of the analysis. Research may address the areas of economics, finance, and socioeconomic issues that contributes to understand and explain the causes, the consequences, and the drivers of change for the development of Nicaragua.

Studies submitted to previous editions of the contest will not be accepted. Abstracts of B.Sc. thesis, master thesis, and doctorate thesis written in the last five years will be accepted. Thesis abstracts should quote in both text and references the original document. Studies should be unpublished. They cannot be in process of being published or in process of review in another competition.

The document format should be single line spacing, font Times New Roman 12, maximum length of 30 pages, including an abstract of 150 words. A pseudonym should be included in the cover page to replace the name of author or co-authors. Papers without a pseudonym or with any other reference suggesting the identity of the author will be disqualified. Likewise, studies containing plagiarism will be subjected to immediate disqualification.

To participate in this contest, the necessary information will be requested in a digital **registration form**. Studies in digital PDF format, as well as replication commands and databases used, must be attached. No physical documents or in any other way than through the above-mentioned website will be accepted.

Participation in this contest is free of charge. The CBN does not accept payments for registration or disbursements of any kind. The CBN does not assume costs or reimbursements for carrying out the research and presenting the results.

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The above-mentioned monetary awards are subjected to tax withholding according to the national tax legislation. Special mentions may be awarded. If that is the case, participants will receive a certificate of participation. All winning studies will become property of CBN.

Registration and upload of required documents must be carried out through CBN's website, advertisement section: www.bcn.gob.ni as of **July 1st, 2021** until 16:00 hrs. Nicaragua time zone (UTC-6) of **August 31st, 2021**.

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