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Call for Papers Contest Award in Economics Finance and Development 2020

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, who had the status of permanent employees at the Central Bank of Nicaragua (CBN), nor members of the jury, are able to participate

The studies must be about Nicaragua or include the country as part of the analysis. The studies may address topics of economics, finance, and socioeconomic issues relevant for the development of the country that contribute to understand and explain the causes, consequences and the drivers of change for the development of Nicaragua.

Research papers should be original and submitted in English or Spanish. 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 the text and references the original thesis. The studies should be previously unpublished, nor in process of being published, nor in process of acceptance in another contest. The only published studies to be accepted are those published in the thesis repertoires of universities.

The document format should be single line spacing, font Times New Roman size 12, maximum length of 40 pages, including an abstract of 150 words. A pseudonym should be included in the cover page in order to replace the name of author or co-authors.

Registration and upload of required documents must be carried out through the website of the contest: www.bcn.gob.ni as of **July 1st, 2020** until 16:00 hrs Nicaragua time zone (UTC-6) of **August 31th, 2020**.

In order to participate in this contest, the necessary information will be requested in a digital **registration form** i.e. name, pseudonym, address, identification document, among others. Once the number of authors has been placed, boxes necessary to provide the information of each author will be displayed. 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.

Papers without a pseudonym or any other reference suggesting the identity of the author or co-authors will be disqualified. Likewise, studies containing plagiarism will be subjected to immediate disqualification of the contest.

The winner of the first prize will get C\$140,000.00 (one-hundred and forty thousand Córdobas) plus a certificate of recognition. The winner of the second prize will get C\$120,000.00 (one-hundred and twenty thousand Córdobas) plus a certificate of recognition. The winner of the third prize will get C\$100,000.00 (one hundred thousand Córdobas) plus a certificate of recognition. 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.

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