Call for applications: EBHA Prize for the Best Dissertation, 2022

During the 23rd Annual Congress of the European Business History Association, June 22-24, 2022, Madrid, Spain, the EBHA will award a prize for the best dissertation in business history. This dissertation should have been submitted to a European university in the previous three years prior to the hand-in dead-line, January 15, 2022. The dissertation can be written in English or in another European language. Please note that the prize is awarded every two years, but because of the pandemic, the prize has not awarded since 2018. The dissertation prize committee therefore decided to extend the criteria that that the dissertation should have been submitted to a European university in the previous two years to three years.

Three finalists will be selected from the dissertations submitted for consideration, and the authors will be required to give a presentation based on their dissertations at a plenary session at the EBHA congress in Madrid. The presentation is part of the final assessment. All three finalists will receive a certificate that they have been among the short-listed candidates and will be eligible for reimbursement of part of their travel costs. All three will also be entitled for a waiver of their registration fees for the conference. In addition, the prize winner will receive EUR 500 and a special certificate. The finalists are invited to have written versions of their presentations published in the Newsletter of EBHA. The prize and the travel cost reimbursement fund have been funded by the William Lind Foundation, located in Scotland. The EBHA sincerely thanks this foundation and the Centre for Business History in Scotland (CBHS) for their precious support.

Members of the 2022 EBHA Best Dissertation Prize Committee:
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The dissertation prize committee's decision is final, and it reserves the right not to award a prize in any given year.

Procedure for entry
All candidates wishing to enter the prize competition must meet the criteria indicated above and must attach a summary of 1-2 pages of their dissertation to the application along with an electronic copy of the dissertation itself. The candidate must document that the thesis has been accepted. If possible an assessment report should be added to the application. Supervisors of candidates may also be invited by the candidate to write a 1 page recommendation outlining the strong points of the thesis. Recommendation and assessment reports are, however, optional, and absence of these documents will not count against the candidate in the competition.

The dissertation and accompanying documentation as specified above must be submitted by email to donze@econ.osaka-u.ac.jp

The deadline for application for the prize is January 15, 2022. Dissertations submitted after
this date or submitted without a summary and a documentation of acceptance, will not be considered further.

For more information about the Dissertation prize (for example the criteria for judging), we refer you to the EBHA website: https://ebha.org/Congress-BestDissertationPrize