



International Statistical Institute (ISI)  
**Jan Tinbergen Awards**  
for Young Statisticians from Developing Countries

## Call for Applications for 2017 Awards

Two of the fundamental objectives of the ISI are to define and institute constructive roles in supporting the development of young statisticians and in building statistical capacity in developing countries. The Jan Tinbergen Awards are named after the famous Dutch econometrician, and are for best papers for the biennial World Statistics Congresses (WSC) by young statisticians from developing countries. In addition to a cash prize, generously provided by the Dutch '*Stichting Internationaal Statistisch Studiefonds*', the winners receive support to enable their participation at the next [ISI World Statistics Congress](#) and present their winning papers.

The main criteria that are used in assessing the contributions are statistical originality and/or innovative and significant contribution to statistical progress in government, business or industry in a developing country. Contributions could be in development of statistical theory or new methodology; innovative use of existing statistical methods in a significant application in government, business or other disciplines; or application of new sources and innovative data collection and production in significantly contributing to statistical progress in developing countries. Other criteria include adequate reference to related work; technical and methodological standard of work; quality of writing organisation and clarity.

The International Statistical Institute (ISI) is pleased to invite submissions of papers for the 2017 Jan Tinbergen Awards for young statisticians from developing countries. It is expected that two award winners will be selected.

The awards will be presented at the 61<sup>st</sup> ISI World Statistics Congress (WSC) in Marrakech, Morocco and the winners will present their papers at the WSC.

Each award consists of €2,500 in prize money (total per paper), complimentary WSC registration, support for travel, accommodation, and daily expenses to participate in the WSC in Marrakech. Travel support will be provided to only one author per paper.

**Eligibility:**

- The paper can focus on any area within the broad field of statistical sciences.
- The paper must be an unpublished, original contribution. It may include material from the author's theses.
- The paper must be written in English.
- The author and all co-authors (if any) of the paper must be born in 1985 or later. We strongly encourage applications from women.
- The author and all co-authors (if any) must be permanent resident(s) of a developing country. See <https://isi-web.org/index.php/resources/developing-countries> for the list of developing countries.
- Previous winners of the award are not eligible (even as co-authors).

The submitted papers will be evaluated by an International Selection Committee of experienced statisticians who will decide on the awards. The Committee's decision is final.

**Process for submitting papers:**

- The application should be submitted online [here](#). You will be asked to upload the paper at the end of the online application.
- **Applications and papers must be submitted by 9 December 2016.**
- The paper must be prepared according to the [instructions](#).
- In addition to the paper, a CV may be submitted of maximum of 2 pages.

**Announcement of results:**

- The results will be communicated to all participants by the ISI Permanent Office by the end of March 2017.
- The winners will be contacted by the ISI Permanent Office to make arrangements for travel to the WSC in Marrakech in July 2017.
- The award includes a round trip economy class airline ticket from the winner's place of residence to Marrakech and support to cover accommodation and living expenses during the WSC.
- If a paper is submitted as a joint paper by two or more authors, only one of the authors can be offered the support for travel and expense. It is the authors' responsibility to nominate the author concerned.
- Any questions that are outside of the substantive contents of the papers (which are decided by the Committee) shall be decided by the [ISI Executive Committee](#). Its decision is final.

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