

" How should Government policy address the impact of globalisation and de-globalization on Singapore's economy and society?"

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) and the Economics Society of Singapore invite entries for the MAS-ESS Economics Essay Competition 2019. The Essay Competition seeks to promote economic literacy and encourage debate on economic policy and financial issues in Singapore.

Singapore's economic success has been built on globalisation, which has raised living standards for billions worldwide. But in recent years, key economies have witnessed a backlash against globalisation, as reflected in the US-China trade dispute, and in nationalist political movements worldwide seeking to disengage from the global economy. Yet many nations are staying the course. The failure of the TPP has spurred efforts to ratify the CPTPP, while regional integration efforts are accelerating in ASEAN, with the RCEP set to become the world's largest economic bloc. Given the importance to Singapore of remaining connected to global flows of capital, trade, and talent, how can Singapore navigate these new complexities of globalisation to (i) manage their potential impact on society and the economy, and (ii) shape Singapore's place in the world order?

The competition invites submissions from Polytechnics, Centralised Institutes, International Schools and Junior Colleges as well as full time national servicemen who have completed their pre-University education.

All 2000-word essays must be accompanied by a completed entry form and a 300-word summary which must be received no later than **May 20, 2019, 10:00 pm**.

The following awards will be given to the winning essays:

First Prize	\$ 3,000
Second Prize	\$ 2,000
Third Prize	\$ 1,000

The winning essays will be selected by a panel of judges comprising representatives from the ESS, financial sector, private sector and government ministries.

SUBJECT MATTER AND PRESENTATION

The title of the essay competition for 2019 is “How should Government policy address the impact of globalisation and de-globalization on Singapore’s economy and society?”. The essays should be well researched and informed, and should provide new analyses and perspectives as far as possible. They should also be written in such a way that they are accessible to a wide audience. They are therefore not meant to be academic 'journal-style' papers.

Charts and tables may be used, although equations (or derivations) should be avoided as far as possible.

The essays must be original in content. Entries found to contain plagiarism will automatically be disqualified. Although essays may draw on existing work, they should be materially different from them in terms of analysis, style of arguments, perspectives, or conclusions. This could involve the application of previous work in a different context, or new analysis or perspectives significantly different from previous work. A bibliography acknowledging references to existing work is required.

All entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form(s), signed by the author(s). For joint authorship, only one entry form is required. Submission on behalf of an institution or firm is not permitted.

1. Members of the judging committee (and their immediate family members) are not eligible to enter the essay competition.
2. Entries must be in English and typed double-spaced on one side of each sheet of paper. **The essay should be 2000 words only.** This excludes charts, tables, footnotes, references and appendices.
3. A summary of no more than **300** words highlighting the main points of the essay must also be provided. For submission, follow the format as seen below:
 - I. Essay Title and Author(s) and School
 - II. Summary
 - III. Contents

Essay should be in **word or pdf format only.**

4. Entries should be sent online at **esocsing@gmail.com**. Essays received online will be acknowledged.

5. MAS-ESS Essay Competition Judging Committee reserves the right not to award any or all of the prizes. The ESS also reserves the sole copyright to all submissions.

All Entrants shall grant the Economic Society of Singapore a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to publish their Entry, in whole or in part, for any purpose, in any medium.

6. **Only winning participants will be contacted upon the finalisation of the results.**
7. The awards ceremony will be held in conjunction with the ESS Annual Dinner on 22 August 2019. All prize-winning essays will be posted on the ESS websites.
8. Please send any inquiries to the MAS-ESS Essay Competition Coordinator to the email address: esocsing@gmail.com.