

"Economic Drivers in a Post-Covid World"

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The **Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS)** and the **Economics Society of Singapore** invite entries for the MAS-ESS Economics Essay Competition 2021. The Essay Competition is to encourage debate on issues related to the economic turmoils due to Covid-19 pandemic.

The competition invites submissions from Polytechnics, Centralized Institutes, International Schools and Junior Colleges as well as full time national servicemen who have competed their pre-university education. Get full details from www.ess.org.sg.

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 and agencies.

SUBJECT MATTER AND PRESENTATION

This year the Essay Competition topic is "**Economic Drivers in a Post-Covid World**". The Covid pandemic has caused economic upheavals — the travel and tourism sector has been crippled, telecommuting and on-line shopping suddenly boomed while the rush to develop Covid vaccines has accelerated medical innovations

The essay shall discuss how Singapore can sustain its position as a major financial, business, trading and transportation hub and pursue growth that is inclusive in a post-Covid world.

The essay shall be well researched and informed and provide fresh 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 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 not be more than 2000 words.** 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. Cover page must contain the Essay Title and Author(s) and School

II. Summary

III. Contents

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

4. Entries should be sent online at **esocsing@gmail.com**. Essays received on-line will be acknowledged.
5. MAS-ESS Essay Competition Judging Committee reserves the right not to award any or all 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 may be held in conjunction with the ESS Annual Dinner. 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.