

Topic:

Challenges

and

Unanswered Questions
of Consumer Law

# **UDO REIFNER PRIZE**

#### **Prize**

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# **Eligibility**

- In order for a paper to be considered for the *Udo Reifner Prize*, the following eligibility criteria must be met:
- The author (and co-authors) must submit and present a paper at the 18th World Consumer Law Conference of the International Association of Consumer Law.
- The author (and co-authors) must notify the conference organizers that they are submitting their paper to the *Udo Reifner Prize*.
- The paper submitted must be written on a topic regarding consumer credit law or over-indebtedness. The paper should not exceed 10.000 words and must be submitted no later than May 15th, 2023.

### **Process**

- Each eligible paper will be read by all members of the Scientific Committee and evaluated against the criteria below.
- Members of the Scientific Committee shall decline to evaluate papers if they have the following special relationships with the author(s) of the papers considered: relatives, students, colleagues, and co-authors.
- The presentation of the *Udo Reifner Prize* will be made during the 18th World Consumer Law Conference.



#### **Selection Criteria**

- Papers will be reviewed and judged based on the criteria described below. Each paper will be given a score of 0 10 (where 0 is the lowest and 10 is the highest score) against each criterion.
- The score allocated to each paper by each reviewer shall be multiplied by the weighting and then added. The highest scoring paper shall be recommended for the *Udo Reifner Prize*. Where two or more papers receive the same total score, the paper which has the highest score in the highest weighted criteria shall be recommended for the prize. If the papers are still tied, the highest score in the second highest weighted criteria will be recommended for the award, and so until a winner is found.

# **ACADEMIC CRITERIA**

## **Originality (weighting 40%)**

Originality of contribution to knowledge with an emphasis on the paper's innovativeness in one or more of; (i) theoretical development, (ii) interdisciplinary research, (iii) empirical results, (iv) comparative legal analysis or, (v) policy development.

## **Quality of Argument (weighting 30%)**

Quality of argument incorporating; (i) critical analysis of concepts, theories and findings, and (ii) consistency and coherency of debate.

### Positioning (weighting 15%)

Clear positioning of paper in existing international literature with a convincing conclusion or conclusions of significant potential.

### Writing Style (weighting 15%)

Quality of writing style in term of accuracy, clarity, readability, and structure of the paper.



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Paper Title:		
Author(s):		
Reviewer:		

Criteria	Score (0 – 10)	Weight	Total Score
Originality		40%	
Quality of Argument		30%	
Positioning		15%	
Writing Style		15%	
TOTAL SCORE			