

ICFR / Financial Times Research Prize

www.icfr.org

Document ICFR / Financial Times Research Prize
Author ICFR
Date 6 October 2009
Contact researchprizequeries@icfr.org

The **International Centre for Financial Regulation** is launching a research prize competition, in conjunction with the Financial Times, with the inaugural theme: **“How Best to Regulate the Bank of Tomorrow”**. The competition aims to promote research and discussion consistent with the agenda of the G20 on transparency, integrity, appropriate risk management and reform of international financial institutions. The ICFR’s intention is to:

- access and draw attention to new and interesting work and ideas on themes that will advance thinking on the policy agenda;
- highlight the international dimensions of financial regulation; and
- bring this work to the attention of policymakers, as well as a wider global audience.

Candidates are invited to address their paper to **one** of the following topics:

1. How will the global financial crisis change the competitive landscape in banking? How will proposed regulatory changes affect competition between banks and between banks and other institutions?
2. “Regime arbitrage” is a serious risk as countries each rewrite banking regulation. What problems can we anticipate and how best can they be avoided?
3. What will be the long-term implications of the global financial crisis for the reputations of the international banking system. What is the role for policymakers and regulators in this respect – should they target the size and structure of the financial system?
4. What works best for banking regulation: market discipline or “hard-wired” rules?
5. What lessons can be drawn for the emerging world from the current international debate on banking regulation?

The Prize: The best entry overall will win a prize of US\$7,500.
There is also a US\$1,500 prize for the best entry in each category.

Judging: The prizes will be awarded by Lord Currie of Marylebone, chairman of the ICFR, who shall lead the judging panel.

For more information please visit: 1. www.icfr.org
2. www.ft.com