

International Call for Submissions

Egon-Matzner-Award for Socio-Economics 2025

In memory of Prof. Egon Matzner, the Egon-Matzner-Award for Socio-Economics was established in 2012. It will be conferred for the thirteenth time in 2025 in the course of the IFIP annual conference from 11th to 12th September 2025 in Vienna.

Egon Matzner (1938-2003) was Professor of Socio-Economics, Public Finance and Infrastructure Policy at the Vienna University of Technology's Department of Public Finance and Infrastructure Policy from 1972 until his retirement in 1998. He is remembered by many as an innovative thinker, always with an open mind in regard to new topics in economics, especially in the fields of socio-economics, public finance and infrastructure policy, with a clear political vision, and he always retained a critical distance. Professor Matzner had a great influence on several generations of planners and scientists, and was always very supportive towards talented students.

The Egon-Matzner-Award will be presented to young scientists (up to 35 years of age) for their scientific publications (in particular papers in international peer-reviewed journals). In particular, studies in the following thematic fields can be submitted:

- Socio-economics, heterodox/pluralistic economics.
- Evolutionary economics, institutional economics.
- Public finance, welfare state, and fiscal federalism.
- Infrastructure economics and policy, and the foundational economy.

Papers will be preferred that especially

- include practical and empirical problems based on strong theoretical foundations,
- go beyond schools of thought and paradigms, and/or
- present interdisciplinary perspectives.

Papers are reviewed by an international jury of renowned scholars and should have been published recently (2023-2025). The award is endowed with a premium of EUR 1,000 and can be shared, in the event of parity, by the authors of excellent publications. The submitted works should be written in English. The prize will be awarded based on the decisions made by an international jury, and will be handed over at the occasion the 2025 IFIP annual conference.

Award winners are asked to present their work at the conference, and as a summary paper in the department's open-access journal "Der Öffentliche Sektor – The Public Sector" (oes.tuwien.ac.at).

Submissions including the author's CV have to be sent electronically to EMP@ifip.tuwien.ac.at; for further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Michael Getzner, Vienna University of Technology, Karlsplatz 13, 1040 Vienna, Austria (Michael.Getzner@tuwien.ac.at).

The deadline for submissions is 30th March 2025. The jury's decision will be made known presumably by mid-May, 2025.