

ICAI INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH



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Call For Nominations

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The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI)
(Set up by an Act of Parliament)

Accounting | Auditing | Economics | Finance | Taxation

About ICAI

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) is a statutory body established under the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 for regulating the profession of Chartered Accountants in India. ICAI is the second largest accounting body in the whole world with a strong tradition of service to the public interest and to the Indian economy. During its more than seventy years of existence, ICAI has achieved recognition as a premier accounting body not only in the country but also globally, for maintaining highest standards in technical, ethical areas and for sustaining stringent examination and education standards. Since 1949, the profession has grown leaps and bounds in terms of membership and student base. Starting with a handful of about **1700 members**, today, the strength of Indian Chartered Accountant fraternity has grown to over 3.2 lakh members. On the education front, the ICAI began with mere **259 students** and today about **8 lakh active students** are a part of ICAI. The Institute functions under administrative control of Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India. It has its headquarters in New Delhi and **5 Regional offices** in Chennai, Kanpur, Kolkata, Mumbai and New Delhi. It presently has 164 branches spread all over the country. In addition, it has also set up 36 chapters outside India, 17 Representative Offices and an overseas office in Dubai. The affairs of the ICAI are managed by a Council in accordance with the provisions of the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 and the Chartered Accountants Regulations, 1988. The Council is composed of **40 members** of whom **32 are elected by the members and remaining 8 are nominated by the Central Government** generally representing the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, Securities and Exchange Board of India, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Commerce & Industry and other stakeholders.



About Research Committee

The Research Committee of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India is one of the oldest technical committees set up in 1955 with a view to undertake research activities to improve the quality of services rendered by the profession. The primary objective of Research Committee is to undertake research in the field of accounting and other affiliated areas with a view to enhance the value of services rendered by the profession. The Committee undertakes approved research projects on current and continuous basis in various areas which are generally published in the form of Guidance Notes, Technical Guides, Studies, Monographs, etc. on generally accepted accounting principles and practices designed, to enhance the value of the services rendered by the profession.



CA Atul Kumar Gupta

President, ICAI &
Ex-officio Member, Jury



CA Nihar N Jambusaria

Vice President, ICAI &
Ex-officio Member, Jury



CA Anuj Goyal

Chairman, Research Committee



CA Kemisha Soni

Vice Chairperson, Research Committee

Preface

“The heart and soul of good writing is research; you should write not what you know but what you can find out about”

Robert J. Sawyer

There is always something new to learn; the whole life, from the moment you are born to the moment you die is a process of learning. To develop and enhance knowledge in a particular field, research is inevitable. To satiate your quest for knowledge, whether you are a professional or not, doing research is not just imperative but a need. The profession of Chartered Accountants involves rendering of knowledge and skill based services, hence it is utmost important for our members and students to continuous upgrade their knowledge base by undertaking the research work from time to time.

We are pleased to share that the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) under the aegis of Research Committee has launched ICAI International Research Awards 2020 to recognise the research scholars in the field of Accounting, Auditing, Taxation, Finance and Economics. We are sure that it will be a great platform for research scholars across the Globe to showcase their research work.

Research is critical to societal development. It generates knowledge, provides useful information, and helps in decision-making, among others. It is truly said that finding out the facts about your assignments, your job, or your life; will allow you to make better decisions and gain more knowledge. In fact, the more research you do, the more you can do with your professional life.

Looking forward to your active participation in ICAI International Research Awards 2020.



Jury Members



Dr In Ki Joo

President, IFAC &
Chairman Jury

The international Research awards will enhance the continuing advancement of the worldwide accountancy profession. This research award is one of only a few global awards which will encourage research activities internationally by recognizing high-quality research work through a fair and rigorous process. I am proud that ICAI is playing a role in strengthening the progress of the global accountancy profession through hosting this award.



Mr Alan Johnson

Dy. President, IFAC &
Member Jury

Research facilitates learning, and learning enables innovation which will empower the profession to create value for all stakeholders. ICAI's awards will be a great forum to celebrate creativity, thought leadership and collaboration across the profession, leading to advancements in our knowledge to ensure we continue to enhance our value in society.



Mr Wan Tin

President, AFA &
Member Jury

Building our collective research capacity on all things accounting is an important step in establishing our profession's legacy for future accountants. This Award is an excellent platform to find and recognize such researches.



Mr Florin Toma

President,
Accountancy Europe & Member Jury

The European accountancy profession derives great value from academic research across the globe. Research helps develop our profession, economies and societies and it critically informs decision-making. Scholars' contributions are indispensable and I am happy this gets recognised by ICAI's initiative.



Mr Vickson Ncube

CEO, PAFA & Member Jury

Research is the cornerstone for improvement. Its importance in our profession cannot be undermined. Our Profession must adapt and evolve according to advances in technology, financial practices and globalization to protect public interest. The awards are a laudable initiative and will encourage research in relevant areas.



Hon'ble Justice (CA.) Anil R. Dave

Former Judge, Supreme Court of India & Member Jury

Research prepares us for future, by sharpening our knowledge, embrace future technologies for succeeding in emerging environment. It enriches our knowledge to convert future challenges into opportunities. The awards will bring in global community together to research on key emerging areas.



Ms Yelena Rodríguez Trujillo

Executive Director, CCPAP & Member Jury

With advent of technology and globalization its important to promote research to strengthen the global standards setting and policies, to mitigate risks arising from globalization and technology. The awards shall be a great initiative to promote research and innovation.

International Research Awards

Being a knowledge driven profession, research is the lifeline for our accounting profession, as it enables us to identify the challenges confronting the global economy where accounting profession can play its due role in augmenting Public Interest by way of research and contributions which could pave path for innovative practices in mitigating the various emerging financial and non-financial risks and alternatively propagate good practices for promoting public interest.

At ICAI, it is firmly believed that research is the key to innovation and growth in the emerging economic environment. The ICAI envisions to support research to make a positive and tangible impact in standards setting, new reporting practices frameworks, policy making etc. While thinking further about initiative to promote research, it was envisioned to make it global with the support of global forums, PAOs and institutions, as idea was to build a global collaborative research capacity on all accounting related issues to develop global legacy for the profession.

The Awards Could Be Considered To Be The World's Largest Cross Border Competition

The International Research Awards aims to recognizes the research community across the globe and their contribution in fostering innovation and value creation. The awards further aspire for developing a research oriented ecosystem promoting trade and investment, augmenting public interest in the globalized financial markets. The inspiration to take awards global was to encourage researchers to work across the industry and borders to develop global standards and policy inputs imbibing elements of trust and excellence in reporting and governance in the emerging tech-enabled global world .

The awards aim is to raise the profile of individuals, teams and institutions undertaking research, recognise innovative approaches to research, encourage multi-disciplinary research, bridge the gap between research and practice and recognize success stories of researchers in the area of Accounting, Auditing, Finance, Economics and Taxation with an objective to enhance the research activities in Accounting, Finance and Taxation and allied areas, to name a few.

The International Research Awards aspires to build global research community:



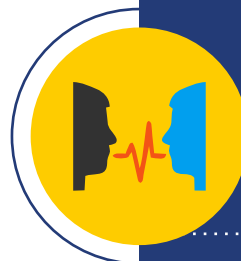
PROMOTING RESEARCH BASED ECOSYSTEM:

To bring together various stakeholders like researchers, institutions, industry to advance research and innovation in various areas.



SHARING LEARNING AND SOLVING PROBLEMS:

Working on problems being faced by global economy to augment trust, public interest, governance and economic growth



STIMULATING DEBATES AND DIALOGUES:

Identifying emerging challenges, driving forces and way forward to resolve the same.



Coverage of the Awards

The areas/scope of the awards would be to identify the topics of international and societal importance where

accounting profession can leverage its due role. The award will be given in five broad categories:



Accounting



Auditing



Economics



Finance



Taxation

The illustrative list of areas of such Research Activities is as under

	Accounting, Auditing, Finance, Taxation	Anti- money laundering	Combating corruption	Combating terrorism financing	Corporate Social Responsibility	
Fraud detection	Global Financial stability	Global sustainability growth	Government Sector Accounting	Human Resource Accounting	Impact of Rotation of Auditors on audit quality in the Indian context	Integrated Reporting
	International Taxation Laws	Reducing tax evasion	Simplification of Human Resource Laws	Transparency in reporting	Water Audit	

Being an illustrative list, the areas indicated are 'not exhaustive' but indicate areas which came in the realm of accountancy profession qualitatively and ultimately

achieve tranquility, serenity and stability in the financial systems. The topics of national level or country specific are specifically excluded from these categories.

Eligibility Criteria of the Awards

1 An Individual undertaking research in the mentioned coverage areas

2 Participant could be from any country as jurisdiction is international

3 The research work should be published.

Category of the Awards



One GOLD Shield in each category for the Best Research Paper.



One SILVER Shield in each category for the Second-Best Research Paper.



One BRONZE Shield in each category for commendable Research Paper.



Take Away for Nominees

Recognition/Endorsement

Receiving recognition at International forum from such a high caliber judging panel represents a significant endorsement for your research.

Exposure

The International Research Awards provides exposure to emerging areas of research with potential for developing new projects, alliances with various stakeholders.

Learning

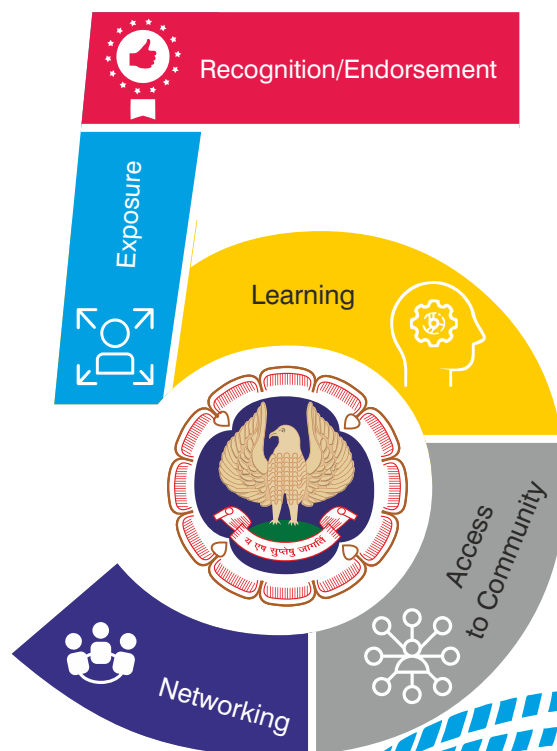
The Awards presents opportunity to learn about upcoming and ongoing research globally from fellow researchers.

Networking

The awards will provide a unique NETWORKING opportunity to researchers from the globe to network with each other. This will pave the way for collaborative research.

Access To Community

IRA provides the opportunity for cooperation and learning from each other across various industries, segments and national borders. It simply inspires us all to become better.



Nomination Process and General Guidelines

1. Only online nomination is allowed
2. Only individuals can submit the Research papers
3. Research Papers should be in the form of published research work
4. Research Paper should contain ISSN/ISBN number
5. Researcher paper should not be self-nominated i.e. the same should be nominated by Nominating Agency.
6. Nominating agency can be in the form of Research Institution/Agency, Educational Institutions, Corporates, Individual.
7. Nomination will be accepted only between invite open date to close date.
8. To nominate the research paper for Award, the Nominating agency is required to submit a nomination letter for each nomination i.e. if nominating agency nominates more than one research paper, then for each paper, a separate nomination letter is required.
9. One Research Paper is to be nominated in one category only.
10. Nomination must contain consent of Author and contact details of Author and Nominating Entity.
11. The awardee may be asked to present their Research Paper for the benefit of larger audience.
12. Decisions of the Panel of Judges (Jury) in all the matters relating to the Competition will be final.
13. Selection of awardees in specified categories are made through software, review by subject matter experts and then by eminent Jury.



Review Process

Whole process will be online without any human intervention (without the need of physical presence at any stage)



There will be five panels of technical reviewers (one panel for each broad category) to assist Jury Panel in initial scoring/screening of the nomination received.

Each nomination shall be sent to the technical reviewer (TR) of respective category TR panel, each technical reviewer shall award score on a uniform score sheet. The weighted score derived from the score of all technical reviewers shall be sent to dashboard of each Jury member.



Jury panel may decide to review all nominations, or they may select to review top scored few nominations based on weighted score given by technical review panel. The award shall be given based on weighted score given by jury panel.



Timeline and Application Process



Award
Ceremony

16 Jan, 2021

**Recognise the best researchers
in a ceremony**



Last Date

Closure of Portal

31 Oct, 2020 | 05:00 p.m. (IST)

Call for Published Research Papers

Last Date to Receive Papers



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