



UNCTAD-AIB Award for Research on Investment and Development

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As you might be aware, and as per our discussions during the 8th World Investment Forum in Abu Dhabi, UNCTAD and the Academy of International Business (AIB) now accept policy-oriented papers on international investment in development from PhD students and early-career researchers with no more than 5 years of experience.

Overview: The [UNCTAD Division of Investment and Enterprise](#) (DIAE) and the [Academy of International Business](#) (AIB) have jointly established an award for the best young academic research work on international investment and development. Winners of this award receive a certificate of recognition at the AIB Annual Meeting, an invitation to apply for a three-month consultancy contract with UNCTAD's Division of Investment and Enterprise, and an invitation to publish their award-winning paper in the peer-reviewed UNCTAD journal *Transnational Corporations*.

Application: Eligible papers should meet the following criteria:

- (1) Original and innovative research;
- (2) Topical issues with a discussion of policy implications;
- (3) Focus on development (i.e. how to ensure that international investment and multinational enterprises contribute to sustainable development).

The paper must not have been previously published. Co-authorship is permitted provided all authors meet the stated conditions.

Eligibility: This award is open to PhD students and early-career researchers with no more than five years of full-time work experience. Applicants for this award must submit a previously unpublished paper with an explicit focus on policy and international development.

The awarded author will receive:

- A certificate
- An invitation to apply for a three-month consultancy contract at UNCTAD's Division of Investment and Enterprise.
- An invitation to publish their winning paper in the peer-reviewed UNCTAD journal "Transnational Corporations", subject to the standard procedures of the journal. More details regarding the submission guidelines and reward package can be found [here](#)

The submission deadline is **March 1, 2024**.

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