

**PSIA – CASDEN  
CALL FOR PAPERS 2021**

**Prize for Best Paper dedicated to Social and Solidarity Economy**

PSIA and CASDEN are jointly offering a prize to PSIA students who will produce a research paper dedicated to social entrepreneurship. Social innovation, in cohesion with entrepreneurial spirit, aims to resolve current social and environmental challenges, to deliver inclusive growth and sustainable ventures.

The PSIA-CASDEN Prize will tackle this year the relationship between Social and Solidarity Economy and local development.

Since 2012, PSIA has offered courses for its students to learn about Social and Solidarity Economy, and to prepare themselves for potential careers linked to this booming sector. CASDEN is a founding partner of PSIA efforts to develop a platform for social innovation that encourages, nurtures and disseminates a variety of student and school-led initiatives. At the heart of Social and Solidarity Economy, CASDEN is the cooperative bank for the French public sector as a whole, created in 1951. It is a cooperative bank with a national dimension and is part of the network Groupe BPCE.

Eligibility

- All PSIA students are eligible: degree-seeking students (first year, gap year, second year, dual degree) and exchange students.

Requirements

- Topic for 2021 edition: **How can social and solidarity economy make a meaningful contribution to local development?**
- The format should be a research paper.
- Papers can be written in French or English.
- Papers should not exceed 5 pages (double-spaced, Calibri, size 11). Bibliography should not go over 1 page.
- Please kindly remember to consult the [anti-plagiarism regulations](#). The work should be your own.

Prize

The authors of the two best papers -selected on an objective and competitive basis- will be rewarded:

- First prize: the author will receive an **award of 1000€** and his/her paper will be published online.
- Second prize: the author will receive an **award of 500€** and his/her paper will be published online.

Calendar

- Deadline to submit a paper: **Wednesday 3 March 2021** (by 23:59pm Paris time)
- Papers should be sent by email to: [psia.scholarships@sciencespo.fr](mailto:psia.scholarships@sciencespo.fr) with "PSIA-CASDEN" in the subject line.
- Submissions will be reviewed by a joint PSIA-CASDEN selection committee and will be judged on the quality of the research (originality and accuracy) and the quality of the writing (command of language).
- Results will be announced to all candidates by early April 2021. The prizes will be awarded during a joint PSIA-CASDEN award ceremony in April 2021.