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 Applicants for this award must submit a previously unpublished paper with an explicit focus on policy and international development.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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