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ABDOULAYE FADIGA PRIZE **2026 EDITION**

The **BCEAO** is launching the 2026 edition of the **Abdoulaye FADIGA Prize (PAF)**, which pays tribute to the first African Governor of the BCEAO (1975-1988).

The PAF encourages **excellence** in economic research and promotes **innovative approaches** to help address the challenges facing the economies of the West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU).

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AWARDS

WINNER:

10.000.000 FCFA
(\simeq €15,240)

A paid research stay
at the BCEAO for one
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5.000.000 FCFA
(\simeq €7,620)

ELIGIBILITY

- Researcher or team of researchers in economics who are nationals of WAEMU countries
- Aged forty-five (45) years or under on December 31 2026
- Holders of at least a Master's degree in Economics

LANGUAGE

- Studies must be submitted in **English, French, or Portuguese**

**SUBMISSION
DEADLINE:**

**AUGUST 31
2026**



For more informations

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THEMES

- Macroeconomic issues (monetary, fiscal, and financial policies)
- Financial stability and micro-/macro-prudential policies
- Economic growth and development financing
- Regional economic integration issues
- Impact of rising protectionism, economic fragmentation, and trade wars on the WAEMU's economies and economic policy implications
- Climate change and associated risks
- Digitalization, financial inclusion and innovations
- Impacts of exogenous shocks on economies
- Any other topic of interest for the economies of the BCEAO and WAEMU

APPLICATION FILE

Should be sent to : prixabdoulayefadiga@bceao.int

- ✓ Duly completed and signed application form
- ✓ Full study + 500-word summary / **NB: The study is not subject to revision**
- ✓ **Original study: not published as an article, working paper, etc.**
- ✓ Up-to-date resume + valid passport or national identification document
- ✓ Anti-plagiarism charter duly signed
- ✓ Database and codes/programs used in the quantitative analysis

- The Prize Rules, application forms, and anti-plagiarism charter can be downloaded from the following websites: <https://www.bceao.int/fr/content/prix-abdoulaye-fadiga> or <https://cofeb.bceao.int/abdoulaye-fadiga>
- These documents are also available at the National branches of the BCEAO. For further information, please write to: courrier.zdaji@bceao.int
- **All formalities related to the application for this Prize are free of charges.**

