



Association of International Petroleum Negotiators®

STUDENT WRITING COMPETITION 2012

For the tenth consecutive year, the AIPN is sponsoring a student writing competition.

The competition is open to all full time seniors in a four year program and all graduate students enrolled at an accredited university in either the fall 2012 or spring 2013 semesters. Essays should be an original work at editorial length (no more than 4,000 words) on any specific issue of the student's choice which is directly related to international petroleum negotiations, such as matters of contract, law or policy.

All essays must be submitted to the AIPN by e-mail no later than May 13, 2012, accompanied by a current biography of the author, and his/her contact details. Applicants will be notified of the winners by June 24, 2012.

Students enrolled at schools associated with our Student Outreach Program* must submit their papers to the professor representing the school in the Program, who will submit the top four (4) papers from that school. Students who are not enrolled at schools represented in the Student Outreach program or the AIPN Educational Advisory Board may submit their papers directly to the AIPN. Two prizes will be awarded, although the AIPN reserves the right to award only one prize or none at all, if it determines that none of the submitted entries justify an award. The essays will be reviewed by a committee comprised of educators, lawyers, business managers and international negotiators. Selection of the winning essay is solely at the discretion of the committee. Essays will be judged on topical relevance, originality of content, creativity, insight, clarity and support for viewpoints taken. Each student may submit only one entry. Essays become the property of the AIPN.

*AIPN Student Outreach Program associated schools:

Agostinho Neto University - College of Law
University of Alberta
University of Calgary
Center for Energy Economics
Colorado School of Mines
The University of Denver
University of Dundee
Univ. of Houston Law Center
The IFP School (France)
University of Oklahoma
University of Qatar
Rio de Janeiro State University

SMU Dedman School of Law
South Texas College of Law
Texas A&M -The Bush School of Government & Public Service
University of Texas at Austin
University of Texas
-Rex G. Baker Centennial Chair in Natural Resource Law
Texas Tech University
University of Tokyo, School of Law
University of Tulsa
University of Western Australia

The selection of the recipients will be at the sole discretion of the AIPN. The AIPN reserves the right to award up to 2 winners or none at all. Previous winners are not eligible to participate again.

The award includes:

- Registration to the AIPN International Conference and its related evening events, the 2012 conference will be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (October 21-24, 2012)
- Roundtrip, advance booking coach ticket to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- \$300 expense reimbursement, for expenses incurred directly relating to this conference, and supported by receipts
- Standard lodging at the conference location during the conference, and
- Student membership in the AIPN for one year (remainder of 2012 and the full year 2013).

In addition, the winning essays may be published by AIPN in the *Advisor* and may be eligible for publication in the *Journal of World Energy Law and Business*, published by Oxford University Press.

Students related to current AIPN Officers or Directors are not eligible to win. Student Writing Competition winners are excluded from participating again.

Entries, accompanied by the author's biography and contact details, should be submitted by e-mail to Alyssa@aipn.org in Word format no later than May 13, 2012.

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