

Call for Expression of Interest

ECRI SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL

The European Credit Research Institute (ECRI) is calling for applications from academics to become members of its incoming Scientific Council.

ECRI is an independent, non-profit research institute that develops its expertise from an interdisciplinary team and networks of academic cooperation partners. ECRI provides in-depth analysis and insight into the structure, evolution and regulation of retail financial services markets in Europe. Through its research activities, publications and conferences, ECRI keeps its members up-to-date on a variety of topics in the area of retail financial services at the European level, such as consumer credit and housing loans, credit reporting, consumer protection and electronic payments. ECRI also provides a venue for its members to participate in the EU level policy discussion.

The ECRI Scientific Council will be composed by 4 or 5 academics and meet one or two times a year. Members may be invited to participate in the ECRI Executive Committee meetings. Members of the Scientific Council will be appointed for a period of three years.

ECRI Scientific Council members will advise ECRI researchers and ensure that ECRI research is of sufficient quality by reviewing its publications. They will also participate in the selection committee when ECRI launches a call for papers. They might also have the opportunity to participate in ECRI events as speakers and to publish on the ECRI website as external authors.

The members of the Scientific Council will obtain some of the benefits of ECRI Members such as:

- Participation in ECRI events and debates
- Information on ECRI's current research and activities
- Free access to ECRI's Statistical Packages
- Access to external research and EU policy networks

Submission Criteria

The election of successful candidates will be based on:

- Academic performance (publications and reputation in academic circles)
- Proximity to the areas of interest of ECRI (retail payments, consumer credit, overindebtedness, credit infrastructure and digital finance)
- Affinity to European retail finance policies
- Diversity in the academic disciplines (economics, finance, law, etc.)
- Geographical and gender diversity

Selection procedure

- Applications must contain:
 - A CV;
 - A short cover letter expressing the reasons and interest in the application; and,
 - An example of a recent research paper linked to one of the areas in which ECRI is active.
- The applications will be reviewed by the selection committee.
- A selection of the applicants will be invited for a short call.
- A selection of the applicants will be presented to the ECRI Executive Committee
- Successful candidates will be officially invited to become members of the Scientific Council
- The successful candidates will be nominated by nominated by the ECRI Executive Committee

Applications must be sent to ecri@ceps.eu

Deadline for application: 31 July 2022

Contact person

For questions about the call please contact Beatriz Pozo (beatriz.pozo@ceps.eu).

Selection Committee

- **Willem Pieter De Groen** (ECRI)
- **Karel Lannoo** (ECRI)