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# *The ICER Chronicle*

## Call for Articles

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## 1 Purpose of The ICER Chronicle

The International Confederation of Energy Regulators (ICER) is a voluntary framework for cooperation among electricity and gas regulators from around the globe. Our aim is to improve public and policy-maker awareness and understanding of energy regulation and its role in addressing a wide spectrum of socio-economic, environmental and market issues. Through ICER, energy regulatory issues can transcend regional and national boundaries and be addressed through dialogue and cooperation on a global scale.

In 2010, ICER established its Distinguished Scholar Awards with a view to contributing to an increased reflection on energy regulation policy issues. These Awards acknowledge important contributions made to enhance electricity and gas regulation around the world. The ICER Distinguished Scholar Award has had the following themes:

- 2010: The Impact of Renewables on Energy Regulation
- 2012: Integrating New Technologies into the Grid
- 2015: Creating and Managing Regional Energy Markets

Going forward, the ICER Distinguished Scholar Award will be given every three years, in conjunction with the World Forum on Energy Regulation. WFER VII will take place in Spring 2018, hosted by the Energy Regulatory Commission of Mexico.

In December 2013, ICER launched a new publication – The ICER Chronicle - as a means to further promote its goals of enhanced exchange of regulatory research and expertise. The ICER Chronicle, organized under the auspices of Virtual Working Group 4: Regulatory Best Practices, is published twice a year in an electronic format and selected articles enhance regulatory knowledge around the world. The articles should be shorter than those solicited for the ICER Distinguished Scholar Award and provide a variety of perspectives on defined technical topics. As with the ICER Distinguished Scholar Award, it is important to include articles from and of relevance to developing and transitioning economies.

The ICER Chronicle is open to submissions from regulators, academia, industry, consultants and others (such as consumer groups). This ensures a variety of perspectives and increases the exchange of information and messages among the various groups.

## 2 Specifications

The articles or papers should not exceed 3,500 words in length. In accordance with the official working language of ICER, papers must be submitted in the English language. New papers and papers previously published or delivered in other venues after October 31, 2015 will be considered.

The papers may be authored by one or more persons. The submission should include a description by the applicant of if/when the paper was published and/or delivered at a conference. The paper must also be accompanied by a brief curriculum vitae of the author(s). The papers may have been published elsewhere with a reference to this effect in the [Submission Form](#). Members of the Editorial Board are not precluded from submitting articles.



All entries will remain the property of the author(s). Papers selected for The ICER Chronicle may be published and diffused on ICER's and its members' websites.

### 3 Criteria

Papers will be considered that:

- **Practical and useful:** Does the paper provide tangible benefits for international community of energy regulators? Does the paper provide ease of use and adaptability by national regulatory agencies?
- **Potential for impact.** Does the paper have the Potential to affect policy change? Does the content directly affect the work of regulators and/or impact other energy issues? Does the paper present an insightful idea?
- **Relevance.** Does the paper provide information that will be relevant for the next few years?
- **Quality of work.** Is the paper easy to read and understand? (This does not refer to whether facts/data/analysis have been verified.)

Each edition of The ICER Chronicle will include a selection of articles that is applicable to ICER's diverse international membership. Please note that the Editorial Board has the right to disqualify papers that are seen as advertising a specific commercial product or consulting service.

### 4 Submission Process

This is an ongoing open call for articles. Any author may submit his/her paper directly to ICER ([chronicle@icer-regulators.net](mailto:chronicle@icer-regulators.net)) using [this Submission Form](#). ICER members may also submit articles on their own behalf or on behalf of an author, provided they have confirmed with the candidate and he/she has given approval and meets all required specifications and criteria.

### 5 Selection Process

ICER's Virtual Working Group 4: Regulatory Best Practices has selected an Editorial Board, which will make final decisions on which articles to include in each edition of The ICER Chronicle. This is not considered a formal academic journal and as such, articles will be selected by the Editorial Board but will not be subject to a stringent peer review process. In addition, articles will be selected or declined as they were submitted; ICER will not provide substantive comments or edits.

#### 5.1 Selection Timeline

August 25, 2017 – Public Call for Articles

December 20, 2017 – Deadline for Submission of Articles  
(24:00 London time)

March 2018 – Publication of the ICER Chronicle



## **6 Editorial Board**

The Editorial Board is comprised of a diverse group of international experts drawn from regulators, utilities, academia, consultants and others. Individuals were nominated by ICER member regional regulatory associations and boast a range of stakeholder perspective from around the world.