

Socare Award

Since 2019 the Society of Caribbean Research (Socare e.V.) offers a biannual prize for dissertations in the field of Caribbean studies in the social sciences, humanities or cultural studies. The aim is to promote early-career researchers. In particular, innovative as well as inter- and transdisciplinary research approaches are to be honored and thus presented to a wider academic and general public. The dissertation can be submitted in German, English, Spanish or French.

For the submission of a dissertation the following requirements must be met:

- 1) A strong Caribbean focus of the research work.
- 2) The defense must have taken place within the last 24 months before October 1 of the application year.

Both personal and external applications are possible. A membership of Socare e.V. is not a prerequisite for participation. The closing date for applications is October 1 of each odd-numbered year.

The application should contain the following documents:

- Dissertation
- Curriculum vitae in tabular form
- Summary of the dissertation (ca. 2 pages, English)
- Two dissertation reviews

The documents should be submitted in electronic form (PDF format) to award@caribbeanresearch.net

The review procedure has two stages: Recognised experts in the respective subject areas will evaluate the entries, followed by the final selection of the award-winning work by the Executive Board. The Board will make its decision based on the expert opinions. The evaluation will be carried out by two experts who will be appointed from among the Socare e.V. advisory board and the honorary members, if possible. The evaluation consists of a concise, freely worded text and a standardised template. The association reserves the right to suspend the award for substantial reasons.

The Socare Award comes with a prize money of 1000 Euros and a free one-year membership of Socare e.V.

The Socare Award and the winning entry will be presented at the following Socare e.V. Conference.

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