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AFSE promotes research in all economic fields, whatever the subjects and methodologies, taking into account the multiplicities of approaches in our discipline. To achieve this objective, AFSE organizes and contributes to the organization of scientific conferences and awards several prizes.

AFSE has been organizing its Annual Conference since it was established in 1950. The “Entretiens de l’AFSE” is an annual event, which is dedicated to a topical subject related to economic policy (held in Lyon during the “Journées de l’Economie”).

Every year, AFSE awards several prizes with the objective to promote top standard economic research:

- The AFSE PhD thesis prize;
- The Edmond Malinvaud prize for the best scientific paper published by a French economist under 40 (since 2010);
- Moreover, AFSE has granted the PhD thesis prize on Monetary, Financial and Banking issues since 2007, in partnership with the Banque de France Foundation.

Each winner of the PhD prize (AFSE and Banque de France Foundation) and the Edmond Malinvaud prize receives a sum of 3,000 €. These prizes are presented during the AFSE Annual Conference.

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The jurys of all these prizes are mostly composed of members of the board of AFSE.

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- Training in economics; Masters in economics; doctoral schools; economics in secondary school;
- Economic News; latest publications, conferences, economic blogs, etc.
- Job ads and news about public research/academic institutions; competitive exams in universities and public research institutions; other job ads for economists; also news about recruitment procedures (CNU, CNRS, etc.)
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