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**Regulation for the Support of Merit Prizes awarded BNP
Paribas in Introduction to Mathematical Finance
2020/2021**

Article 1

(Object)

1. This regulation establishes the conditions for the attribution of an annual academic merit award to the best student of the Curricular Unit of Introduction to Mathematical Finance of the Department of Mathematics of IST in the academic year 2020/2021.

2. Each BENEFICIARY of an academic merit prize will receive a certificate mentioning this distinction signed by the President of IST and the PATRON (BNP Paribas), if it so wishes, and prize money that will vary according to the distinction.

Article 2

(Application conditions)

In the 2020/2021 edition, candidates for the BNP Paribas Merit Award in Introduction to Mathematical Finance will be all IST students enrolled in UC Introduction to Mathematical Finance.

Article 3

(Specific Rules and Conditions)

1. Students will be ranked according to the final grade as defined in the U.C. Introduction to Mathematical Finance evaluation method, upon evaluation by the jury.

2. If there is a tie, for the tiebreaker selected students should make a Pitch for the jury.
If, after applying the tiebreaker criterion, the tie still persists, the jury will decide the best way to make the tiebreaker.

3. Honorable mentions will be given to the 3 best students who have a grade higher than 17.

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Article 4

(Prize)

The monetary prize to be given to the BENEFICIARY will have a value of € 1,350 (one thousand fifty hundred euros).

Article 5

(Dissemination of and Award Ceremony for the Academic Merit Prize)

1. IST will publicize the prize and the respective award ceremony through its usual channels, mentioning the PATRON as sponsor and providing reference and visibility, if authorized to do so and obtained its approval for promotional material.
2. The PATRON will be able to publicize the prize provided that it includes the necessary references to IST and obtain its approval for the promotional material it uses.

Article 6

(Confidentiality)

1. The PATRON and those of its appointees who have access to personal and academic information of IST students must maintain their confidentiality and undertake to use it solely for the BENEFICIARIES' selection process.
2. Unless agreed otherwise, the confidentiality obligation in the previous paragraph also includes information relating to the BENEFICIARIES.

Article 7

(Jury)

1. The jury panel must be composed of more than one IST faculty member so that they have a majority of the votes.

In the 2020/2021 edition, the jury will be composed of two members of IST and one member of the sponsor BNP Paribas:

- Prof. Cláudia Philippart (IST)
- Prof. José Mourão (IST)
- Prof. Pedro Girão (IST)
- Pierre Hanton (BNP Paribas)
- François Girardot (BNP Paribas)

Lisbon, June 16, 2021