

Mannheimer Forum Accounting & Taxation e.V. MaFAT Research Award

The MaFAT Research Award **recognizes significant research publications in the field of accounting or taxation** by non-tenured faculty members, postdocs or PhD students of the University of Mannheim. The award will be granted annually to individual researchers and includes a **€ 1,000 prize**. The prize can be split among several laureates. The award ceremony is part of the Annual MaFAT Event that is held during the fall term (the award is conditional on the laureate attending the Annual Event).

Requirements

All authors of publications in the field of accounting or taxation are eligible for the 2026 award if they meet the following criteria:

- The author is a non-tenured faculty member, postdoc or PhD student at the University of Mannheim.
- The paper has been published or accepted for publication in a peer-reviewed scientific journal in 2026 or 2027.
- At least one of the authors is affiliated with the University of Mannheim at the publication date.
- An author may receive the award multiple times but only once for each publication.

Nominations

Every member of MaFAT is invited to nominate a researcher who meets the criteria stated above. An informal email indicating the name of the researcher and the exact reference to the publication is sufficient. Self-nominations are very well possible. If the paper is not yet in print, proof of acceptance for publication is required (e.g., the acceptance letter from the editor). Nominations are due by **June 30, 2026**, and should be sent to Sophie Ockert, via email (sophie.ockert@uni-mannheim.de).

Award Committee

All nominations will be screened and evaluated by a standing award committee. The 2026 committee members are Professors Jannis Bischof, Dirk Simons, Christoph Spengel, Johannes Voget representing the Area Accounting & Taxation as well as Dr. Ralf Braunagel representing the MaFAT e.V.