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The Daniel Meckstroth Award for Excellence in Manufacturing Research \$3,000 Prize for Best Paper

NABE is pleased to announce a partnership with the Manufacturers Alliance for Productivity and Innovation (MAPI) to present the new “Daniel Meckstroth Award for Excellence in Manufacturing Research.” Daniel Meckstroth served as MAPI’s lead economist from 1991-2016. For a quarter-century, Dr. Meckstroth was widely recognized as a chief economic spokesperson for the U.S. manufacturing sector and was considered one of the premier manufacturing researchers in the country. A prolific writer, his quarterly industrial forecast for the sector was used as a benchmark for manufacturing companies for two decades.

This award will honor Dr. Meckstroth’s contributions by recognizing the author(s) of original research that provides the greatest insights and value to promoting or improving the competitiveness of American manufacturing. Please note: MAPI staff are not eligible for the award.

How to Apply:

1. E-mail an abstract of no more than 250 words (one page, double-spaced) of a proposed paper (with no author identification) and a separate page with affiliation and contact information no later than September 20, 2017, to Michele Soresi at msoresi@nabe.com. Topics should reflect original, unpublished research by the author(s).
2. By October 4, a Selection Committee appointed by the *Business Economics* Editor will review the anonymous abstracts. Up to eight abstracts will be selected. The authors will be requested to provide completed papers for review by December 20. The guidelines for preparation will be the same as those for all manuscripts submitted to *Business Economics*. These guidelines are printed in *Business Economics*, and they are also available on the NABE website (<http://www.nabe.com/BusinessEconomics>) or on request from the Editor of *Business Economics*.
3. From these final papers, the Selection Committee will select one for presentation at a session of the 2018 NABE Economic Policy Conference, February 25-27, 2018, at the Capital Hilton, in Washington, DC. The winner(s) will be notified by January 31, 2018.
4. The following awards will be made to the author(s) of the selected paper:
 - a. The author(s) of the best paper will receive the Daniel Meckstroth Award for Excellence in Manufacturing Research, a cash prize of \$3,000 from *The NABE Foundation*, a commemorative plaque, and will pay no fee for attendance at the NABE Economic Policy Conference. The paper (as modified by the author(s) if desired) will be published in a future issue of *Business Economics*.
 - b. The remaining papers will be reviewed for publication in future issues of *Business Economics*.
5. In fairness to all prospective authors, you are requested to adhere strictly to the deadlines and other instructions listed above. If you have questions, please contact Michele Soresi at msoresi@nabe.com.