Dear Student,

We wish to inform that this year (2019), SIRC of the ICSI is organizing 19th All India Essay Writing Competition for the students of Foundation, Executive and Professional Programme of ICSI.

The topic is given hereunder:

**For Foundation Programme Students:**

*Lifting of Corporate Veil – Undesirable yet Necessary*

**For Executive Programme Students:**

*Importance of Insider Trading in the Era of Social Media*

**For Professional Programme Students:**

*Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Governance and Regulation.*

**Eligibility Criteria**

Participation is restricted to the *bona fide* – registered students of the ICSI.

Students of ICSI who have cleared all modules of Professional Programme are not eligible to participate.

**Fee**

There will be no participation fee for the competition.
Pattern of the Competition

- Maximum word limit – 1500 words.
- The language should be English only.
- The essay should be typed in times new roman, 12 size with double spacing.
- The hand written essays will not be accepted.
- The essay should be the original work of the student and it should not be copied from anywhere. The writing should not have grammatical error as well as overlapping of contents.
- There should be structural coherence. The introduction and conclusion of the essay should be proper and rational.
- The evaluation will be made on the basis of content, coverage, facts, writing spirit inclined towards the topic and logical presentation with due rationale. The decision of the Jury shall be final & binding on all the participants.
- The printout of the Essay as per above specification should be taken and signed on all pages by the participating student. Further, the scanned copy of the same should be sent to siro@icsi.edu;
- The hard copy with covering letter bearing
  i) Student’s Name ii) Registration No. iii) Stage of Course i.e. Foundation / Executive / Professional programme iv) Complete postal address with pin code and v) Mobile No. and E-mail id

are required to be sent by post in a duly sealed cover super scribed as “19th All India Essay Writing Competition” to the following address:

Joint Secretary,
The Institute of Company Secretaries of India
Southern India Regional Office
9, Wheat Crofts Road,
Nungambakkam,
Chennai 600 034

LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF ESSAY IS 12th OCTOBER, 2019

Jury

An eminent jury comprising of three senior academicians shall be constituted to adjudge top three essays submitted by the students of the three stages.
Cash Awards

To attract larger participation, it is proposed to introduce cash awards as per the following details:

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Three all India Winners of each stage (i.e. Foundation, Executive and Professional) shall be selected through the competition, who will be given cash award & certificates at the end of the competition.

Despatch of Cash Awards and Certificates to the Winners

All nine winners of this competition shall be given the Cash Awards and Commendation Certificates. The Cash Award and Certificate shall be sent to the respective students at their registered addresses.

Miscellaneous

1. The decision of the judges as regards the result of the competition will be the final and binding;
2. The Institute’s decision regarding interpretation of rules or any other matter related to competition will be final;
3. If there is any situation not contemplated in the rules, the decision of the Institute shall be final.
Thanking you,

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