The LEW 2016 Best Paper Award

The LEW Best Paper Award, sponsored by MPOWER (Massey University) and CLEW (Victoria University of Wellington), is LEW's way of identifying and honouring the best research submitted to the 2016 conference. The winners of the LEW Best Paper Award are publicised widely among the business and academic community during and after the conference. The prize of NZ$600 will be presented to author(s) at the Conference.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for consideration for an award, applicants must meet all of the following criteria:
- register, attend and present the paper at the LEW Conference, in accordance with the submission guidelines of the conference. A single or co-authored full paper submission must be received by **5pm on Friday 18th of November**;
- the paper may be a conceptual or empirical work; and
- subsequently be submitted to the *Labour and Industry* journal for consideration for publication.

Merit Criteria

As the intent of the awards is to honour and facilitate outstanding scholarship, academic merit will be judged on the basis of contribution in terms of progressing understanding of employment relations, labour/work studies, HRM and/or relevant discipline(s) in conceptual and/or empirical terms. Papers will be assessed with regard to:

- their clarity and comprehensibility;
- relevance to the field;
- appropriateness and rigour of research methods (where relevant)
- importance of empirical findings or theoretical/conceptual development; and
- significance of the contribution to the field.

Award Selection Committee

The award selection committee will comprise senior scholars, including CLEW and MPOWER representatives. The decision of the selection committee will be final. The prize will comprise one cheque for NZ$600 plus a certificate for each of the (co-)authors. MPOWER-CLEW may opt not to make the Award if the standard of papers does not meet expected standards of academic excellence.

If you wish to be considered for this award, please indicate this on the front page of your paper when making your submission.