A PRRES Early Researcher PhD Prize for ‘Best Paper’ Based on PhD paper submissions- AUD$400

1. This prize is to be awarded to a postgraduate student who is in the early stage of their research and have so far completed their (1) initial research proposal and (2) literature review.
2. Students who wish to be considered for the Early Researcher Prize should submit a research summary of not more than three pages, plus references, for review no later than the 31st October 2018.
3. Students are to nominate their entry for consideration for the award.
4. Students are to supply written verification from their supervisor that they are in the early stage (see above) of their postgraduate study.
5. Students who submit for this award are excluded from applying the PRRES Scholarships.
6. Students who submit for this award may be given the opportunity to present at the Postgraduate Colloquium.
7. Students who submit for this award are eligible for the PhD Prize for ‘Best Presenter on the Day’.
8. The early research submissions will be considered by a panel of academics with a view to clarity, rigour and application.
9. The submission is to be a summary of the research to date, not a paper. The early research summary should address the following themes:
   - The academic issue being studied
   - Why the issue is important both academically and practically
   - The existing literature and how this has contributed to the concepts, theory and frameworks being used.
10. To be eligible for the prize, students need to submit their summary within the timeframe, attend the Postgraduate Colloquium and have registered for the PRRES Conference.
11. Summaries should be sent through as a word attachment to Jerry.liang@deakin.edu.au

The first page should include:
- The name of the candidate
- The academic institution
- Level of work (PhD or Masters)
- Name of supervisor(s)
- Working title of research

A letter or email from the supervisor confirming the early stage of the research should accompany the application and be addressed to Jerry Liang at Jerry.liang@deakin.edu.au