2026 CRESSE CONFERENCE
CRESSE & CCIA YOUNG RESEARCHERS AWARDS

2026 Awards for the Best Young Researcher Papers, selected by the CRESSE Scientific Committee

For the sixth consecutive year CRESSE & CCIA provided awards to the three best papers, selected among those submitted for presentation at the CRESSE 2026 Conference, by **young researchers.** The winners were selected by the Scientific Committee of CRESSE and announced on Sunday July 5, during the 2026 CRESSE Conference, and we are happy to share the winners and their papers.

Paul Friederiszick, Fordham School of Law

received one of the three CRESSE Best Paper Awards for Young Researchers for his paper “The Conglomerate Power Puzzle”

Enxhi Leka, Institut Mines-Télécom Business School

received the award given by the Computer and Communications Industry Association (CCIA) for her paper “Exploring Digital Sovereignty Through Data Flows: Empirical Evidence from the Backbone of the Internet”

Zhonglin Li, National University of Singapore

received one of the three CRESSE Best Paper Awards for Young Researchers for her paper “Vertical Control and Retail Competition: Evidence from Consumer Battery Industry” (joint with Hsin-Tien Tsai)

Kevin Ducbao Tran, University of Bristol

received one of the three CRESSE Best Paper Awards for Young Researchers for his paper “Airbnb, Hotels, and Localized Competition” (joint with Maximilian Schaefer)