

YIFFY Award Topic - 2020

Please select one key import commodity/cargo for your home country, plus one key export commodity/cargo.

For the import cargo the choice of origin should be realistic.

Likewise, for the export cargo, the destination should be a realistic destination.

Candidates are expected to show initiative over the voyages of these cargoes.

Your dissertation will be judged on the following criteria:

- 1) Complexity of issues related to the cargo matter (e.g., bulk cargo, over-sized/overweight project cargo, time sensitive cargo, reefer and/or perishable goods, hazardous goods, but also including factors such as terms of sale etc.);
- 2) Complexity of issues relating to multimodal moves. Please do not use unimodal cargo in your dissertation;
- 3) Difficulties overcome relating to cross-border issues, such as customs formalities, Bond issues, Highway Ordinances etc.;
- 4) Complexity of Regulatory issues faced during the voyage - including, but, not limited to security provision, pollution and environmental issues;
- 5) Risk management/insurance hurdles overcome, for example, pilferage of cargo, declaration of General Average, Leakage/spillage of cargo;
- 6) Structure (including the sources of your information);
- 7) Approach to the problems faced and Methodology used to overcome the various issues;
- 8) Conclusion;
- 9) General Presentation (including for example a recognised referencing system).

Extra marks will be awarded for the complexity of the problems overcome during these voyages.

The dissertation and conclusion shall be between 4,000 and 6,000 words (max. 6000 words) in length and, the entire dissertation shall be written in English. Candidates may write their dissertation in French, German or Spanish but must provide an English translation of the text (not the attachments). Attachments must not exceed 15 pages !

Submissions containing more than 6,000 words will be penalised.

Dissertations submitted in a locked format may be disqualified.

Candidates are expected to use a recognised referencing system (like those of the Harvard Referencing System or Chicago Referencing System, etc.).

*For guidance and examples of winning dissertations from previous competition years please refer to the following link <http://fiata.com/learning/yiffy-award/dissertations.html>