

Submission Fee Proposal

Beginning July 1, 2009 the *North American Journal of Economics and Finance* will introduce a submission fee of \$80 US. Approximately two-thirds of the fee will be used to reward referees for their time and effort in producing a useful and timely referee report. The remainder will be used to finance the costs of copy editing a selection of accepted manuscripts. Authors wishing to submit papers will use the usual EES online submission procedure (<http://ees.elsevier.com/najef/mainpage.html>). Authors will be given the option to join the International Banking, Economics and Finance Association (IBEFA). However, membership in IBEFA is entirely voluntary.

Only if the Editors decide that a submission is suitable to be sent out to referees will authors be required to submit payment via Paypal. Otherwise no payment is required. Special Issues and Symposia will not result in the collection of a submission fee. If a revision is requested there will be no additional submission fee.

Payment to referees: \$60.00 US

Payment to fund for copy editing: \$20.00 per manuscript.

Payment scale to referees:

\$60.00 or a 'coupon' for a free submission to the NAJEF if a report is submitted within 6 weeks;

\$40.00 if a report is submitted within 9 weeks.

\$0.00 if a report is submitted past 9 weeks.

Funds not used to pay referees would revert back to the fund set up for copy editing expenses.