
ACCC Economics/Law Award

On 29 June 1998 the Commission presented its inaugural Economics/Law Award to Miss Bianca Parakh for her thesis on an aspect of competition policy.

Miss Parakh recently completed her Bachelor of Commerce (Honours) at La Trobe University. The award of \$1000 was given for her thesis, *Will the recommendations of the Audit Act Review affect the independence of the Victorian Auditor-General and the policy of public sector audits in Victoria?* Her work included a survey of accountants to attempt to establish the impact of the review. Apart from

the guidance which these views provided for this particular legislative review, the methodology adopted could also be used in relation to other legislative reviews.

The award will be made annually. To be eligible for consideration the theses submitted must cover an aspect of competition policy in economics and/or law and have been submitted for an honours or higher degree at an Australian tertiary institution. A call for entries for the 1999 prize will be made shortly.



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