

Testimony of a former laureate of the International Competition of Master's Degree Theses on Economics and Finance

Arnaud CARRIÈRE –Paris Europlace Prize 2011

1) *Name, Current profession, Enterprise, Professional Background.*

CARRIÈRE Arnaud, Financial jurist, HMG Finance.

Professional Background :

HMG Finance

September 2011 – Present

BNP Paribas AM

March 2011 – August 2011

Amundi Investment Solutions

November 2009 – April 2010



2) *When did you participate in the International Competition? What prize have you won?*

I participated in 2011, for the 27th edition of the competition, and I was rewarded with the Paris Europlace Prize.

3) *During your participation in the International Competition of Master's Degree, were you still a student or did you come to finish your studies? Where did you study?*

I was just finishing my studies and I was a student at the Faculty of Law, University Paris Descartes, in a graduate professional Master of Banking and Finance whose director is Mr. Gautier Bourdeaux.

4) *How did you hear about our contest?*

I heard about the competition through the Master of Banking and Finance and through the former students that have been winners in the past.

5) *What led you to participate?*

The honor of seeing his work selected to be judged by his peers and the desire to compete for the colors of the Master of Banking and Finance, Faculty of Law, University Paris Descartes.

6) *Specifically, your participation in this Competition has been a "plus" in your entry into the labor market?*

My participation in this Competition and winning the Paris Europlace Prize allowed me to certify a high level of quality and professionalism in the performance of a difficult task that requires highly technical knowledge.

7) *Five years after winning the Paris Europlace Prizex, you continue to highlight this victory in your career (Highlighted on the summary, etc.)? In general, your audience-they know the competition?*

Without having won the Grand Prize, I always show the Paris Europlace Prize in the 27th Competition in my CV, as well as on my web pages of professional networks. Some of my interlocutors know about the Contest, in general they are already members of certain associations, such as the SFAF.

8) *Are you still in touch with people encountered in the Competition? (Professionals, former candidates, etc. ?)*

Unfortunately I have not had the opportunity to attend another ceremony, but I am keeping myself updated to the events organized by the Centre des Professions Financières.

9) *What advice would you give to participants in the next editions of the International Competition?*

Something I have not done enough, do not hesitate to keep in touch with members of the Centre des Professions Financières and the professionals you meet, especially those who will give you a prize because it is important to constantly exchange in financial professions in perpetual motion.

10) *What conclusions do you draw from your participation in the competition?*

Very rewarding and challenging, this participation has allowed me to develop my academic career, promoting my integration in the professional world.

11) *What are the most important aspects of this competition?*

In this competition what I like the most is its international character and diversity in financial matters.