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Best 2018 Risks & Rewards Article Winners Announced

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ember feedback consistently rates the Investment Section newsletter Risks & Rewards one of the most-valued benefits of the section. The newsletter's success owes a lot to our dedicated editors, Nino Boezio and Joseph Koltisko, and the contributions of all the authors who share their expertise and insight.

The Investment Section Council has set up an annual award for the best Risks & Rewards article published in the year, with the goal of both encouraging more authors to contribute to Risks & Rewards and giving special recognition to the very best articles. For the 2018 award, a three-member jury considered and scored 17 articles under the criteria intellectual rigor, practical significance, investment content, educational value and originality, and has awarded the following prizes:

- \$500, for "Hedging Variable Annuities: How Often Should the Hedging Portfolio be Rebalanced?" by Maciej Augustyniak and Mathieu Boudreault (February issue)
- \$500, for "Optimizing CPPI Investment Strategy for Life Insurance Companies: A Risk-Reward Analysis," by Aymeric Kalife and Saad Mouti (August issue)

These two articles were chosen jointly as best Risks & Rewards articles of 2018. Please join us in congratulating the authors and thanking them for their contributions to Risks & Rewards!

Have an idea you want to share with the Investment Section? We are always looking for educational, thought-provoking, innovative content. Articles for the August 2019 newsletter are due by the end of May; send your submissions to David Schraub (SOA staff partner, dschraub@soa.org) and Joseph Koltisko (August newsletter editor, jkoltisko@nyl.com). Maybe the best 2019 Risks & Rewards article will be yours! ■



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Mark Your Calendars for the 2019 Investment Seminar The Investment Symposium is evolving in 2019 with changes to the name, date and duration. Instead of taking place in March as a separate two-day event, the 2019 Investment Seminar will be tied to the SOA 2019 Annual Meeting & Exhibit. The invest seminar will take place on Sunday, Oct. 27 in Toronto, ON. This now one-day-long seminar will focus on the issues and questions faced by investors and risk managers, especially related to insurance companies and retirement plans.