

Student Assignment: Prize in Economic Sciences 2022 The Role of Banks in Financial Crises



Ben S. Bernanke, Douglas W. Diamond and Philip H. Dybvig are awarded the Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel 2022 “for research on banks and financial crises”.

What do you think is most interesting about this year’s prize in economic sciences?

Was there something about it that surprised you?

Would society survive without banks? What would the consequences be?

The laureates emphasise the importance of governmental deposit insurance. That means that depositors receive compensation from the government if the bank where they keep their savings goes bankrupt. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of such a system.
