



ACCADEMIA NAZIONALE DEI LINCEI

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INTERNATIONAL PRIZE “MARIO BENAZZI E GIUSEPPINA BENAZZI LENTATI” FOR 2026

COMPETITION NOTICE

Art. 1 (Nature of the Prize)

The Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei announces a competition for the “Mario Benazzi and Giuseppina Benazzi Lentati” International Prize, in the amount of € 10,000 (*gross of taxes*), to be awarded to a scholar in Zoology with an evolutionary-organismic orientation.

Art. 2 (Eligibility)

Italian and foreign citizens who have not yet reached their thirty-fifth birthday (*date of birth must not be earlier than 1 January 1990*) are eligible to compete for the Prize. The prescribed requirements must be satisfied as of the deadline for the submission of the application for admission to the selection. The age limit shall be extended by one year for each child born or adopted prior to the deadline for the submission of applications.

Art. 3 (Terms and Conditions for Submission of Applications)

Applications must be submitted exclusively online, by completing the form available at <https://www.lincei.it/it/Bandi> **no later than 30 November 2025**.

Applications that are incomplete, irregular, or submitted using methods and/or within timeframes other than those set forth in this notice shall be deemed invalid.

No forms of submission or delivery of applications other than completing the above-mentioned online form shall be permitted.

Access to the procedure for completing the online application form shall be granted through the credentials issued during the registration process.

The application must be submitted **no later than 6 p.m. on 30 November 2025**. Should the deadline fall on an Italian public holiday, it shall be extended to 6 p.m. on the first subsequent working day.

Should the candidate complete the online form multiple times, only the last application submitted within the deadline shall be taken into consideration.

The date of submission of the application shall be certified by the electronic system. Upon expiry of the deadline, the system will no longer permit submission of applications but will only allow to view and print previously submitted applications.

In the application candidates must declare, under their own responsibility and pursuant to Presidential Decree of 28 December 2000, No. 445, as subsequently amended:

- 1a. Place of residence.
- 2a. Full address, including postal code, telephone number, and email address, to which all communications relating to the competition should be sent, with a commitment to promptly notify any subsequent changes.
- 3a. Awareness of the criminal penalties provided for under Article 76 of Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28 December 2000, in cases of falsification of documents and false declarations.
- 4a. Consent to the processing of personal data for the purposes and in the manner provided for by Legislative Decree No. 196 of 30 June 2003, as subsequently amended, and by EU Regulation No. 2016/679.

Candidates must attach the following documents (*exclusively in PDF format*) to their application:

- 1b. A copy of an identity document.
- 2b. A maximum of ten publications, with a corresponding list indicating the title of each work, the author, the year of publication, and any other relevant information deemed appropriate. The ten works (*publications*) must be attached individually in PDF format, respecting the file size limits allowed by the platform (*15 MB for each file*).
- 3b. Curriculum vitae et studiorum, in European format, dated and signed by the candidate.
- 4b. A list of all submitted documents (*as referred to in points 1b, 2b and 3b*), dated and signed by the candidate.

Failure to submit the documents referred to in points 1b), 2b) and 3b) of this article shall constitute grounds for exclusion from the selection procedure.

Any exclusion from the selection shall be communicated to the parties concerned by means of a reasoned decision.

Art. 4 **(Selection Committee)**

The selection Committee, appointed by the Presidential Council of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, shall be composed of three or five members selected from among the Fellows of the Academy. In addition to these, individuals external to the Academy may also be invited to serve as members of the Committee.

The Prize may not be awarded *ex aequo*.

The recommendation of the Committee regarding the awarding of the Prize shall be submitted for approval to the Class of Physical, Mathematical and Natural Sciences and, subsequently, for final approval to the Joint Classes of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei.

The Committee may also propose not to award the Prize.

Should the Prize not be awarded, it shall automatically be re-advertised for the following year.

Art. 5
(Outcome)

The outcome of the competition shall be published on the official website of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei (www.lincei.it).

Art. 6
(Awarding)

The Prize shall be formally awarded during the Opening Ceremony of the Academic Year 2026-2027, in November 2026.

Art. 7
(Processing of Personal Data)

The personal data of the candidates shall be processed by the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei exclusively for the purposes of managing the present procedure and any subsequent procedures relating to the awarding of the prize, in compliance with Legislative Decree No. 196 of 30 June 2003, as subsequently amended, and with EU Regulation No. 2016/679.

Art. 8
(Reference)

This notice and the online form for submitting applications to the selection procedure are available on the website of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei: <https://www.lincei.it/it/Bandi>.

For further information please contact: Prizes and Scholarships Office, Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, Via della Lungara 10, 00165 Rome, Phone: +39 06 68307831 – e-mail: ufficio.premi@lincei.it.

Rome, 1 September 2025

THE PRESIDENT
Roberto Antonelli