



ACCADEMIA NAZIONALE DEI LINCEI

VIA DELLA LUNGARA, 10 – 00165 ROMA

INTERNATIONAL PRIZE «ANNA MESCHINI PONTANI» FOR 2027

COMPETITION NOTICE

Art. 1 (Nature of the Prize and eligibility)

The Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, with the aim of providing effective support to young scholars, announces every two years an International Prize entitled “Anna Meschini Pontani”, amounting to €5,000 (gross of tax), for Greek Humanist Philology. The Prize is intended for Italian and foreign scholars who have not yet reached the age of thirty-five at the time of publication of the Call for Applications (their date of birth must not be earlier than 1 January 1991). Candidates must submit an unpublished work or must have, within the twenty-four months preceding the date of the Call for Applications, either published a work or defended their thesis (the date of publication of the work or of the thesis defence must not be earlier than 1 January 2024). The work or the thesis must concern any aspect of Greek Humanism of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, with particular, though not exclusive, reference to the Italian context.

Candidates must meet all requirements by the deadline for submitting applications. The age limit shall be extended by six months for each child born to or adopted by the candidate before the deadline.

Art. 2 (Admission Procedure)

Admission to the competition is by nomination by one or more Members of the Academy or by submission of an application.

In the absence of nominations and applications, the Commission shall have no authority to award the Prize.

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

Nominations, preferably accompanied by a brief profile of the candidate, a curriculum

vitae, a comprehensive supporting statement, and a list of publications, must be submitted by e-mail exclusively to: ufficio.premi@lincei.it **no later than 6:00 p.m. on 30 November 2026** (*the date of dispatch of the e-mail shall be deemed valid*).

Nominations sent to addresses other than the one indicated above, even if pertaining to the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, shall not be accepted.

Art. 4 **(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 2026**.

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 2026**.

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.

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

- 1b. A copy of an identity document.
- 2b. A copy of the unpublished or published work or of the defended thesis. The work or the thesis must be attached in PDF format, respecting the capacity limits allowed by the platform (*30 Mb*);

* Only in the event that the work or the thesis exceeds the file size limits permitted by the system, a link to the work or the thesis must be provided in a dedicated PDF file to be attached. The link, where the corresponding file (*PDF format only*) is to be uploaded, may be created using cloud service platforms (*e.g., OneDrive, Google Drive, etc.*) and must not include expiration limits or password protection (*it is recommended to verify the link's accessibility in advance before attaching the PDF file containing it*).

NOTE: If the link is inactive or inaccessible, the application will not be accepted.

- 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.

To allow the attached files to open correctly, the candidate must save each file in PDF format using short names (*Example: 1b_Surname.pdf; 2b_Surname.pdf; etc.*).

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

Art. 5 **(Selection Committee)**

The Prize Committee shall comprise three members, two of whom shall be Members of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei appointed by the Class of Moral, Historical and Philological Sciences of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, and one designated by the Pontani family.

The Prize may not be awarded *ex aequo*.

Members submitting nominations may not serve on the selection Committee.

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

Members of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei are not eligible to receive the Prize.

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. 6 **(Outcome)**

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

Art. 7 **(Awarding)**

The Prize shall be formally awarded during the Opening Ceremony of the Academic Year 2027-2028, in November 2027.

Art. 8
(Processing of Personal Data)

Personal data will be processed by the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei in accordance with applicable legislation, as described in the privacy notice available on the [Lincei website](#).

Art. 9
(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, 7 September 2026.

THE PRESIDENT
Roberto Antonelli