



Ambasciata d'Italia in Germania

“Italian Bilateral Scientific Cooperation Award”

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) instituted the *“Italian Bilateral Scientific Cooperation Award”* to recognize an Italian experienced scientist who contributed significantly to the advancement of science and technology, performing research abroad, and thus improving Italy’s S&T relations with foreign countries and International Organizations.

The award will be presented during the Italian Scientific Attachés Conference to be held in Rome in March 2022. The award consists of an engraved medal and a diploma of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

Eligibility

- The *“Italian Bilateral Scientific Cooperation Award”* is assigned to an Italian scientist for his/her outstanding contribution to the advancement of bilateral scientific cooperation in any field of science and technology, through their activity in Germany.
- The nominee should be a resident of the country where he/she is nominated since at least January 1st 2018.
- The nomination should be submitted by a leading scientist from a Scientific Academy, University, Research Institute or S&T Department of the Government of the Country where the nominee is working. All fields of science and technology are eligible.
- The nominee should be an established scientist with an excellent academic and/or scientific career and a recognized research track record. He/She should have published in high impact journals and/or hold international patents in collaboration with scientists from the relevant country. Scientists of multilateral organizations hosted in Germany are also eligible.
- At the time of publication of this notice, the nominee shall have at least 10 years of Ph.D. seniority (i.e. from graduation).
- Age limit: 65, at the time of publication of this notice.

The award will be assigned without any gender, race or religious restrictions.

Evaluation Criteria and Mode of Selection

Nominees will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- The scientific impact of the nominee's work and research
- Relevance of the nominee's work to Italy's bilateral S&T cooperation with Germany
- Potential for significant, long-term collaboration
- Promotion of young researchers' mobility (incoming/outgoing) to foster the creation of bilateral research teams
- Nominee's contribution to creative/innovative collaboration models
- Nominee's capacity to keep contacts with the Italian research community.

The Award Committee, chaired by the Head of Office IX of the Directorate General for Cultural and Economic Promotion and Innovation of MAECI, will be composed by the Presidents and Representatives of major Italian Research and Academic Institutions. The Committee will select the winner of the Award by the end of February 2022

The *Italian Bilateral Cooperation Award* will be presented next March 2022 during a Ceremony to be held in Rome at MAECI during the Conference of Italian Scientific Attachés at the presence of the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

How to Apply

Nominations should be submitted returning the enclosed form and other documents as specified below to the Italian Embassy, berlino.scienza@esteri.it, by **03 January 2022**.

Nomination Form

Nominee

Name:

Institution:

Present Position:

Postal address:

Email address:

Nominator

Name:

Institution:

Present Position:

Postal address:

Email address:

Please return the form to the Italian Embassy, berlino.scienza@esteri.it , by 03 January 2022 along with the following attachments in a single pdf file (size < 4Mb) :

1. Short motivation for awarding this prize (max 100 words) signed by the “nominator”.
2. Nominee’s major scientific achievements (max 1 page).
3. Nominee’s short CV (maximum 2 pages) according to the applicable law in data protection.
4. List of Nominee’s most important publications (max 1 page).
5. Nominee’s activities with the Italian scientific community (max 1 page)
- 6. Reference letters (optional, max 2, max 1 page each) by scientists other than the nominator.**

All information provided will be treated according to the Italian Law (Legge 196/2003 and Regolamento UE 2016/679)