

Biennial prize "Giovanni Canestrini"
II Edition – year 2015

Call for Applications

Art. 1

The municipality of Padova and the Municipality of Revò (Trento), jointly with the Italy-Austria association from Trento and Rovereto, and with the scientific support from the Universities of Padova and Trento, as well as in collaboration with private supporters from the entrepreneurial world, wish to thoroughly investigate the work and scientific and human figure of the scientist GIOVANNI CANESTRINI (born in Revò on December 26th, 1835; died in Padova on February 14th, 1900). Thus, they

announce

the 2nd edition of the biennial competition for a prize to be awarded to a PhD dissertation centred on the personality of the scientist from Revò and the fields of investigation which he has promoted.

Art. 2

The competition is open to all the students from the Universities present in the European Union countries, who have completed their *curricula studiorum* by discussing a PhD dissertation in Italian, German or English, specifically on the subjects indicated in the subsequent Art. 3.

The competition is reserved for those students who have achieved the PhD diploma during the academic years 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015. The date of achievement must be prior to the deadline for the presentation of the application, namely September 30, 2015, h 12.00.

The participant who is classed first will receive a prize of Euro 2,000, and the participant who is classed second will receive a prize of Euro 1,000.

Art. 3

As a requirement, the dissertations must have investigated one or more areas related to the following topics:

- life and scientific activities of Giovanni Canestrini
- evolutionary biology
- systematic zoology
- biotechnologies for environment
- protection and promotion of biodiversity

Art. 4

The dissertations will be evaluated by a Committee, which is appointed by the Municipalities of Padova and Revò and will include 5 scientists with a consolidated expertise in the subjects mentioned in art. 3. The decision of the committee cannot be appealed.

The committee will define the criteria for the evaluation of the dissertations, examine the documents submitted, select the winners, and decide on any possible question inherent to the present call.

The candidates who wish to apply for the prize should send the following documents to the address

Comune di Padova

Settore Cultura, Turismo, Musei e Biblioteche

Via Porciglia 35

35121 Padova (Italia)

no later than September 30, 2015, at h 12.00

- application for participating in the competition to be written on unstamped paper indicating the personal data, the home and mail address, the title of their research doctorate and the name of the dissertation advisor, as outlined in the attachment No. 1 to the present call;

- self-certification of the achievement of a PhD diploma;

- two paper copies and one copy in PDF format (in a USB pen drive) of the PhD dissertation;

- a photocopy of a valid identity document (this is necessary for the self-certification).

Art. 5

All the participants will be informed in good time about the outcome of the competition.

The prize will be delivered to the winners in Padova in the Auditorium of the Altinate/San Gaetano Cultural Centre during a special ceremony aimed at advertising the results of the competition. The winners will be asked to give a synthetic presentation of their work.

A second ceremony devoted to the presentation of the work and personality of Giovanni Canestrini will be held in Revò at the Casa Campia.

Both initiatives will be jointly organized by the two Municipalities and will be open to the whole body of citizens.

Art. 6

The Municipalities of Padova and Revò reserve the right to take care of publishing at least a resumé of the dissertations produced by the various candidates, subject to their agreement. All the dissertations will remain a property of the two municipalities and will be kept in the municipal libraries of both Padova and Revò in order to allow their consultation by scholars or other interested people.

For any additional information please refer to:

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Note: the call and related attachment can be consulted and downloaded from the site of the Padova Municipality

www.padovanet.it