



“Italy Made Me 2020” Awards

Open for Applications

The Italian Embassy in London invites early-career Italian researchers across the United Kingdom to submit applications for its annual research award programme “*Italy Made Me*” (2020 Edition).

The awards will be presented to Italian researchers operating in the United Kingdom, who received part of their education in Italy, in recognition of innovative research conducted in each of the three *European Research Council* (ERC) domains:

- Life Sciences (LS)
- Physical and Engineering Sciences (PE)
- Social Sciences and Humanities (SH)

The Italian Embassy in London coordinates this initiative in collaboration with the “*Association of Italian Scientists in the United Kingdom*” (AISUK), and the support of other organisations and institutions in Italy and the UK.

The awards will be presented in the presence of the Italian Ambassador to the UK Raffaele Trombetta in Summer 2020.

Admission Criteria

Candidates must:

- Possess a valid Italian passport or identity card.
- Have obtained a secondary education diploma and/or a degree in Italy¹.
- Have defended their PhD thesis within the last 3 years, *or* be current PhD students, *or* have obtained their *laurea* or equivalent degree no more than 5 years before 31/12/2019².
- Be a registered member of an academic or cultural association of Italians in the UK³.

Submission Procedure

Candidates must send a description of the research they have conducted within an academic institution in the United Kingdom, along with a signed copy of the attached declaration signed by both the candidate and their supervisor (PI) that attests that the results presented for the award are the result of work conducted mainly by the sole candidate. In the event of researches conducted in more than one country, only the activities that took place in the UK will be evaluated. The application form can be filled up both in Italian or English.

All applications must be submitted in PDF format to the following email address: Italymademe@ambitaliascienza.london

The deadline for applications is 15/03/2020, by midnight.

We recommend that prospective candidates read and adhere to the instructions contained in this document to ensure their application's acceptance. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted nor considered.

¹ Please provide grades obtained in the application form.

² In case of absence for maternity or paternity leave, ERC starting grants rules will be applied. See pag 17 for further details, https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/wp/2018-2020/erc/h2020-wp20-erc_en.pdf

³ Please provide name and website/e-mail address of the Association in the application form.

Award Process

The evaluation of the applications will be coordinated by the Italian Embassy in London in partnership with AISUK, with the collaboration of members of the Scientific Board of the Embassy and the help of external experts, if necessary.

Recipients of the awards will be selected primarily on the basis of the quality and significance of the research presented. Other criteria, such as publications or other awards that candidates may have received in their career, will also be taken into consideration. Applications will be assessed within the context of their own ERC domain, and will be reviewed independently by at least three reviewers. The final winners will be selected as joint decision by all the Members.

The selected candidates will receive a certificate by the Ambassador during a formal ceremony at the Italian Embassy in London. Their names will be published on the Embassy's website.



Italy Made Me 2020 – Submission Form

CANDIDATE NAME:

Disciplinary field (Tick appropriate box):

- Life Sciences
- Physical and Engineering Sciences
- Social Sciences and Humanities

Membership (specify Italian academic/cultural association name):

Research Title:

Supervisor and name of the British Institution in which the research took place:

A. CURRICULUM VITAE

Candidate name _____

E-mail _____

Telephone _____

Address _____

Current position of the Candidate:

Name and address of the Institution to which the Candidate belongs:

Awards, honours and/or grants conferred:

Relevant academic/research publications (5 max):

EDUCATION

DIPLOMA DI MATURITA⁴ (or equivalent degree) IN

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Name and place of the Institute

Final Grade / 100

DEGREE⁵ IN

Graduation date:

University.....

Dissertation title:.....

Final Grade /

PhD/DOCTORATE⁶ IN.....

Graduation date:.....

University

Dissertation title:

Final Grade /

Candidate signature:

Date:

⁴ Please specify main subjects covered.

⁵ Please indicate the period of time; Bachelor's or Master's Degree etc.

⁶ Please indicate period of time of the PhD.

B. RESEARCH PROJECT PRESENTATION

Please complete the following sections accordingly:

1. "State of the Art" - Statement on the status of the research field. **(Max 1000 characters including spaces)**
2. Statement on the research results. **(Max 2500 characters including spaces)**
3. Statement on the impact of the research and its implications for the state of research in its field. **(Max 1500 characters including spaces)**

Please note that exceeding the characters limit will result in loss of evaluation for those parts.

C. DECLARATION

To be attached on headed paper from the candidate's Institution.

In reference to the attached application for the award programme "Italy Made Me", I confirm that the work presented here was primarily conducted by the candidate, and were obtained at the listed institution:

Institution where the research was conducted:

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| <i>Candidate Name and Surname (in capital letters):</i> | <i>Candidate signature:</i> |
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| <i>Supervisor Name and Surname (in capital letters)</i> | <i>Supervisor signature:</i> |
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Date and place: