



NOTICE

Contest for the Awarding of the “2018 Giovanni Riggi di Numana Prize” For Doctorial Dissertation



Applications deadline: 31 August 2018, 12-noon

1 – AIM OF THE CONTEST

It is hereby announced that a selection for the awarding of one (1) Doctorate Prize totaling €3,000.00 (inclusive of required taxes) will be held among Italian citizens who have earned a doctorate or a master degree from a fully accredited, governmental or private Italian University, or from a fully accredited European University; telematic Universities are also included. Qualified candidates must have the prerequisites described in Section 2.

2 – REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

To qualify for the above-captioned prize candidates submitting applications must have presented a doctoral dissertation or thesis, or master degree dissertation, during the academic years 2015-2016, 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 (in any event no later than 31 July 2018). The thesis or dissertation must be in one of the following languages: Italian, English, German and French, and must focus on one of the following subjects:

- History of Writing;
- Epistolary communications;
- History of the evolution of means of mail transportation.

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Furthermore, to avoid being disqualified candidates must have the following prerequisites:

- Degree close to completion or completed;
- Votes of the various exams must average above 25/30;
- Final graduation vote must be above 90/110
- Applicants must be 30 years of age or younger.

Candidates for the Giovanni Riggi di Numana Prize must not have been sentenced to criminal conviction.

Further details and clarifications about the content of this Notice can be obtained by e-mailing segreteria@cifo.eu or by mail to: CIFO Associazione dei Collezionisti di Francobolli Ordinari, Via Cesare Pascarella 5, I-20157 Milano – MI (Italy) Telephone: +39 3398408189.

3 – APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR PRESENTATION OF APPLICATION

Application must be made utilizing solely the attached form which can be conveyed using one of the following modalities:

- By personal hand delivery (Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm local time) to Chambers, Attorney-at-law Giorgio Khouzam, via XXII Marzo n. 5, I – 20100 Milano-MI (Italy);
- By registered mail with A.R. (Acknowledgement of Receipt) to: CIFO Associazione dei Collezionisti di Francobolli Ordinari, c/o Dr. Claudio Manzati, Via Cesare Pascarella 5, I-20157 Milano-MI (Italy)
- By e-mail to segreteria@cifo.eu indicating as Subject 2018 “GIOVANNI RIGGI DI NUMANA” PRIZE FOR DOCTORAL DISSERTATION
- If hand delivered or sent by registered mail, the application form must be conveyed in a sealed envelope showing a clear caption reading 2018 “GIOVANNI RIGGI DI NUMANA” PRIZE FOR DOCTORAL DISSERTATION .

The application form is valid only when accompanied by the following documents:

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1. Photocopy of both sides of a VALID identity card or main page with bar-code & photo of a VALID passport issued to the applicant.
2. One (1) copy in PDF format of the thesis dissertation and related Abstract.
3. Self-certification relating to your Degree close to completion or completed.
4. Self-certification confirming that the Votes of the various exams average above 25/30.
5. Self-Certification of the final graduation Vote.
6. Curriculum vitae.

NB: The Selection Board reserves the right to verify the accuracy of self-certification information sent by the applicant.

Application deadline: 31 August 2018, 12-noon; applications delivered later will be deemed invalid.

The signed application form implies full acceptance of all terms, regulations, requirements and conditions outlined in this Notice.

4 – SELECTION BOARD

The thesis or dissertation will be examined by a scientific Selection Board (from here on “the Board”) consisting of academics, exponents of institutions and scholars of the relevant areas of research. The Board will go through the selection process and will submit the name of the most deserving candidate to receive the “2018 GIOVANNI RIGGI DI NUMANA” PRIZE FOR DOCTORAL DISSERTATION. The Selection Board will bestow the Prize based on the best elaboration of the following components:

- Originality of the research;
- Temporal and/or geographic scope of the work;
- Wealth of references and bibliographic research;
- Methodology and aesthetics of the elaboration.

The Chairman of the Selection Board will be Attorney at law Giorgio Khouzam; the Board’s Secretary will be Dr. Claudio E. M. Manzati.

The aim of the Board is to reward a researcher who has been able to shed light on the nature of organized communication in its ample range spanning from epistolography to corporate history and from philately to postal geography, as well as linguistics and sociology.

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The thesis may include research on all fields involved into such a topic: from the strictly technical aspects to the legal, literary, historic and social implications. Additional in-depth research may include the recent technological progress. The Renaissance postal developments in Italy and the particular relevance of the new technology of communications in real time exported to most developed countries together with the term “posta”.

The prize is awarded at the incontestable discretion of the Selection Board.

In the event of a tie, preference will be given to the candidate that will have in the following order of importance:

- The highest final Graduation vote.
- The highest average of the Votes of the various exams.
- The youngest age.

In the event that, at its incontestable discretion, the Board could come to the conclusion, that none of the theses are deserving the awarding of the prize, or in the event of renouncement on the part of the winner, or in the event of unsuccessful award, the amount of the unpaid prize will go towards: the successive prize in 2019 or, if the annual prize is discontinued, to other initiatives aimed at promoting research and study of Philately and Postal History.

The winner of the prize will be notified by e-mail, as per electronic address given in the application form; within five (5) days from the date of the e-mail sent by the Board the winner must clearly indicate whether he accepts or renounces the prize.

5 – PRESENTATION OF THE PRIZE

The prize will be presented to the winner in the form of a cheque payable to him/her in the amount of €3,000.00 (threethousand Euros nocents) sometime in October 2018 at the Council Hall of the Municipality of Pecetto Torinese (near Turin), at the presence of the Mayor, Pecetto’s Council Member for Culture, and members of the family of the late Giovanni Riggi di Numana.

If the winner will not attend personally the award ceremony at Pecetto Torinese at the prescribed date and time, this will be deemed as forfeiture and the unpaid amount will go towards the next annual prize in 2019 or, if there will be no prize in 2019, the amount will be allocated to other initiatives promoting the study and research of Philately and Postal History.

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6 – SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The presentation of an application form on the part of the candidate implicitly authorizes the publication, use, and dissemination without any compensation whatsoever of the integral text of the winning entry (thesis) in its totality or in part on the website www.cifo.eu, on the monthly “Il Francobollo Incatenato”, journal of the Society “Collezionisti di Francobolli Ordinari” (CIFO) or publication on any other philatelic or postal history periodical at the incontestable discretion of CIFO and of the Giorgio Khouzam Foundation.

The application forms without signature of the applicant, or not fully completed in every section, or presented without one or more required documents, makes them invalid and therefore excluded from the selection process.

7 – PERSONAL DATA TREATMENT

The treatment of personal data is in accordance with the provisions of the Legislative Decree no. 196 issued on 30 June 2003 with later amendments “Codice in materia di protezione dei dati personali”.

Dr. Claudio Ernesto Manzati
CIFO’s President

Lawyer Giorgio Khouzam
Giorgio Khouzam Foundation

Pecetto Torinese, 1st October 2017

Milan, 1st October 2017



Museo dei Tasso e
della storia postale

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