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Young Investigator Awards 2024 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

ISSNAF annually awards the Young Investigator Awards in various disciplines to outstanding, early-career Italian researchers working in the United States or Canada, in recognition of their significant and innovative contributions to their field of research.

ISSNAF is very pleased to announce the Young Investigator Awards of 2024 and is grateful to their sponsors for their generosity.

We welcome applications to the following Awards:

EMBASSY OF ITALY AWARD FOR RESEARCH IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Established in 2020, this year's edition recognizes Italian researchers in the USA providing fundamental contributions to all aspects of artificial intelligence, including technological and engineering advancements, transformative applications across disciplines, education, economic impact, ethical development to support societal needs, and solutions to mitigate harmful use of AI.

FRANCO STRAZZABOSCO AWARD FOR RESEARCH IN ENGINEERING WITH FOCUS ON SUSTAINABLE ENERGY

Established in 2013 by the Strazzabosco family in memory of Dott. Ing. Franco Strazzabosco, this award is a tribute to the entrepreneurial courage of Italian engineers who strive to apply scientific discoveries to the public advantage.

INFN BRUNO TOUSCHEK AWARD FOR RESEARCH IN FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS

Established in 2022 by Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare, this award honors the memory of Prof. Bruno Touschek for his pioneering work in the fields of elementary particle physics and particle accelerators. It recognizes contributions in the fields of fundamental interactions of matter, such as elementary particle physics, nuclear physics, cosmology and the physics of particle beams.

MARIO GERLA AWARD FOR RESEARCH IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Established by the Gerla family in 2019, this award is in memory of Dr. Mario Gerla, pioneer in computer networking, professor of Computer Science at UCLA

and ISSNAF founding member.

PAOLA CAMPESE AWARD FOR RESEARCH IN HEMATOLOGIC MALIGNANCIES

Established by Stefania and Vito Campese in 2011, this award is in memory of their young, talented and generous daughter Paola.

RnB4CULTURE AWARD FOR INNOVATION IN THE STUDY OF ITALIAN CULTURE

Established in 2021 by RnB4Culture, this award recognizes the vibrancy of research in Italian culture and its evolving nature expressed in a variety of ways such as innovative uses of technology, or originality of approach, or contribution to wider questions and trends in the Humanities at large.

PRIZES

- Winners receive a prize of \$3,000.
- Winners and Finalists are invited to attend the ISSNAF Annual Event 2024 at the Embassy of Italy in Washington and receive a travel and lodging award.
- Winners and Finalists receive public recognition of their accomplishments via the ISSNAF social media.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Italian citizenship
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2. Current affiliation with a research institution in the United States or Canada, with the exception that applicants for the Embassy of Italy Award must work in the USA;
3. PhD received or Medical/Veterinary Residency completed in 2017 or later.

ISSNAF reserves the right to exclude any applicants not meeting standards of good scholarship and integrity.

PROCESS

Applications are evaluated considering the applicant's curriculum, the quality and impact of their research, their personal contributions to the research, and two letters of reference. Three Finalists are named for each of the Awards.

The Finalists present their research to the distinguished Award Jury at the virtual Young ISSNAF Symposia to be held between October 28 and November 1, 2024.

The Jury names the Award Winner. The Symposia are open to the public.

The Winners are announced and receive their award at the ISSNAF Annual Event on November 14, 2024

TIMELINE

- **June 1, 2024**
Application call is open
 - **August 4, 2024**
Application call is closed
 - **August 4, 2024**
Letters of reference are due
 - **August 21, 2024**
Applicants are notified whether their application has been accepted
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- **October 4, 2024**
Applicants are notified whether they have been named Finalists
- **Oct 28 - Nov 1, 2024**
Finalists present their research at the Young Investigator Simposia
- **November 14, 2024**
Winners receive their Award at the ISSNAF Annual Event

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit the [ISSNAF Young Investigator Awards 2024 Application Form](#) by August 4.

For more information: <https://www.issnaf.org/call-for-applications-yi-2024>
For questions, please contact awards@issnaf.org



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