



Embassy of Italy
Copenhagen



Best young Italian Researcher in Denmark 2020

BIRD Award 2020

III edition

Call for Applications

[Deadline: May 10th, 2020 at 6 pm.](#)

The *Italian Embassy in Copenhagen* invites young Italian researchers across Denmark to submit applications for its annual research award programme “*BIRD Award 2020*”, III edition.

The awards will be presented to Italian researchers operating in Denmark who received part of their education in Italy, in recognition of innovative research conducted in each of the three *European Research Council (ERC)* domains (see [ERC Panel Structure 2019](#)):

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

This initiative is coordinated by the *Italian Embassy* and the *Italian Institute of Culture in Copenhagen*. The awards will be presented during a ceremony at the *Italian Institute of Culture in Denmark* on the *Italian National Day*, in **June 2020**. Winners will be notified by email at least 10 days in advance. Candidates who do not win will be notified as well by email.

Admission Criteria

Candidates must:

- Possess a valid Italian passport or identity card.
- Hold academic degree(s).
- Have obtained the “*maturità*” or “*laurea*” in Italy.
- Be no older than 35 by the application deadline (born after 10.05.1985).

Submission Procedure

Candidates must send a description of the research they have conducted within an academic institution in Denmark, along with a signed copy of the attached declaration from both the candidate and their supervisor (PI) attesting that the results presented for the award were obtained by work conducted mainly by the candidate.

All applications must be submitted in PDF format to the email address info.iicopenaghen@esteri.it indicating the subject:

BIRD Award 2020 – Application.

Applicants will receive shortly after an email acknowledging their application has been received. We recommend that prospective candidates read and adhere to the instructions contained in this document to ensure their application’s acceptance. The deadline for applications is **by 6 pm on May 10th, 2020.**

Award Process

The evaluation process for applications will be coordinated by the Award Committee of the Italian Embassy which will judge the quality and significance of the research presented. Applications will be assessed within the context of their own ERC domain and a winner will be selected in each of the three ERC domains. The winners will receive an official certificate at a formal ceremony in Copenhagen, as well as have their name published on the Embassy and Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs’ websites and social media. Winners will also have the opportunity to present their research in a dedicated event at the Italian Institute of Culture in 2020.

The Italian Embassy's Award Committee

- *H.E. Luigi Ferrari, Italian Ambassador to Denmark - President*
- *Counsellor Stefano Salmaso, Deputy Head of Mission, Italian Embassy in Denmark*
- *Dr. Raffaello Barbieri, Director of the Italian Institute of Culture in Copenhagen*
- *Prof. Leonardo De Chiffre, Technical University of Denmark*
- *Assoc. Prof. Enrico Cappellini, University of Copenhagen*
- *Prof. Gert Sørensen, University of Copenhagen*
- *Dr. Marco Donia, II BIRD Winner in Life Sciences (LS)*
- *Dr. Francesco Da Ros, II BIRD Winner in Physical and Engineering Sciences (PE)*
- *Dr. Andrea Baldin, II BIRD Winner in Social Sciences and Humanities (SH)*

The Award Committee might be assisted in the evaluation by ad hoc External Reviewers.

BIRD 2020 – Application Form

Applicant name:

Applicant date of birth:

Contact Details

Telephone:

Postal Address:

E-mail:

Research domain (Tick appropriate box):

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

Research Title:

Institution in which research was conducted:

Please further attach (in English):

1. “State of the Art” - Statement on the status of the research field. **(Max 1000 characters including spaces)**
2. Statement of 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)**
4. A signed copy of the attached declaration (See Attachment 1)
5. A brief Curriculum Vitae (See Attachment 2)

**Attachment 1
Declaration**

With reference to the attached application for the BIRD Award 2020, I confirm that the results presented here are the result of work principally conducted by the applicant, and were obtained at the listed institution.

Institution where the research was conducted:

Date:

Applicant signature:

Supervisor signature:

Full name (Printed):

Full name (Printed):

**Attachment 2
Curriculum Vitae**

Applicant name:

Education

Bachelor's Degree in *(fill only Master's degree category below in case of Single Cycle degree):*

Thesis title:

Institution:

Master's Degree in:

Thesis title:

Institution:

PhD/Doctorate:

Thesis title:

Institution:

Current Position:

Name and address of contact institution:

Awards and acknowledgments:

List of Publications (Max 5):

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Place and Date:

Full name (Printed):