

Prize

Signs of the Lagoon: The Imprint of Cultural Foundations in Venice. Heritage, Work, and Housing

Art. 1 – Purpose of this Call for Applications

The Istituto Veneto di Scienze, Lettere ed Arti, the Fondazione Querini Stampalia, and the Ateneo Veneto ETS, hereby announce a **prize of €4,500.00** (four thousand five hundred) with the aim of incentivizing a qualitative and quantitative study on the impact of Venice's cultural foundations on the city's productive activities.

Specifically, the study should build upon the findings of a previous research promoted in the same field of investigation by the Istituto Veneto di Scienze, Lettere ed Arti and the Fondazione Querini Stampalia (an excerpt of which is attached). Through the preparation, administration, and analysis of a questionnaire and interviews with selected key stakeholders, the study must analyze the following aspects:

- types of professional figures currently present and emerging new professional role;
- employment status and contractual stability;
- residency (how many people live in Venice, how many would like to live there);
- perceptions of the foundation's role both within the local community and in terms of career development;
- links to cultural production and collaborative networks.

Furthermore, some case studies must be conducted to explore virtuous or uniquely significant models among the local cultural foundations.

Art. 2 – Eligibility criteria

Scholars of any nationality who are under 35 years of age on the closing date of this announcement (for applicants who are mothers, one year is subtracted from their current age for each child) may compete for the Prize.

Art. 3 – Application procedure and deadlines

Applications for the Prize must be submitted exclusively online by **11 May 2026** by completing the online form: <https://forms.gle/ttSejdrQj1PEFQDf7>.

The application form must be completed in full and submitted together with the following documents in PDF format:

- a) detailed description of the research project that the candidate intends to submit to the judging committee;
- b) *curriculum vitae et studiorum* in European format dated and signed by the candidate;
- c) any publications relevant to the project topic, produced by the candidate;
- d) consent to the processing of personal data in accordance with current legislation, as per Art. 5 below.

Female candidates wishing to apply the age limit exceptions for maternity must enclose their child/children's birth certificate/s to their CV. Self-certifications will be accepted, provided they are drawn up in accordance with the law, dated and signed.

Partial applications, applications that have not been duly compiled or that were not submitted according to the requirements and deadlines specified in this call for applications, will be discarded.

The Prize winner undertakes to complete the study **within 10 months** of the award date.

Art. 4– Awarding procedure

Applications will be evaluated by a dedicated committee appointed jointly by the proposing institutions and its decision is final.

The recipient of the award will be notified in writing by e-mail, to the address stated in the application form.

The Prize will be presented to the winner during the formal closing ceremony of the 2025-2026 Academic Year of the Istituto Veneto di Scienze, Lettere ed Arti.

By accepting the Prize, the winner undertakes to carry out his/her work in accordance with and in continuity with what has already been achieved previously, as well as to communicate the results and coordinate his/her activity with any research projects in the same field that the proposing institutions may have underway.

Art. 5 – Processing of personal data

The applicants' personal data will be processed for the sole purpose of managing and awarding the current Prize, in compliance with Law Decree No. 196 of 30 June 2003 and subsequent amendments and EU Regulation No. 2016/679. In order to apply for the Prize, candidates are required to read, fill in, sign (both sections of the last page) and send the privacy policy document attached to this call.

Art. 6 – General information

This call for applications has been published on the institutional website of Istituto Veneto di Scienze, Lettere ed Arti (www.istitutoveneto.it), of the Fondazione Querini Stampalia (www.querinistampalia.org) and the Ateneo Veneto (www.ateneoveneto.org).

Any further information can be requested by writing an e-mail to premicorsori@istitutoveneto.it, stating in the subject line: «Request for information “Signs of the Lagoon” Prize».

Venezia, 31 marzo 2026

Andrea Rinaldo, Presidente
Istituto Veneto di Scienze, Lettere ed Arti

Paolo Molesini, Presidente
Fondazione Querini Stampalia

Antonella Magaraggia, Presidente
Ateneo Veneto ETS

Sentieri Invisibili

Mappare l'impatto delle fondazioni culturali in laguna

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La ricerca ha permesso l'iniziale perimetrazione e mappatura delle fondazioni culturali attive all'interno dell'ecosistema veneziano, inevitabile punto di partenza per successivi sforzi di misurazione a livello sistemico. La definizione dei criteri ha visto la selezione di due linee guida fondamentali: la forma giuridica, limitata allo status di "fondazione", e la collocazione geografica, limitando la ricerca al centro storico della città, isole incluse. Si è così giunti all'individuazione di 54 realtà.

Per ognuna di queste, tramite una ricerca desk, sono state raccolte informazioni su: anno di nascita dell'organizzazione, e/o di trasformazione in "fondazione"; anno di insediamento nel centro storico della città; natura pubblica, privata, o pubblico-privata dell'organizzazione; struttura e localizzazione della governance; dimensione (stimata) dell'organizzazione; sottosectore di attività. Si è provveduto, inoltre, alla stesura di un protocollo di ricerca qualitativo, adattabile sia come questionario per l'intero campione, che a interviste personalizzate, volto a comprendere: livello di priorità percepito dalle singole fondazioni, stato dell'arte in termini di pratiche concrete, potenziali obiettivi in termini di lavoro, competenze, e dialogo con la comunità. Tale protocollo è stato validato attraverso un primo campione di interviste pilota.

Da un'analisi dei dati raccolti emergono delle osservazioni significative per i successivi sviluppi della ricerca, tutte collegate alla grande varietà di esperienze e storie racchiuse nel campione, risultato centrale dell'indagine. Il primo aspetto riguarda l'evoluzione dei modelli di business e della geolocalizzazione delle fondazioni nel tempo, in quanto si evidenzia una recente predilezione per la formula delle residenze artistiche, e una localizzazione in quartieri ancora prettamente residenziali della città, ad oggi relativamente disinteressati dai flussi turistici. Futuri sviluppi della ricerca potrebbero dunque investigare le conseguenze di questo trend emergente. La seconda considerazione riguarda invece le dimensioni delle organizzazioni analizzate, data la presenza di molte realtà di dimensioni estremamente ridotte in termini di organico. Futuri tentativi di implementare un sistema di misurazione condiviso dovranno dunque tenere conto di tali limiti strutturali. A queste considerazioni si aggiungono, infine, le differenze relative alla forma e alla dislocazione della governance, in quanto la mappatura evidenzia la presenza di organizzazioni "autoctone" e limitate all'area veneziana, con una governance fisicamente presente sul territorio, in parallelo con istituzioni nazionali e internazionali, con una governance centrale collocata al di fuori del perimetro di studio ed una sede distaccata nell'area lagunare. Futuri sviluppi della ricerca potrebbero indagare le possibili conseguenze in termini di dialogo con la comunità, e i risultanti obiettivi d'impatto.

PRIVACY POLICY

pursuant to Art. 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 of 27/04/2016 (GDPR)

Pursuant to art. 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 of 27/04/2016, hereinafter referred to as GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation), **ISTITUTO VENETO DI SCIENZE, LETTERE ED ARTI**, as **Data Controller**, informs you of the following:

1. DATA CONTROLLER

Controller is **ISTITUTO VENETO DI SCIENZE, LETTERE ED ARTI** with registered office in San Marco 2945, Venice- 30124, fiscal code 00452770274 e VAT no. 02728810272, in person of its legal representative *pro tempore*, PEC: ivsla@pec.istitutoveneto.it, e-mail: privacy@istitutoveneto.it

2. PURPOSES AND LEGAL BASIS OF PROCESSING

Personal data you provide will be processed exclusively for the following purposes:

- a) to enable your participation in competitions and events organised by Veneto institute of sciences, letters and arts and to manage activities related to the competition/event;
- b) to enable the evaluation of your application (e.g. evaluation of personal details, educational qualifications, knowledge of foreign languages, previous professional experience, etc.);
- c) award prizes for the competitions referred to in point a).
- d) fulfil the obligations provided for by law, regulations, applicable legislation and other provisions issued by authorities invested with legal powers and by supervisory and control bodies;

The processing of personal data for the afore mentioned purposes does not require your express consent (Artt. 6.1.b and 6.1.c GDPR). However, the data provided to the Data Controller may also include '*special categories of personal data (sensitive data)*': this refers not only to data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, but also to genetic data, biometric data, data concerning health or sex life or sexual orientation of the person to whom the data refer. In this case, we ask for your explicit consent at the bottom of the privacy policy, which you may freely withdraw at any time, without prejudice to the lawfulness of the processing prior to the withdrawal.

3. CATEGORIES OF DATA

In pursuit of the aforementioned purposes, **common personal data** such as name, surname, date of birth, university of affiliation, date of graduation/doctorate, common personal data (identification data) contained in the *Curriculum Vitae*, as well as bank details (bank account information) will be processed. Special categories of data that may be present in the CV you submitted may also be processed, subject to your prior consent.

4. COMPULSORY OR OPTIONAL NATURE OF THE SUBMISSION OF DATA AND CONSEQUENCES OF A REFUSAL TO PROVIDE PERSONAL DATA

The provision of data is necessary for the purposes of participating in the competition/event and is intended to fulfil your specific request to submit your application for evaluation. Therefore, any refusal to provide such data, in whole or in part, would make it objectively impossible to participate in the competition/event.

5. METHODS OF PROCESSING

Data collection takes place by sending the documents and information (including CVs) required by the competition notice to the Data Controller via an online form on the organisation's website.

The processing of personal data is carried out by means of the operations indicated in art. 4 n. 2) GDPR, for the afore mentioned purposes, both on paper and electronic supports, by electronic means, in compliance with current legislation, in particular with regard to confidentiality and security matters, as well as in compliance with the principles of fairness, lawfulness, transparency and protection of your rights as data subjects.

The data processing is carried out directly by the organization of the Data Controller, by its Data Processors and/or persons in charge of the processing.

6. COMMUNICATION AND DISSEMINATION

Your data may be used by personnel of the Controller who have been assigned a specific role as persons in charge of processing and who have been given appropriate instructions

Your personal data may be communicated to the following categories of subjects, within the limits strictly relevant to the obligations, the tasks and the purposes set out above and in compliance with current legislation:

1. subjects to whom such communication must be delivered in order to fulfil or to demand the fulfillment of specific obligations provided for by laws, regulations and/or EU legislation;

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2. professionals or Companies acting as Data Processors or for administrative-accounting purposes (purposes related to the performance of internal organisational, administrative, financial and accounting activities);
 3. external physical and/or legal persons that provide services that are instrumental to the activities of the Data Controller for the purposes referred to in paragraph 1 (consultants, companies, institutions, professional firms, etc.).

These subjects will operate as Data Processors pursuant to Art. 28 GDPR.

Personal data will not be disseminated in any way, except where required by law, regulation or EU legislation.

7. DATA RETENTION

The personal data (including those contained in your CV) you provide will be stored for the duration of the competition/event and in any case for no longer than one year after the end of the competition, after which it will be deleted.

8. DATA TRANSFER

Personal data are stored on servers located within the European Union. Data Controller does not intend to transfer Data to countries or organizations outside the European Union/EEA. In any case, Data Controller assures as of now that the possible future non-EU transfer of data will take place in accordance with the applicable legal provisions, subject to the stipulation of the standard contractual clauses approved by the European Commission pursuant to Art. 46 GDPR or to countries that the European Commission has deemed to guarantee an adequate level of protection, in accordance with the provisions of Art. 44 et seq. GDPR. Any exceptions to the above will take place only in compliance with Art. 49 GDPR.

9. POTENTIAL AUTOMATED PROCESSING

No automated decision-making processes are used, including profiling activities referred to in Article 22, paragraphs 1 and 4 of European Regulation 679/2016.

10. RIGHTS OF THE DATA SUBJECT

In your capacity as data subject, you have rights set forth in art. 15 GDPR, and in particular:

1. to obtain confirmation of the existence of personal data concerning you, even if not yet registered, and their communication in an intelligible form;
2. to obtain the indication: **a)** of the origin of personal data; **b)** of the purposes and methods of the processing; **c)** the existence of an electronic decision-making process, including profiling, and of the logic applied, as well as of the importance and consequences envisaged for the interested party in case of processing carried out with the aid of electronic instruments; **d)** the contact details of the Controller and, where applicable, its representative, as well as the Data Processor; **e)** of the subjects or categories of subjects to whom the personal data may be communicated or who can learn about them as appointed representative in the territory of the State, as data processors or agents;
3. to obtain: **a)** updating, rectification or, when interested, integration of data; **b)** the cancellation, transformation into anonymous form or blocking of unlawful data processed, including data that retention is unnecessary for the purposes for which the data were collected or subsequently processed; **c)** the attestation that the operations referred to in letters a) and b) have been brought to the attention, also with regard to their content, of those to whom the data have been communicated, except in the case in which this fulfillment proves impossible or involve a use of means manifestly disproportionate to the protected right;
4. to object, in whole or in part a) for legitimate reasons, to the processing of personal data concerning you, even if pertinent to the purpose of the collection; b) to the processing of personal data concerning you for the purpose of sending advertising or direct sales material or for carrying out market research or commercial communication, through the use of automated calling systems without the intervention of an operator, by e-mail and/or by traditional marketing methods, by telephone and/or paper mail. Please note that the right of opposition of the data subject, set out in point b) above, for direct marketing purposes using automated methods extends to traditional methods and that, in any case, the data subject retains the right to exercise the right of opposition also only in part. Therefore, the data subject may decide to receive only communications using traditional methods or only automated communications or neither of the two types of communication. Where applicable, it also has the rights referred to in Articles 16-21 GDPR (right of rectification, right to cancellation ("right to be forgotten"), right to limitation of processing, right to data portability, right of opposition), as well as the right to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority (Data Protection Authority).

For the exercise of the rights referred to in Articles 15 to 22 of the GDPR or for questions or information regarding the processing of your data and the security measures adopted, you can send a request to the following address:

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11. REGULATORY REFERENCES

The full text of the EU Regulation and other relevant national legislation on personal data protection can be consulted on the Italian Data Protection Authority's website at the following link: www.garanteprivacy.it

12. CHANGES TO THIS DATA PROCESSING INFORMATION

Any substantial changes with reference to the processing methods will be communicated to the data subject, either directly or via the Controller's website.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE PRIVACY POLICY

The undersigned, identified below, **acknowledges having read and understood** the privacy policy pursuant to Article 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 of April 27, 2016.

Name and surname

Date

Signature

EXPRESSION OF CONSENT

The undersigned **gives consent** to the processing of special categories of personal data pursuant to Article 9 of the GDPR, which may be present in the Curriculum Vitae (CV), such as personal data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, as well as genetic data, biometric data intended to uniquely identify a natural person, and data concerning health, sex life, or sexual orientation:

I agree

I do not agree

Date

Signature.....