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Italian Research in Philanthropy Awards (IRPAs)

Four Research Project awards in the field of philanthropy Call for proposals

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The "Dipartimento di scienze economiche e finanziarie - G. Prato" of the University of Torino and the "Centro di ricerche sulla cooperazione e il nonprofit" of the Catholic University of Milan, with support from the "Centro di Documentazione sulle Fondazioni" of Torino,

**invites scholars to submit research proposals
in the field of philanthropic foundations.**

The awards aim to encourage and support specific research activity in the domain.

Four proposals will be selected and awarded a 4,000€ grant.

The awards are meant to support either theoretical or empirical research work (Italian, international or comparative) **in the following - as well as connected - fields:**

- Determinants of grant-making policy in the creation of foundations;
- Determinants of rules of investment in foundation endowments and their results;
- Determinants of "mission-related investments" and their results;
- Foundation governance and its impact on effectiveness and efficiency;
- The role of public authorities in the governance of Italian foundations of banking origin: patterns and effects;
- Institutional competitive advantages of foundations in addressing collective problems: reality or myth?;
- The role and efficiency of foundations in the provision of welfare services (hospitals, schools, nursing homes, ...);
- The role and efficiency of foundations in the cultural industry (museums, theatres, opera houses, ...).

The proposals will be selected - on the basis of their quality, originality and relevance - by an "Evaluation group" whose members are:

1. Helmut Anheier (Hertie School of Governance, Berlin and Centre for Social Investment, Heidelberg)
2. Gian Paolo Barbetta ("Catholic University", Milan)
3. Marco Demarie ("Centro di documentazione sulle fondazioni" and "Compagnia di San Paolo", Torino)
4. Maurizio Ferrera ("University of Milano" and "Fondazione Collegio Carlo Alberto", Torino)
5. Peter Frumkin (University of Texas at Austin, Austin)
6. Ida Linzalone ("Fondazione Vodafone Italia", Rome)
7. Gilberto Turati (Dipartimento di Scienze Economiche e Finanziarie "G. Prato", University of Torino).

The "Evaluation group" will consider - in particular - methodological accuracy, knowledge of relevant literature as well as the general structure of the research project. **Research projects must be sent to the "Evaluation Group" by September 1st, 2010 to the following e-mail address: cooperazione.ricerche@unicatt.it.**

The research proposals - written in English - must contain:

1. The research title
2. Name, surname and authors' affiliation
3. Up to four keywords
4. An extended research abstract (maximum length 5,000 characters) with the indication of:
 - a. Current knowledge of the research area under investigation
 - b. Research objectives
 - c. Methodology
 - d. Expected results.

By October 2010 the "Evaluation group" will choose the four winners and will award each author (or group of authors) a maximum grant of €4,000 for the development of their research projects. Grants will be paid in two installments: €1,000 when winners are announced and €3,000 at the end of the research work, whose conclusion will be certified by submission of the relevant research results in electronic format and their approval by the "Evaluation Group" which will be notified to the Authors.

Research projects are expected to be completed by May 2011 and results will be presented and discussed during the "Third workshop on foundations" that will take place in the summer of 2011 (or early in the fall of the same year) at the "Università di Torino". Deserving research results from projects that will not be awarded a grant will nonetheless have the opportunity to be presented and discussed during the "Third Workshop on foundations".

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