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Italian Research in Philanthropy Awards (IRPAs)

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

April 2012

The “Dipartimento di scienze economico-sociali e matematico-statistiche” of the University of Torino and the “Centro di ricerche sulla cooperazione e il nonprofit” of the Catholic University of Milano,

**invite research proposals
in the field of philanthropic foundations.**

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

The winning proposals (maximum four) will be awarded a 4,000€ grant each.

Both theoretical and empirical research projects will be eligible (Italian, international or comparative) **in the following - as well as connected - fields:**

- Analysis of large donations to foundations;
- The role of fiscal and regulatory policies in determining the creation of foundations;
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- Analysis of investment policies of foundations;
- Analysis of grant-making policies of foundations;
- Foundation governance and organization and their impact on effectiveness and efficiency;
- Role of foundations in the direct and indirect provision of welfare services (hospitals, schools, nursing homes, etc.);
- Role of foundations in the direct and indirect provision of cultural goods (museums, theatres, opera houses, etc.);
- Relationships between foundations and public authorities.

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 ("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. Steen Thomsen (Copenhagen Business School)
7. Gilberto Turati (Dipartimento di Scienze economico-sociali e matematico-statistiche, 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 9th, 2012 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 2012 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 and handed in by May 2013. Results will be presented and discussed during the "Fourth workshop on foundations" that will take place in the fall of 2013 at the "Università Cattolica di Milano".

Also non awarded authors will be invited to present deserving research results at the "Fourth Workshop on foundations".

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