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GIORGIO ROTA BEST PAPER AWARD FOR YOUNG RESEARCHERS



13th edition



CALL FOR PAPERS 2025

The **Centro Einaudi** with the support of **Fondazione CRT** launches the 13th annual GIORGIO ROTA Best Paper Award, established to honour the memory of Giorgio Rota (1944 - 1984): a leading Italian economist born in Turin, who was in charge of economic research at the Centro Einaudi for many years.

The Award also relies on a well-established collaboration with the [Department of Economics and Statistics 'Cognetti De Martiis'](#) (ESt, University of Turin) that has been enriched, since the tenth edition of the Award, with the participation of the **Department of Economics, Social Studies, Applied Mathematics and Statistics** ([ESOMAS](#), University of Turin). Both departments take part in the **Scientific Committee** of the *Giorgio Rota Best Paper Award*, in memory of the scientific contribution Giorgio Rota gave when he was a Professor of Political Economy at the University of Turin and a member of the Prato Institute of Economic and Financial Science (later incorporated into the newly constituted ESOMAS Department).

The [Centro Einaudi](#) is an independent non-profit institute based in Turin. Its mission is to conduct independent research, providing policy recommendations in the fields of political economy, welfare policies, government and market competition.

Since 1963, the Centro Einaudi has been a beacon of liberalism and one of the most influential Italian think-tanks. Many of its members hold prominent positions in academia, government, journalism and business.

Established in 1991, [Fondazione CRT](#) is the third largest Italian philanthropic institution by asset. It has granted a total of more than EUR 2 billion for over 42,000 projects in the fields of art and culture, research, youth training, fight against poverty, improvement of the quality of life of people with disabilities, environmental protection, and innovation. In addition, it has entirely redeveloped the OGR Torino, transforming it into an international center of technological and cultural innovation.



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Young researchers are invited to participate to the 13th GIORGIO ROTA Best Paper Award by submitting high-quality scientific papers (a maximum of two papers per candidate) presenting original research on the following subject:

Economic perspectives on art, culture and heritage

The thirteenth edition of the award in memory of the illustrious economist Giorgio Rota aims to stimulate outstanding contributions of scientific reflection on the diverse contributions that art, culture, and heritage can make to economic development and social progress, even in turbulent times. Since the 1980s and the rise of the knowledge-based economy, post-industrial economies and industries have relied heavily on human creativity to compete and innovate. Cultural and creative sectors have become significant sources of employment opportunities and income. Art and heritage have been recognized as essential drivers of economic growth and development. In today's dramatically changed global financial and political landscape, this Call aims to gather contributions to understand the interaction between creativity, markets and society.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

Sustainable development and art, culture, and heritage
Labour market in the field of art, culture, and heritage
Culture and innovation
Spillover effects of cultural and creative industries
Bridging heritage protection and local development
Recent trends in cultural tourism
Cultural heritage and commodification
Culture, art, and the creative city
The management of World Heritage Sites
The art market and NFTs
The role of art and culture in fostering inclusivity and social progress
Participatory approaches in art, culture, and heritage

A **maximum of three papers** will be selected and the author/s will be awarded a prize – depending on the ranking - of 2.500/2.000/1.500 Euros (gross) per paper. The authors will be invited to present their work at the **Giorgio Rota Conference** that will be held in Turin. Date and program will be published on the Centro Einaudi website (www.centroeinaudi.it) and notice given to the winners.

Participation to the conference is mandatory in order to be awarded the prize. The Centro Einaudi will also refund up to a maximum of 1.000 Euros for travel/accommodation expenses to Turin, depending on the place of origin (one author for each paper).



Only high-quality articles providing original insights with respect to the existing literature will be considered.

This Call is open to all types of articles, unpublished or already published. In the latter case, a) it must be explicit that it is an article already published in a previous/extended version, etc b) in case of award, a restricted/edited/translated version of the original article must be produced for *Quaderni del Premio "Giorgio Rota"*. Preferred features, e.g. a more popular version, more policy will be appreciated.

The Award committee will select the papers on the basis of the following evaluation criteria: 1) relevance to the topic; 2) literature review; 3) quality of the methods and the data; 4) originality of the data and the conclusions; 5) understandability. All decisions of the committee are final.

Reviewed and formatted versions (rules for authors will be sent to the winners) of the award-winning papers will be then provided by the winners in order to be published in *Quaderni del Premio "Giorgio Rota"*, an ISBN working paper online series of the Centro Einaudi, **by the end of October 2025**.

The *GIORGIO ROTA Best Paper Award* is open to researchers **born after December 31st, 1990** who have obtained a university graduate qualification (BA, MA or PhD) in the fields of economics, geography, sociology, political science or other social sciences.

In order to participate to the prize, the corresponding author of each paper should submit **by Sunday, 16th March 2025** an email to **applications-GR@centroeinaudi.it** with the following documents:

- A signed copy of the *GIORGIO ROTA Best Paper Award* [Application Form](#);
- The scientific paper in electronic format (up to two papers per participant);
- A copy of the document proving the obtained university graduate qualification;
- A copy of an identification document indicating the date of birth;
- A C.V. (either in English or Italian).

Co-authored papers are acceptable on condition that **all the authors fulfil the eligibility criteria** of the prize and declare – in a document attached to the application form – that they are informed of the award procedure.

Researchers who have already been awarded a prize in the past two years are not eligible to participate in this Call.



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Submitted papers need to fulfil the following criteria:

- To be written in English or Italian;
- To be saved in .pdf format following the rules for authors (see herebelow)
- The article must be edited in the specific [format of the Quaderni Giorgio Rota](#)
- Not to exceed 8.000 words (titles, footnotes, figures and tables included);
- To include an abstract of 150-300 words, in English or Italian;
- To include 3-5 key words.

The selected papers will be announced by Tuesday, 15th April, 2025.

For further information, please contact applications-GR@centroeinaudi.it /
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Turin, February 27th, 2025