



Italy and International Relations: History, Policies, Perspectives

*Bachelor's and Master's dissertation award
IAI-Department of Culture, Politics and Society University of Turin*

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IAI, within the framework of the collaboration with the Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo, is pleased to announce the second edition (2023/2024) of the Bachelor's and Master's dissertation award 'Italy and International Relations: History, Policies, Perspectives', under the patronage of the Department of Culture, Politics and Society of the University of Turin.

The award aims to encourage and promote the study of **topics related to Italian foreign policy**, understood in the broadest sense, among **new generations of researchers**, in line with IAI's mission to deepen understanding, foster debate and propose solutions to the challenges of European and international politics.

Recipients

The award is open to students who have successfully discussed a **Bachelor's or Master's dissertation, in Italian or English, at the University of Turin between 1 April 2023 and 30 September 2024.**

The dissertation must deal with a topic that is relevant to **Italian foreign policy** and/or **Italy's place and role in the system of international relations**, broadly understood: from the traditional foci of Italian foreign policy (transatlantic, European and Mediterranean) to the country's participation in multilateral fora and organisations; from its contribution to military missions abroad to its commitment to development

cooperation; up to Italy's efforts in the field of public and cultural diplomacy.

The award is open to dissertations that address the topic not only from a **political science** and **international relations** perspective but also from **historical**, **legal**, **economic** and **technological** perspectives, among others.

Admission procedure

To be admitted to the selection and assessment process, participants must submit

- the **full text of the dissertation**, in PDF format;
- an **abstract of 1500 words**, in Italian or English, summarising the main research outputs and possible implications for policy-making, in Word and PDF format;
- a **certificate**, in Italian or English, confirming that **the defence** of the dissertation took place during the period covered by the call and the **final grade**; the certificate must clarify the type of dissertation (Bachelor's or Master's);
- a **CV**, in Italian or English, in PDF format.

The application, including the above-mentioned documents, must be submitted **by 30 September 2024** via email, at polestera@iai.it, with the subject: [Surname]-Ref. PREMIOLAUREA-2024

The submissions will be assessed by a committee made up of representatives of the three organisations involved (IAI, Fondazione Compagnia di San Paolo and the Department of Culture, Politics and Society of the University of Turin).

Two winning dissertations will be selected at the sole discretion of the commission: **one for the category of Bachelor's dissertations and one for that of Master's dissertations**. The dissertations will be assessed based on their contribution to the development of the (scientific and non-scientific) debate on Italian foreign policy, their analytical and methodological rigour and the originality of the proposed approach.

Awards

The two winning dissertations (one for the Bachelor's category, one for the Master's category) will receive a **cash prize** and an **award plaque** in recognition of the merit of the proposed work. The cash prize is **1500 euros gross** per dissertation; individual candidates will be responsible for any fees and taxes incurred.

The two winners will receive the award during a **public ceremony**, in the presence of representatives of the promoting organisations, to be held in Turin in the first half of December 2024. The ceremony will be publicised in the preceding weeks through IAI's main communication channels.

The IAI reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to publish a **summary or excerpt of the winning dissertations** in its editorial series, to be agreed upon with the respective authors.

Deadlines

This call is open from **1 June 2024** to **30 September 2024**.

The winners will be announced by **15 November 2024**.

The award ceremony will take place in **the first half of December 2024**.