

**ROMA SAPIENZA FOUNDATION**

**Call for applications**

**For the M8 Alliance prize for the best thesis**

Art. 1

Number and type of prize

The M8 Alliance of Academic Health Centers, Universities and National Academies offers **one prize**, for the year 2023, with a grant of € 5.000,00, gross of charges to be paid by the beneficiary, (provided by Roma Sapienza Foundation), addressed to the best postgraduate training (residency) /doctoral dissertation about Health Sciences and Research.

Art. 2

General admission requirements

The call for applications is addressed to early-career candidates who have completed, in one of the Institutions of the M8 Alliance, a formal residency training or a PhD course in health/medical professions, and whose study activity offers a significant contribution to the scientific progress in his/her disciplinary area. This includes both health/medical professionals who completed formal residency training or PhD program during the last year (i.e., 2022) and resident/doctoral students who will complete the degree course within the deadline of this announcement (January 31st, 2024).

Art. 3

Application, methods of presentation and qualifications that can be assessed

The deadline for submitting the application is Wednesday, January 31st, 2024 at 23:59 CET.

A pre-selection will be carried out by the candidates' home institutions so that only one candidate per institution can ultimately compete. The selected candidates must apply by registering at the following link <https://forms.gle/qQmXZQpPwipvcVsG8> and completing the online form/process;

candidates must also provide a valid email address for future communications and attach the following documentation to his/her application:

- 1) application form completed and signed (Attachment A, in pdf format to be renamed: Name Surname application);
- 2) copy of a valid identity document (in pdf format to be renamed: Name Surname docidentity);
- 3) curriculum vitae et studiorum (in pdf format to be renamed: Name Surname CV);
- 4) certification of PhD degree with the date of graduation and final mark (in pdf format to be renamed: Name Surname PHD) and/or certification of specialization with the date of graduation and final mark (in pdf format to be renamed: Name Surname.specialization);
- 5) copy of the PhD/specialization thesis (in pdf format to be renamed: Name.Surname\_thesis);
- 6) description/summary of the thesis, including Background, Specific Aims and Methods, Results and Discussion - 3-page limit (pdf file to be renamed: Surname\_Name\_thesis-summary)
- 7) any letters of reference or support (in pdf format to be renamed: Name.Surname letter)
- 8) list of most significant publications (in pdf format to be renamed Name Surname publications);

Certifications may also be provided as a self-declaration affidavit (according to art. 47 and art. 19 of D.P.R. n. 445/2000 In Italy) – Annex B.

The attachments must be provided in a PDF format, with a file size limitation of 10 GB. Applications received by any mean other than the one listed above will not be accepted. Requirements must be possessed within the deadline set, under penalty of exclusion from selection.

#### Art. 4

#### Judging Commission and Award Ceremony

All applications received will be unquestionably evaluated by an examining board made up of experts in the field of Health Sciences and Medical Research, nominated by Sapienza Foundation and chaired by Prof. Axel R. Pries, current President of M8 alliance. All applications will be subjected to a rigorous peer-review process and controls on the authenticity of the declarations. The winner will be selected on the basis of the topic of his/her dissertation (i.e., coherent with the topic of this call for applications), the personal contribution to health progress and scientific research, and the curriculum. The selection board will take into account:

- innovation of the topic in current practice within the discipline of the candidate;
- high level of quality in research;
- international exchange, collaborations and partnership opportunities.

The outcome will be communicated to the interested parties by advertising on the website of Rome Sapienza Foundation (provided below).

The winner will be made public during the award ceremony at the WHS in Berlin (October 2024), and he/she will be asked to personally accept the prize during the event, if at all possible. In case of renounce/withdrawal of the candidate ranked as a winner, the prize will be awarded to candidate who, in order, ranked next.

The winners of the competition will be notified to the email address indicated in the registration form and the prize will be paid in a single installment.

#### Art. 6 Incompatibility

The scholarship is incompatible with other scholarships / awards, provided by the Sapienza Foundation, received in the same year or in previous years, having the same object.

#### Art. 7 Treatment of personal data

The personal data provided by the candidates will be processed exclusively for the purposes of managing the competition procedure.

#### Art. 8 Final provisions

For all matters not covered by this announcement, the current Italian legislation is applied.

This call for applications for the award for the year 2023 of a grant of € 5,000.00, gross of the charges to be paid to the beneficiary, intended for the best postgraduate training (residency) /doctoral dissertation on Health Sciences and Research will be acquired in the internal collection of this Foundation and made available electronically on the website [www.fondazione.sapienza.uniroma1.it](http://www.fondazione.sapienza.uniroma1.it)



Roma, December 19, 2023

ROMA SAPIENZA FOUNDATION

THE PRESIDENT  
Prof. Eugenio Gaudio

Information on the processing of personal data pursuant to Legislative Decree 196/2003  
and the GDPR 2016/679.

The personal data you provide are processed in accordance with the provisions of the Legislative Decree 196/2003 of the Personal Data Protection Code, hereinafter the Privacy Code, and of the EU Regulation 2016/679 concerning the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data, as well as the free circulation of such data and which repeals Directive 95/46 / EC (General Data Protection Regulation, hereinafter GDPR).

Pursuant to art. 13 of Legislative Decree 196/2003 and art. 13 of EU regulation 2016/679, the following information is provided:

- the personal data referred to you will be collected and in any case processed in compliance with the principles of correctness, lawfulness and protection of confidentiality, using IT methods and exclusively for the purpose of processing the personal data declared in the application and communicated to the Roma Sapienza Foundation. The processing is aimed at carrying out the institutional functions defined in Regulation (EU) no. 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013, of the Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 640/2014 of the Commission. The data acquired in execution of this information will be used exclusively for the purposes relating to the administrative procedure (s) for which they are communicated;
- the provision of your data and the related processing are mandatory in relation to the purposes described above; it follows that any refusal to provide them will result in non-admission to the insolvency procedure;
- The contact details of the Data Protection Officer (DPO) are [fondazione.sapienza@uniroma1.it](mailto:fondazione.sapienza@uniroma1.it), P.le Aldo Moro 5, 00185 Rome;
- The Data Controller of personal data is the pro tempore president of the Roma Sapienza Foundation, legal representative of the institution. The Delegate and Data Processing Manager is the Secretariat of the Roma Sapienza Foundation;
- the data will be processed exclusively by persons appointed and responsible for the Data Controller or Manager, authorized and instructed to do so, adopting all those technical and organizational measures appropriate to protect the rights, freedoms and legitimate interests that are recognized by law as of interested party;
- personal data are kept for ten years from the date of signing the application for admission;
- personal data will in no way be transferred to a non-European third country, or communicated to third parties outside the cases provided for by the legislation in force, or automated decision-making processes including profiling.

You can exercise the rights provided for by art. 7 of Legislative Decree 196/2003 and by art. from 15 to 22 of EU regulation 679/2016, such as: confirmation of the existence or otherwise of your personal data and their making available in an intelligible form; have knowledge of the purposes on which the treatment is based; obtain the cancellation, transformation into anonymous form or the limitation or blocking of data processed in violation of the law, as well as the updating, correction or, if there is interest, the integration of data; oppose, for legitimate reasons, the processing itself, by contacting the Data Controller, the Data Protection Officer (DPO) or the Data Processor, through the above contacts or the right to lodge a complaint with the competent supervisory authority.

Attachment A

Fac simile

Application for **the M8 Alliance prize for the best thesis**, for the year 2023, with a grant of € 5.000,00, gross of charges to be paid by the beneficiary, (provided by Roma Sapienza Foundation), addressed to the best postgraduate training (residency) /doctoral dissertation about Health Sciences and Research.

To the President of the  
ROMA SAPIENZA FOUNDATION  
Piazzale Aldo Moro, 5  
00185 ROME

The undersigned, (NAME and SURNAME) .....  
..... born in ..... on  
..... and resident in .....  
Street/Square ....., tax code.....  
telephone and / or mobile phone number .....  
e-mail .....  
address to which I wish to receive communications .....

submits an application for the award for the year 2023 of a prize of 5.000,00 euros on “the best postgraduate training (residency) /doctoral dissertation about Health Sciences and Research”.

referred to in the notice of ....., expiring on .....

For the purposes of the competition, the undersigned elects his / her address in:

Street..... n .....

City ..... province .....

Landline phone .....

Mobile phone .....

e-mail address .....

undertaking to promptly communicate any changes.

The undersigned, aware that the release of false or incomplete declarations is a criminal offense, declares under his/her own responsibility:

1. to be a .....citizen;
2. to have obtained the certification of PhD degree in ..... at the Faculty of ..... of .....University of .....with the vote of ..... , in the academic year ..... having discussed the thesis by title

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4. not to be in a situation of incompatibility, referred to in Articles 2 and 6 of the above cited call

Place.....

Signature

**Annex B**

DECLARATION OF CONFORMING COPY

(art. 46, Presidential Decree 445 of 28 December 2000)

The undersigned ..... born  
in ..... on the ...../...../....., and resident in  
....., prov. ...., in  
.....Street..... n....., having taken note of the  
provisions of art. 76 of the Presidential Decree 28/12/2000 n. 445 (\*)

**DECLARES\*\***

that the copy of the document, publication or title indicated and attached below conforms to the  
original:

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Pursuant to Law 675/96, he is informed and authorizes the collection of data for the ongoing  
administrative procedure.

Place and date.....

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(full and legible signature)

(\*)D.P.R. 445/2000, art. 76, 1st paragraph: "Whoever makes false statements, forms false documents or uses them in the cases provided for by this consolidated act is punished in accordance with the penal code and the special laws on the matter".

(\*\*) Presidential Decree 445/2000, art. 76, 2nd paragraph: "The production of a document containing data that no longer corresponds to the truth is equivalent to the use of a false document".