FameLab is back in Trieste: the city will host the local selection of the international competition challenging young scientists with the talent of communication to tell in just 3 minutes the object of his or her study, or a scientific topic they are interested in.

The selection will take place on the morning of Friday, 31 March 2023, at the Sala Luttazzi of Magazzino 26 (Porto Vecchio).

Contestants will have to tell a scientific topic in a clear, engaging and understandable way, even for a non-expert audience. No projections, graphs or videos: at their disposal only 3 minutes and a handful of words, and their own communicative talent, to convince the jury and convey the fascination of scientific research.

Entries are due by Sunday, 26 March 2023, through online form: bit.ly/3Di6kwb

The first two winners in each local selection will receive a cash prize, access to a Science Communication Masterclass, which will take place in Perugia in June, and to the National Final Competition, scheduled for late September during European Researchers' Night.

The winner of FameLab Italy 2023 will have access to the FameLab International Final Competition, scheduled for the autumn, where he/she will face other competitors from around the world.

Stages of the competition

Formative meeting (Trieste, Friday 24 March 2023)
Where: Polo Giovani Toti, via del Castello 1
When: 5.30-9.30 pm
This is a free meeting dedicated to content preparation and to drama tips. The meeting is organised to help aspiring contestants construct their presentations in the best possible way. Donato Ramani, scientific communicator at SISSA, will explain how to give the content of presentations an effective narrative structure, while the actress Daniela Gattorno will focus on how to move on stage and how to use the voice.
All interested and eligible researchers can participate.
To register: info@immaginarioscientifico.it

Local Competition (Trieste, Friday 31 March 2023)
Where: Sala Luttazzi, Magazzino 26 (Porto Vecchio)
When: ore 9.00 am - 1.00 pm
During the local selection, participants will have 3 minutes to impress the judges. FameLab is looking for fascinating and engaging presentations that can be understood by a general audience. Candidates are allowed to bring one or more items that do not require set-up time. Video or image projections of any kind are not allowed.

Each competitor is asked to prepare 2 different presentations of 3 minutes each: one for the pre-selection and one for the final selection, should they pass the pre-selection. At the end of the morning the jury will announce a first and a second place winner of the local competition: both will be admitted to the National competition.
FameLab Masterclass (Perugia, 9-11 June 2023)
First and second place winners of all local selections will have the opportunity to participate in the FameLab Masterclass, a 2-3 days training event where professional science communicators will help participants to further develop their communication skills, in order to better prepare their presentations for the National Final event.

National Final Competition (Perugia, 30 September 2023)
The Italian Final Competition will see the challenge between the winners of the different local selections. At the end of the competition the jury will decide the winner of FameLab Italia 2023, who will participate in FameLab International, in November.

Participation Requirements

1) Be part of one of the following three categories:
   • Researchers or research fellows, at public or private research institutions
   • Persons with a proven working relationship in the field of Research and Development with a public or private institution or company, and holding a Master's or single-cycle Degree
   • Students in a Doctoral or Postgraduate school or post-degree Master
FameLab will accept competitors from STEM fields and Humanities fields (Sociology, Law, Linguistics, Political Science, Anthropology, Archaeology, Philosophy, Geography, History) who adopt scientific methods, theories and data in their research, and who will talk about them in their talks.

2) Be born after 1 January 1988.

3) Not having reached the National Final or Masterclass in previous editions of FameLab, in Italy or abroad.

4) Not carrying out professional activities in the field of Science Communication or Communication (authors, writers, journalists, Science animators, museum guides). Individuals who are involved in study or research in scientific fields as their main activity and who marginally carry out Communication activities may be eligible.

The above requirements must be valid until the FameLab International Final Competition.

Applications will not be accepted from:
Press officers or communication officers of scientific bodies or organisations
Artists working on scientific topics
Performers whose performances concern Science and Engineering
Staff of museums or science centres who usually, or exclusively, work with the public
Journalists or radio/TV announcers (who perform this task as their main, or exclusive, profession)
Students, researchers and scientists in social or economic sciences
Students of Masters or Specialisation schools in Science Communication and Science Journalism
Primary and Secondary school teachers

Applicants may be of any nationality (for foreigners presentations may be held in English).

Hot to register
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Prizes
• First place winner: € 400,00, admission to the FameLab Masterclass, admission to the National Final Competition, admission as an auditor to a course of the Master in Science Communication "Franco Prattico" - (SISSA, Trieste).
• Second place winner: € 200,00, admission to FameLab Masterclass and to National Final Competition.

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