



SCIENCE IN 3 MINUTES FAMELAB TRIESTE 2024

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, **5 April 2024**, 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 Thursday, 28 March 2024, through [online form](#).

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 September-October.

The winner of FameLab Italy 2024 will have access to the **FameLab International Final Competition**, scheduled for November, where he/she will face other competitors from around the world.

Stages of the competition

Formative meeting (Trieste, Friday 21 March 2024)

Where: online

When: 4:00-8:00 pm

A free online meeting aimed at FameLab Trieste contestants. It is a mini-masterclass designed by FameLab Italia to help aspiring contestants to better construct their presentations. Public speaking in the Italian and international context of research communication will be analysed. Guidelines will be provided on how to construct a short talk by organising the content in a narrative structure. It will be an opportunity to acquire a "scientific storyteller's toolbox" useful to better prepare for the FameLab challenge!

All interested and eligible researchers can participate.

To register: info@immaginarioscientifico.it

Local Competition (Trieste, Friday 5 April 2024)

Where: Sala Luttazzi, Magazzino 26 (Porto Vecchio)

When: ore 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

During the local selection, participants 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, in case 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, June 2024)

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 (September/October 2024)

The Italian Final Competition will see the challenge between the winners of all 12 local selections. At the end of the competition the jury will decide the winner of FameLab Italia 2024, 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 the fields of Science, Medicine, Engineering, and Humanities fields (Anthropology, Archaeology, Economics, Geography, History, History of Art, Law, Literature, Linguistics, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology) 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 1989.

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 Communication or Science 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 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

Fill in the online form by **Thursday 28 March 2024**: bit.ly/49gISNk

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.