GENERAL PROVISIONS

PRESIDENCY OF THE REGIONAL GOVERNMENT OF EXTREMADURA

DECREE OF THE PRESIDENT 2/2022 of 19 September, approving the regulatory bases for the Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation. (2022030002)

The European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation (hereinafter referred to as the Foundation), is a public non-profit-making, cultural, scientific, research and dissemination entity integrated in the foundational public sector of the Regional Government of Extremadura, attached to the Presidency of the Regional Government of Extremadura as its head office through the Directorate General of External Action in accordance with Decree 138/2021 of 21 December by which the organic structure of the Presidency of the Regional Government of Extremadura is established and Decree 87/2019 of 2 August, by which the basic organic structure of the Administration of the Autonomous Community of Extremadura, is modified.

One of the objectives of the Foundation is to strengthen the historical and cultural ties that unite the countries of Ibero-America and Europe with Extremadura, with the aim of fostering, promoting and supporting relations with the Ibero-American and European environment, and that the shared common past be continued in the present and projected into the future. Likewise, to contribute to the promotion and consolidation of the existing links between Extremadura, Europe and Ibero-America under the principles of loyalty, respect for their respective identity, mutual benefit and solidarity.

The goals of the Foundation are to support the promotion of democracy, respect for human rights, the promotion of peace and international concord, as well as the development of all peoples and nations of the world through the promotion of culture, research, dissemination of knowledge and social integration.

The Foundation carries out activities to strengthen the links between Europe and Ibero-America and to promote solidarity and social justice; it grants scholarships and financial aid; organises courses, congresses, seminars and conferences; it publishes publications; carries out Research, Development and Innovation (R+D+I) activities, and develops Development Cooperation and solidarity projects and programmes, among other activities.

To fulfil its aims, the Foundation establishes the regulatory bases of the Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses (hereinafter referred to as the Prize), in accordance with the provisions of Article 16 of Law 6/2011 of 23 March on Subsidies of the Autonomous Community of Extremadura, in accordance with the budgetary availabilities of the corresponding financial year.

This Research Prize aims both, to subsidise the publication of the winning doctoral thesis and to award a prize of €3,000 to its author.

Theses read in Portugal, Spain or in any Ibero-American or European country that address the relations between Spain, Portugal or Europe as a whole with Ibero-America and vice versa as a theme, from a historical, cultural, social, scientific, economic perspective or from any other field of study may participate for the awarding of this prize.
By an agreement adopted at a meeting held on 10 January 2018, the Governing Council of the Regional Government of Extremadura authorised the Foundation to grant financial aid in accordance with the object and foundational goals set out in Article 5 of its bylaws.

Subsequent to this agreement, Article 10.8 of Law 8/2019, of 5 April, for a more flexible administration in the Autonomous Community of Extremadura, has redrafted the third additional provision of Law 6/2011, of 23 March, on Subsidies of the Autonomous Community of Extremadura, the first sentence of which reads as follows: "Foundations and companies in the public sector of the Autonomous Community of Extremadura may grant subsidies when, being empowered to do so by their bylaws or by their rules of creation, they are expressly authorised by the ministry they are attached to”.

Article 16 of Law 6/2011 of 23 March on Subsidies of the Autonomous Community of Extremadura, drafted according to Law 8/2019 of 5 April, for a more flexible administration in the Autonomous Community of Extremadura, establishes that "The regulatory bases for subsidies shall be established by decree of the President or by order of the holder of the corresponding ministry or of the ministry to which the public bodies or entities linked to or dependent upon it are attached, with the prior report of the General Legal Office and the General Intervention Board".

Due to the past experience in the management of this award it is advisable to make modifications in the text of the Presidential Decree that was previously adopted, in the interest of the principle of normative quality, in order to improve certain aspects of the procedure by simplifying its handling, and by providing participants with a more effective response, which guarantees the effectiveness of the objective pursued with the award of this prize.

It is therefore necessary to adopt new regulatory bases in order to ensure the principle of legal certainty. This regulatory provision is implemented in a manner that is consistent with the rest of the legal system, thus maintaining a stable, transparent and as simplified as possible regulatory framework, that is easily accessible for citizens to acquire the fastest and most comprehensible knowledge of the regulations, not prejudicing with the coexistence of the original rule and its subsequent modifications.

The new Regulatory Bases have taken into account the provisions of Law 8/2011 of 23 March on equality between women and men and against gender violence in Extremadura and Organic Law 3/2007 of 22 March on effective equality of women and men.

Therefore, in accordance with article 90.1 of Law 1/2002 of 28 February of the Government and the Administration of the Regional Government of Extremadura, in accordance with Article 16 of law 6/2011 of 23 March,

I HEREBY DECREE:

Article 1. Approval of the regulatory bases.

The regulatory bases of the Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation are approved, in the terms set out in the annex to this Presidential Decree.
Article 2. Exercise of administrative powers.

The previous authorisation to the concession, as well as the functions arising from the requirement of reimbursement and the imposition of sanctions, shall be exercised by the General Secretariat of the Presidency without prejudice to the supervisory and other administrative powers vested in the other administrative bodies responsible in each case.

Sole repeal provision. Regulatory repeal.

The regulatory bases contained in the Presidential Decree 22/2020, of 30 November, which approves the regulatory bases for the granting of the Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation, are terminated are overruled.

Single final provision. Entry into force.

This Presidential Decree shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the Official Journal of Extremadura.

In Mérida, 19 September 2022.

The President of the Regional Government of Extremadura,

GUILLERMO FERNÁNDEZ VARA
ANNEX
REGULATORY BASES FOR THE RESEARCH PRIZE TO
IBERO-AMERICAN DOCTORAL TESIS OF
THE EUROPEAN AND IBERO-AMERICAN ACADEMY OF YUSTE FOUNDATION

First. Objective.

The objective of this Presidential Decree is to establish the bases to award the Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses delivered by the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation with the aim of supporting the development of research work, encouraging in turn the reflection and exchange of ideas of university researchers and professionals on Ibero-American and European topics.

Second. Nature and content of the Prize.

1. The Prize has a cultural and scientific nature requiring the prior application of those interested, and its content consists in editing the winning thesis in collaboration with its author, the layout of the thesis and the design of the cover, and its publication, as well as the awarding of €3,000 to the award-winner.

2. The publication of the winning doctoral thesis will consist of a print run of 300 copies, of which the author will receive 10 copies free of charge. The rest of the copies will be distributed by the Foundation.

Third. Book collection "Tesis Doctorales".

The collection "Tesis Doctorales", is a book collection that was created to publish the winning theses of the prize. The prize-winning doctoral theses will be published on paper in this collection.

Fourth. Legal regime.

The legal regime applicable to the prize regulated in these bases will be the one foreseen in them and in the corresponding call, in Law 6/2011, of 23 March, on Subsidies of the Autonomous Community of Extremadura, as well as by the basic regulations included in Law 38/2003 of 17 November, on General Subsidies and, when relevant, by the remaining basic provisions of the State.

Fifth. Funding and endowment of the Prize.

1. The prize shall be financed from the budget of the Foundation for the relevant financial year.

2. The prize covers the total cost of the publication of the winning thesis of the Prize in the book collection "Tesis Doctorales", with an amount that will range from €4,000 to €6,000, taking into account that the amount will vary according to the number of pages of the winning doctoral
thesis, since the type of paper, the design and the binding of the books will be similar to the physical characteristics of the same collection: “Tesis Doctorales”.

3. The Prize has a financial endowment of €3,000, which the corresponding tax deduction will be applied to.

Sixth. Requirements for beneficiaries and of the doctoral theses.

1. The beneficiaries of this prize may be individuals who have full capacity to act, who certify that they meet the specific requirements in these bases and those of the respective call and who do not find themselves in any of the circumstances found in sections 2 and 3 of Article 12 of Law 6/2011 of 23 March on Subsidies of the Autonomous Community of Extremadura that will impede them from becoming beneficiaries.

Furthermore, the winner of the prize cannot have previously received a Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses or a “Research Prize to Doctoral Theses ‘Fernando Serrano Mangas’”.

2. Doctoral theses that qualify for the prize must meet the following requirements:

a) Be written in Spanish, English or Portuguese.

b) Have been read in Portugal, Spain or in any Ibero-American or European country and address the relations between Spain, Portugal or Europe as a whole with Ibero-America and vice versa as a topic, from a historical, cultural, social, scientific, economic perspective or from any other field of study.

c) Have obtained the highest rating established in the standard in force at the time of reading.

d) Have been read in one of the two years preceding the publication of the corresponding call.

e) Be unpublished, that is, that it has not already been published.

Seventh. Publicity of the bases and the call.

1. In compliance with the principles of publicity, transparency, concurrence, objectivity, equality and non-discrimination, both the extract from the call and the call itself will be published in the Official Journal of Extremadura. The National Grants Database will send the extract of the call for it publication to this journal, in accordance with the provisions of Article 16 q) of Law 6/2011, of 23 March, on Subsidies of the Autonomous Community of Extremadura.


3. In addition, and in compliance with the provisions of Article 20.8. a) of General Law 38/2003, of 17 November, of Subsidies, publicity of the call as well as of the subsidies granted in the National Database of Subsidies will be given.
Likewise, the full text of the calls as well as that of the prize will be published in the Electronic Portal of Transparency and Citizen Participation, in accordance with Article 11 of Law 4/2013, of 21 May, of Open Government of Extremadura.

Eighth. Deadline and way to submit applications and annexed documentation.

1. The deadline for the submission of applications will be 30 working days starting on the day following the publication of the call and its corresponding extract in the Official Journal of Extremadura.

2. Applications shall be formalised completing the model found in annex I of these bases along with the required documentation. They shall be physically submitted in the registry of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation, based at Paseo de Roma, Módulo E, second floor, 06800 Mérida (Badajoz) or via the post office, in which case the application should be taken there in an open envelope so that the person in charge may state the date when it was presented and be sent by certificate mail. The theses shall be submitted in DVD format, USB pen drive or similar.

In the same manner, the application along with the required documentation and the thesis’ text in PDF format may be sent to the following email address:

   tesisdoctorales@fundacionyuste.org

3. The completed application form (annex I) shall be submitted with the following documentation:

   a) A valid copy of the N.I.F., passport or any other identifying official document, in case the Foundation were not given authorisation to gather this documentation ex officio.

   b) Certification accrediting the date when the doctoral thesis was read and the grade given.

   c) A valid copy of the university title and curriculum vitae.

   d) A copy of the thesis in digital format.

   e) A summary of the thesis of up to 500 words.

   f) A responsible statement (or affidavit) of the applicant stating the thesis has not been published.

The Foundation may request the comparison of the copies provided by the applicant at any time in a reasoned manner, thus requesting the original document.

4. The submission of the application shall imply the consent of the applicants to the managing body so that, through the head of the General Secretariat of the Presidency, the identity and residence data be checked ex officio through the services offered by the Ministry of
Territorial Policy and Public Administration as provider of the Verification of Identity Data System (SVDI) and Residence (SVDR).

Applicants may object to the management body seeking or consulting accrediting certification that they are up to date with the regional finance and social security through the head of the General Secretariat of the Presidency, as foreseen in the corresponding section of the application form. In this case, they must present the corresponding accrediting certification that they are up to date with the Ministry of Finance of the Regional Government of Extremadura and the General Treasury of Social Security.

The certificates or information to be issued by the State Agency for Tax Administration require the explicit consent of the applicant to be collected ex officio by the managing body, through the head of the General Secretariat of the Presidency. In case of non-authorisation of this data, the corresponding attestation must be provided with the application.

All this, with the guarantees provided for in Organic Law 3/2018, of 5 December, on the Protection of Personal Data and the guarantee of digital rights and Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016, on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC, where any provisions that are not of a basic nature are supplementary in nature as well as other implementing legislation.

5. If the application does not satisfy the conditions laid down, the competent body shall request the person concerned to rectify it within a maximum and non-renewable period of 10 working days, indicating that if the applicant does not do so he/she shall be deemed to have withdrawn his/her application, prior decision to be issued in the terms provided for in Law 39/2015, of 1 October, of the Common Administrative Procedure of Public Administrations.

Ninth. Concession procedure.

1. The concession procedure of the prize provided for in these regulatory bases shall be conducted on a competitive basis, by means of a periodic call, within the budgetary availability limit.

The call will be approved by the Executive Committee of the Foundation after the authorisation of the holder of the General Secretariat of the Presidency of the Regional Government.

2. The doctoral theses shall be evaluated and selected on the basis of the evaluation criteria laid down in these regulatory bases.

3. The corresponding call shall determine the applications, budget projects and the estimated amounts initially foreseen for the duration of the call, which may be increased according to the availability of the budget.

Tenth. Objective evaluation criteria.

The prize will be based on the following criteria:

1. Evaluation phase of literary and scientific quality.
Concerning the literary quality of the theses (up to a maximum of 4 points), the evaluation will be as follows:

- Carefulness with the language employed and making no spelling mistakes, up to 1 point.
- The same will apply to creativity, up to 2 points.
- The originality of development, up to 1 point.

Concerning the scientific quality of the theses (up to a maximum of 12 points), the evaluation will be as follows:

- The novelty and soundness of the arguments used in the demonstration of the hypothesis proposed, up to 4 points.
- The suitability of the thesis to the objectives and goals of the Foundation established in its bylaws, up to 6 points.
- The relevance of bibliographic sources and their updating, up to 2 points.

The maximum score possible will be 16 points.
2. Interview phase. The authors of the five doctoral theses that get the highest score in the evaluation phase of the literary and scientific quality, will go on to the interview phase that, whether it be face-to-face or online, shall be convened by the president of the evaluation commission. The interview will consist of the defence of the doctoral thesis and the answers to the questions asked to the candidate by the members of the evaluation commission. The questions will deal with the content of the doctoral thesis and its suitability for the goals and objectives of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation.

The evaluation committee will evaluate this interview phase giving the candidate between 0 and 4 points.

3. The winner of the prize will be the person who gets the highest score after adding the scores from the stage of evaluation of literary and scientific quality to the score of the interview phase, where the maximum result possible is 20 points.

4. A reserve list will be constituted with the order of score resulting from the evaluation process and shall be applied in case of leaves or resignations.

5. Those who enter the interview phase and are not winners of the Prize will receive a second prize, consisting of a diploma without financial endowment or publication of the thesis.

Eleventh. Organisation and instruction of the procedure.

1. The person in charge of the Management Directorate of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation is responsible for the procedure for granting the prize that is regulated in these bases.

2. The instructive body will assess all the theses submitted, gathering as many actions as it deems necessary for the determination, knowledge and verification of the data *ex officio* in virtue of those on which the resolution proposal shall be made. At this stage, the fulfilment of the conditions imposed shall be verified to become a beneficiary of this Prize, prior to the issuance of the corresponding technical report, which shall be sent to the Evaluation Commission, constituted for this purpose.


1. An Evaluation Commission shall evaluate all applications submitted and shall issue a report specifying the result of the evaluation made in accordance with the criteria specified in the 10th base. The tie between two or more theses will be resolved according to the priority of the date and time of submission of the theses.

2. The Evaluation Commission will be made up by:

   — The person in charge of the Management Directorate of the Foundation or person to whom he delegates, who will exercise the chairmanship of the Evaluation Commission.

   — A person of recognised prestige in the academic field, appointed by the Management Directorate of the Foundation.
— Three professors from the University of Extremadura appointed by the Management Directorate of the Foundation.

3. The final composition of the Evaluation Commission will be published in the relevant call and the balanced representation of men and women will be ensured. The same criterion of representation shall be seen in the event of modification or renewal of that body, pursuant to article 29 of Law 8/2011 of 23 March on equality between women and men and against gender violence in Extremadura.

4. The Evaluation Commission will adjust its operation to the legal regime foreseen for the collegiate bodies in 3rd section, chapter II, of the preliminary title of Law 40/2015, of 1 October, on the Legal Regime of the Public Sector.

**Thirteenth. Proposal and Resolution of the concession.**

1. In the light of the file and in accordance with the report of the Evaluation Commission, the instructor of the procedure shall make the duly substantiated concession proposal of the Prize. To this end, the report of the Evaluation Commission shall be binding.

2. The maximum time limit to resolve and notify the procedure of concession shall be a maximum of three months from the end of the deadline for the submission of applications. At the end of that period, if the resolution of the concession has not been communicated, the Prize shall be deemed to be void.

3. The person holding the Presidency of the Executive Committee of the Foundation shall be the competent body to decide on the award of this prize, with prior authorisation of the holder of the General Secretariat of the Presidency of the Regional Government of Extremadura to continue with the processing of the prize and to proceed with its awarding in accordance with these regulatory bases and the corresponding call.

4. In the exercise of the functions of control and others involving administrative powers, as provided for in the third additional provision of Law 6/2011, of 23 March, the decision terminating the concession procedure shall be subject to appeal to the Secretary-General of the Presidency of the Regional Government of Extremadura within one month of the day following the date of issue of the decision, without prejudice to the possibility for the persons concerned to avail themselves of any other recourse which they consider appropriate.

**Fourteenth. Notification.**

The resolution of the procedure shall be notified individually to each interested party. Similarly, the resolution of the concession of the Prize shall be published on the Foundation’s website:

[www.fundacionyuste.org](http://www.fundacionyuste.org)

**Fifteenth. Obligations of the recipients of the prize.**

The recipient of the prize is subject to the obligations generally set out in Article 13 of Law 6/2011 of 23 March, and in particular:
a) In the event that the winning thesis needs adjustments in terms of the number of pages for its publication, the author of the winning thesis is obliged to accept its reduction previous report of the Evaluation Commission.

b) If the mentioned reduction is required, the winning person agrees that it should consist of a maximum length of 300 pages with a 12-point Times New Roman font and a justified page layout with a 1.5-line spacing. The maximum time available for the adaptation of the thesis will be a month from the time of communication.

Sixteenth. Deadline for the publication of the winning doctoral thesis.

Once the prize has been awarded, the Foundation will formalise the publication of the book in the “Tesis Doctorales” book collection within a maximum period of six months.

Seventeenth. Compatibility with other grants or aids.

The enjoyment of the prize referred to in this presidential Decree shall be compatible with the concurrent attainment of any grants or aids granted by Spanish or foreign public or private bodies with the same line of research, without prejudice to what is established in the sixth base.

Eighteenth. Modification of the concession resolution.

Upon notification of the resolution of the concession of the prize, its renunciation, the consequent incapacity or any other cause that implies the loss of the status of being the beneficiary, may result in the incorporation of a new beneficiary, making use of the reserve list that was constituted for that purpose in accordance with the tenth base.

Nineteenth. Reimbursement and forfeiture of the prize awarded.

1. The reimbursement and forfeiture to the prize awarded following a resolution by the Secretary General of the Presidency of the Regional Government of Extremadura could apply in the following cases:

   a) When withholding or distorting information taken into account for the granting of the aid.

   b) Any other measures provided for in Article 43 of Law 6/2011 of 23 March on Subsidies in the Autonomous Community of Extremadura.

2. The procedure to declare the appropriateness of the reimbursement and forfeiture to the Prize awarded will be the one established in article 48 of Law 6/2011 of 23 March.

Twentieth. Protection of personal data.

The list of participants applying for the prize and the reserve list that shall be constituted will meet all the requirements and conditions foreseen for this type of medium by the legislation on the protection of personal data, established in Organic Law 3/2018 of 5 December on the
ANNEX I

APPLICATION: RESEARCH PRIZE TO IBERO-AMERICAN DOCTORAL THeses

Name and Surname:

Passport number or NIF:

Address:

City: Province: Postal code:

Country:

Landline phone number: Mobile phone number: E-mail address:

Title of the doctoral thesis:

I DECLARE that the data in this application are true and I ACCEPT the terms of the regulations of this Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses.
DATA CONSULTING, OPPOSITION AND AUTHOSRATIONS

The Foundation, which is responsible for the processing of this procedure, which includes the processing of personal data, has the power to verify the personal data of the applicant expressed in this request under the eighth additional provision of Organic Law 3/2018 of 5 December on the Protection of Personal Data and guarantees of digital rights.

The European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation will consult the personal identity data of the applicant ex officio and whether he/she is up to date with his/her tax obligations towards the Autonomous Community Treasury as well as his/her obligations towards the General Treasury of Social Security through the services offered by the Ministry providing the Verification of Identity Data System.

In the event of the applicant’s opposition to such consultations, the certificate to which he/she objects shall be attached to the application.

(Please fill in only if you wish to object to the data being consulted by the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation):

☐ I OBJECT to the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation verifying that the applicant is up to date with his/her obligations towards the General Treasury of Social Security ex officio.

☐ I OBJECT to the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation verifying that the applicant is up to date with his/her obligations towards the Treasury of the Autonomous Community ex officio.

☐ I AUTHORISE ☐ I DO NOT AUTHORISE the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation to consult the tax data that prove that I am up to date with my obligations towards the State Tax Administration Agency. In case of not authorising, I attach the corresponding accrediting documentation.
ANNEX II

Affidavit

Mr. /Ms._______________________________________________________________,
with DNI / NIE/ Passport number __________________________, declares that:

- All the data in this application are true.
- He/ she is aware and accepts the conditions of the present call and fulfils the
  established requirements in it.
- He/ she fulfils all the requirements indicated in Article 12 of the Autonomous
  Community of Extremadura’s Subsidies Law 6/2011 of 23 March.

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(Signature of the applicant)

Signature: ................................................................................................

DATA PROTECTION In compliance with the provisions of Organic Law 3/2008 of 5
December on the Protection of Personal Data and the guarantee of digital rights and
Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of 27 April 2016 (GDPR) on the Protection of Personal Data,
the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation informs you that the
personal data obtained by completing this document or any other that is required in
processing this application will be incorporated, for processing, in an automated file. In
accordance with the provisions of that Regulation and in accordance with the
established procedure, you may exercise the rights of access, rectification, portability
and erasure of your data and the limitation or opposition to their processing to the
European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation, 10430, Cuacos de Yuste
(Cáceres), via e-mail, protectionatos@fundacionyuste.org, and your right to lodge a
complaint with the Supervisory Authority (www.agpd.es) if you consider that the
handling of this data does not comply with the current regulations.

PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSION
EUROPEAN AND IBERO-AMERICAN ACADEMY OF YUSTE FOUNDATION