

ANNOUNCEMENT of 18th December 2024 by which the call for applications for the Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation is made public.

By Presidential Decree 2/2022 of 19th September 2022, the regulatory bases for the Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation were approved (DOE No. 190 of 3 October 2022).

In the ninth base of the regulatory bases of the Research Prize to Ibero-American Doctoral Theses it is established that the procedure for granting it is competitive and that the call is public and will be approved by the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation's Executive Committee prior authorisation of the holder of the General Secretariat of the Regional Government of Extremadura's Regional Ministry of Presidency, Interior, and Social Dialogue.

Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of Article 1 of the aforementioned Presidential Decree, we proceed to the issuing of this notice for the public call of the Research Prize, which will be governed by the following:

BASES

First. Object.

The purpose of this call is to publish the award-winning doctoral thesis in the book collection "Doctoral Theses" and to award €3,000 to the recipient, with the aim of supporting the development of research work, encouraging the reflection and exchange of ideas of university students and researchers and professionals on Ibero-American and European issues. The call is regulated by Presidential Decree 2/2022 of 19 September 2022 (DOE No. 190 of 3 October 2022).

Second. Topic.

This Research Prize will be open to theses that 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.

Third. Requirements for beneficiaries and for the doctoral theses.

1. The beneficiaries of this prize may be natural persons 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.
- c) Have acquired 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.

Fourth. Concession procedure.

The award procedure in this call is conducted on a competitive basis by regular call, within the limit of budget availability.

Fifth. Objective evaluation criteria.

The prize will be based on the following criteria:

- 1. Evaluation phase of literary and scientific quality.

	Score
Literary quality:	
1. Carefulness with the language employed; no spelling mistakes; clear comprehensible concepts that are clearly expressed and no grammar mistakes.	Up to 2 points
2. Creativity and originality of development.	Up to 2 points

Scientific quality:	
1. Novelty of the results achieved and the strength of the arguments employed in the demonstration of the proposed hypotheses.	Up to 4points
2. The suitability of the thesis to the objectives and goals of the Foundation established in its statutes.	Up to 6 points
3. Coherence and systematic argumentation in the drafting of the text, relevance of the bibliographical sources and their update.	Up to 2 points

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 sections 1 and 2 of Article 5 of its statutes, 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 to 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 **from 0 to 4 point**

3. The winner of the prize will be the person who gets the highest score after adding the scores from the evaluation phase 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 special recognition, consisting of a diploma without financial endowment or publication of the thesis.

Sixth. Application submission period, submission method, and supporting 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 form found in Annex I of this call 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) An abstract of the thesis of up to 500 words.
 - f) A responsible statement (or affidavit) of the applicant stating the thesis is unpublished and has not been made public.

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).

The justification of being up to date in the tax obligations with the State Tax Administration Agency and the Regional Treasury, as well as with social security will be consulted or collected *ex officio* by the managing body, provided that the applicant authorises it by ticking the appropriate box in the Application model. The applicant must, otherwise, present the corresponding attestation certificates, which will be valid for a period of six months, from the date of their issuance.

All the above, 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.

Seventh. Competent bodies for the ordering, instruction, and resolution 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 ordering and instruction of the concession procedure of the prize that is regulated in this call.

2. The instructive body will assess all the theses submitted, carrying out *ex officio* all necessary actions for the determination, knowledge and verification of the data under which the motion for a resolution must be formulated. At this stage, the fulfilment of the conditions imposed to acquire the status of winner of the prize will be verified, after issuing the corresponding technical report that will be transmitted to the evaluation commission that will be constituted for this purpose.

3. 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. A tie between two or more theses will be resolved according to the priority of the date and time of submission of the theses.

The evaluation commission will be made up by:

- The Director of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation or the person to whom he delegates, who will chair the evaluation commission.
- Ms. Rosa María Perales Piqueres, PhD in Art History, Art History professor at the Faculty of Philosophy and Letters of the University of Extremadura.
- Mr. Sigfrido Vázquez Cienfuegos, PhD in American History, professor of

American History at the Faculty of Philosophy and Letters of the University of Extremadura.

- Mr. Gabriel Moreno, PhD in Law, professor of Constitutional Law at the Law Faculty of the University of Extremadura.
 - Ms. Carmen Fernández Daza, PhD in Spanish Philology. Academic of the Real Academia de las Artes y Letras de Extremadura and director of the university Santa Ana University Centre of the University of Extremadura.
4. 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.
 5. The maximum time limit to resolve and notify the procedure of concession shall be 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.
 6. The award decision shall be notified to the recipient, who may expressly resign within a maximum of five working days from the day following the notification.
 7. The award decision shall be published on the Foundation's website: www.fundacionyuste.org.
 8. The person holding the Presidency of the Foundation's Executive Committee 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 Regional Ministry of Presidency, Interior, and Social Dialogue of the Regional Government of Extremadura to continue with the processing of the prize and to proceed with its awarding in accordance with the present call.
 9. 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.

Eighth. Funding and endowment of the prize.

1. The prize shall be financed from the budgets of the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation from the budget period 2025.
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, considering 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.

Ninth. Payment and justification.

The payment of this subsidy will be made through a direct payment to the person awarded of € 3,000 tax included.

In addition, the amount of the subsidy will be used to cover the costs of publishing the prize-winning thesis in the “Doctoral Thesis” book collection.

The publication of the book of the winning thesis by the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation will serve as the justification of the realisation of the subsidised activity.

Tenth. Effectiveness.

This call shall take effect from the day following its publication and that of the extract referred to in Article 16.q) of Law 6/2011, of 23 March, in the Official Journal of Extremadura.

Mérida, on the date of the e-signature.
President of the Executive Committee
European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation

ANNEX I

APPLICATION: RESEARCH PRIZE TO IBERO-AMERICAN DOCTORAL THESES

Name and Surnames:

Passport number or NIF:

Address:

Locality:

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 AUTHORISATIONS

The Foundation, that 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 which he/she objects to shall be attached to the application.

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

I DO NOT AUTHORISE the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation to check *ex officio* that the applicant is up to date with his/her obligations towards the General Treasury of Social Security.

I AUTHORISE the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation to check *ex officio* that the applicant is up to date with his/her obligations towards the regional treasury.

I DO NOT AUTHORISE the European and Ibero-American Academy of Yuste Foundation to check *ex officio* that the applicant is up to date with his/her obligations towards the regional treasury.

I 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. If I do not authorize this, I attach the corresponding accrediting documentation.

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. If I do not authorize this, 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.

....., on 20

(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**