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## GIORGIO ROTA BEST PAPER AWARD FOR YOUNG RESEARCHERS



10<sup>th</sup> edition



### CALL FOR PAPERS 2022

The **Centro Einaudi** with the **support of Fondazione CRT** launches the 10<sup>th</sup> annual *GIORGIO ROTA Best Paper Award*, which is established to honour the memory of Giorgio Rota, a leading Italian economist born in Turin, who was in charge of economic research at the Centro Einaudi for many years.

The [Centro Einaudi](#) is an independent non-profit institute based in Turin. Its mission is to conduct independent research, providing policy recommendations in the fields of political economy, welfare policies, government and market competition.

Since 1963, the Centro Einaudi has been a beacon of liberalism and one of the most influential Italian think-tanks. Many of its members hold prominent positions in academia, government, journalism and business.

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Young researchers are invited to participate to the 10<sup>th</sup> GIORGIO ROTA Best Paper Award by submitting high-quality scientific papers (a maximum of two papers per candidate) presenting original research on the following subject:

## Labor, value, robots

The tenth edition of the award in the memory of the illustrious economist Giorgio Rota is a significant recurrence for the Centro Einaudi. A decade has passed since the award was inaugurated in 2012, and we intend to celebrate this recurrence at its best. This edition thus aims to stimulate outstanding contributions of scientific reflection on the challenges of industrial innovation - and automation mainly - on work and society, also considering the acceleration in labour transition fuelled by the investments for the post-pandemic recovery. An interpretative key may include for instance the economic thought from Ricardo to Marx to the present days: if robots will replace work, who will buy the goods produced? What will be the value of goods? What will happen in the least developed countries?

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Innovation in production and its effects on work and society
- Emerging trends in work organisation and jobs
- Economic perspectives and value theories on robots and other labor-saving
- Machines, labour, and artificial intelligence: a paradigm shift?
- Future scenarios of the age of the artificial intelligence (or “second machine age”)
- The development of production worldwide
- Public policies and practical solutions to manage the transition
- Contemporary production trends and social dynamics (inequalities, tensions)

The authors of the three best papers will be awarded a prize of **1.500 Euros** (gross) per paper (1 author) and **2.000 Euros** (gross) for co-authored paper (2 or more) and they will be invited to present their work at the **Giorgio Rota Conference** that will be organised in **May 2022** in **Turin** at the **Campus Luigi Einaudi (CLE)**, University of Turin, in presence (or by webinar, depending on the pandemic situation). The workshop date and programme will be published on the Centro Einaudi website ([www.centroeinaudi.it](http://www.centroeinaudi.it)).

Participation to the conference is mandatory in order to be awarded the prize. The Centro Einaudi will also refund up to a maximum of 1.000 Euros for travel/accomodation expenses to Turin, depending on the place of origin (one author for each paper).

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Only high-quality articles providing original insights with respect to the existing literature will be considered. An award committee, composed by a member of the **Centro Einaudi**, a member of the **Department of Economics and Statistics "Cognetti de Martiis"** (University of Turin) and a member of the **Department of Economics, Social Studies, Applied Mathematics and Statistics** (University of Turin) will select the papers on the basis of the following evaluation criteria: 1) relevance to the topic; 2) literature review; 3) quality of the methods and the data; 4) originality of the data and the conclusions; 5) understandability. All decisions of the committee are final. Reviewed and formatted versions (rules for authors will be sent to the winners) of the award-winning papers will be then provided by the winners to be published in [Quaderni del Premio "Giorgio Rota"](#), an ISBN working paper online series of the Centro Einaudi.

The *GIORGIO ROTA Best Paper Award* is open to researchers **born after December 31<sup>st</sup>, 1987** who have obtained a university graduate qualification (BA, MA or PhD) in the fields of economics, geography, sociology, political science or other social sciences.

In order to participate to the prize, the corresponding author of each paper should submit **by Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022**, an email to [applications-GR@centroeinaudi.it](mailto:applications-GR@centroeinaudi.it) with the following documents:

- A signed copy of the *GIORGIO ROTA Best Paper Award* [application form](#)
- The scientific paper in electronic format (up to two papers per participant);
- A copy of the document proving the obtained university graduate qualification;
- A copy of an identification document indicating the date of birth;
- A C.V. (either in English or Italian).

Co-authored papers are acceptable on condition that all the authors fulfil the eligibility criteria of the prize and declare – in a document attached to the application form – that they are informed of the award procedure.

Submitted papers need to fulfil the following criteria:

- To be unpublished at the date of the Conference (**May 2022**);
- Not to be under copyright of third parties;
- To be written in English or Italian;

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- To be saved in a single format in editable format (best **.doc/.docx/.rtf**) and in .pdf format with figures and tables also attached either in .jpeg, .png, .tiff, .gif or other graphic format (not in .ppt/.pptx)
- If written in LaTeX the essay must, in case of selection, must be converted in an editable format by July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- The article must be edited in the [specific format](#) of the **Quaderni “Giorgio Rota”**
- Not to exceed 8.000 words (titles, footnotes, figures and tables included);
- To include an abstract of 150-300 words, in English or Italian;
- To include 3-5 key words.

**The selected papers will be announced by Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2022.**

For further information, please contact [applications-GR@centroeinaudi.it](mailto:applications-GR@centroeinaudi.it) / [rota@centroeinaudi.it](mailto:rota@centroeinaudi.it)

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