

# ENI AWARD 2025

## Young Researcher of the Year Prize *Energy and Environment*

### OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Eni is a global energy company operating in a responsible way towards its stakeholders in more than sixty countries along the entire value chain. Eni concretely supports a just energy transition for a net-zero carbon future, with the objective of preserving our planet and promoting an efficient and sustainable access to energy for all, respecting society and world's ecosystems. To this end, the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) determined by the UN represent a target and a guiding reference for managing its business and its activities in all those Countries in which it operates. Along this path, Eni has committed to becoming a leading company in the production and sale of decarbonised energy products and fosters several scientific research projects on renewable energy, hydrogen, CCUS, energy efficiency, energy storage and circular economy.

Eni invests in people and their empowerment, recognizing diversity as a key value for human development. From 2008 Eni has been granting the Eni Award, aimed to promote and reward scientific research and technological innovation in the fields of energy and the environment. Special care will be devoted to applications promoting the use of breakthrough, experimental and innovative technologies, processes and tools, enabling a holistic perspective in research and contributing to the sustainable development goals.

#### 1) Aims

The **Young Researcher of the Year Prize** constitutes one of the six sections of the Eni Award, composed by the *Advanced Environmental Solutions, Energy Transition, Energy Frontiers, Young Talents from Africa Prizes* and *"Eni for Innovation" Recognition*.

The purpose of the *Young Researcher of the Year Prize* is to valorize new generations of researchers and their innovations, aimed to foster a **net-zero carbon** future, **decarbonizing** the energy system, preserving **natural capital** and promoting an efficient and sustainable **access to energy**, according to SDGs.

#### 2) Object of the Prizes and Eligibility criteria

The Prizes are awarded to two PhD research theses, defended in Italian universities, concerning topics promoted by Eni Award, related to energy and environment, such as: carbon capture, utilization and storage; energy efficiency; renewable energies; energy storage; energy management; green chemistry; nature-based solutions; natural resources preservation and sustainable use; biodiversity protection; ecosystem restoration; environmental remediation.

The theses must have been defended at an Italian university during the same year of the annual Official Announcement (2024), or in the precedent year (2023). In order to be eligible, the Candidate shall defend her/his thesis by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024<sup>1</sup>.

The Prize is awarded to researchers born in or after the year 1992.

### 3) The Prizes

Each of the two winners will be awarded with a prize consisting in: i) a customized plaque, ii) an indivisible sum of €25,000 (Twenty-five thousand Euros) and iii) direct provision by Eni of a) travel tickets roundtrip, b) transfers and c) board and lodging expenses for up to 2 overnight stays, for the winners and maximum one accompanying person in order to participate to the Prize-Giving Ceremony.

The Prize will be assigned to the winning Candidates, proclaimed by the Organizing Committee within July 2025.

An Official Prize-Giving Ceremony to award the winning Candidate will be held in Italy tentatively during the second semester of the year following the publication of the Official Announcement.

### 4) Application procedures and deadlines

Applications for the *Young Researcher of the Year* shall be guaranteed by Professors, Directors of Department or Institute, Faculty Deans, Chancellors of universities, polytechnic universities or research centers operating in Italy in the specific – or similar – fields for which the Prize is awarded. Please note that the Guarantor can be a person different than the Thesis Tutor.

Applications without the above-mentioned guarantee will not be considered.

The same Candidature may be re-submitted if is still eligible according to the requirements provided by art.2.

The deadline for the presentation of the Candidatures to the *Young Researcher of the Year* Prize falls on **November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**.

In order to submit application, the Candidate shall also declare that she/he has read and is aware of the "Eni Code of Ethics" and of the "Anti-Corruption Management System Guideline" adopted by Eni, available on the website [www.eni.com](http://www.eni.com) (Governance section), and that she/he shares the principles contained therein and undertakes to ensure full compliance with them.

The Candidature application forms are available on the website: <https://www.eni.com/en-IT/innovation-technologies/eni-award.html> and shall either be uploaded on the Eni Award Candidates private area or be sent to the Eni Award Scientific Secretariat by e-mail to the following address: [eniaward@feem.it](mailto:eniaward@feem.it). The access to the private area must be requested to the Secretariat that will provide an account for the procedure and the editable forms as well. Hereby the list of documents requested for the application:

1. The **Application Form** reporting a short summary of the PhD thesis and of the results obtained. A during the PhD Thesis. The Application Form includes also a dedicated section to the Guarantor that shall be complied by the Guarantor herself/himself.

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<sup>1</sup> If the date of the thesis defense is fixed after the deadline established by the Official Announcement but no later than December 31<sup>st</sup> 2024, the Candidature is admitted and the provision of the related Certificate by the Candidate is mandatory

2. The **CV Form** including also an optional list of the publications in the dedicated chapter.
3. A **copy of the Thesis in .pdf format**. Please note that in the aforementioned Application Form the Candidate shall indicate if the thesis has been placed on restricted access.
4. A **short presentation of maximum two (2) slides** describing the main aspects and applications of her/his research.
5. Furthermore, the Candidate can also provide a **self-made video** of no more than 3 minutes to better describe her/his work in the following formats: .MOV, .MPEG4, .AVI, .FLV. The submission of the aforementioned video is strongly recommended, even if it is not mandatory.
6. Following the safe receipt of all the application's documents, a file named **Summary of the Candidature Proposal**, containing the main data of the Candidature, will be provided to each Candidate. The aforesaid file must be duly checked and signed by the Candidate as well as by her/his Guarantor and sent by email to the same aforementioned address ([eniaward@feem.it](mailto:eniaward@feem.it)) to the Eni Award Scientific Secretariat before and no later than the deadline defined by this Official Announcement.

Please note that, after the first upload of the application material on the Candidates private area of the Eni Award platform, any new version of the Candidature documents shall be sent by e-mail to the Eni Award Scientific Secretariat, which will update the application material onto the platform.

The formal confirmation of the acceptance of the Candidature will be sent by email by the Secretariat after the receipt of the properly **signed Summary of the Candidature Proposal**, as provided by art. 4.6.

Please finally note that Eni Award Scientific Secretariat and the Eni Award Scientific Commission are subject to a duty of Confidentiality with regards to any documents and data submitted by the Candidate.

## 5) Selection of the Candidatures

The Eni Award Scientific Commission shall examine and select the work of the Candidates that have been accepted and shall present the names of the chosen winners of the *Young Researcher of the Year Prize* to the Eni Award Organizing Committee by May 2025.

## 6) Regulations

The Eni Award and this Official Announcement are submitted to the Eni Award Regulations, approved by the Organizing Committee. The text is available on the website: <https://www.eni.com/en-IT/innovation-technologies/eni-award.html>.

## 7) Contact details

The Eni Award Scientific Secretariat is located at:

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## PRIVACY NOTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH EU REGULATION 2016/679

Pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data ("**GDPR**"), Eni S.p.A. provides you ("**Candidate**") with the following information about the processing of your personal data carried out in relation to (i) the participation in the initiative called "**Premio Eni Award**" ("**Initiative**"), organized and financed by Eni S.p.A.; (ii) the procedure carried out after the potential winning of the awards provided by the Initiative.

[This privacy notice also concerns the processing of personal data of the "Guarantors" (as defined in the Eni Award notice of competition), which will be communicated to Eni S.p.A. by the Candidates during the application procedure to the Initiative, limited in relation to the awards "Young Researcher of the Year" and "Young Talents from Africa".]

### 1. Data controller

The data controller is Eni S.p.A. with registered office in Rome, Piazzale Enrico Mattei, 1, 00144 ("**Controller**" or "**Company**").

### 2. Data protection officer

The Company has appointed a data protection officer ("**DPO**") which can be contacted at the following e-mail address: dpo@eni.com.

### 3. Categories of personal data

The Controller will process the following Data Subject's personal data ("**Personal Data**"):

- name (data processed also with reference to the Guarantors);
- surname (data processed also with reference to the Guarantors);
- curriculum vitae;
- e-mail address (data processed also with reference to the Guarantors);
- identification documents (data processed only if the Candidate is selected as winner);
- video presentation of the Candidate (data processed only with reference to the "Young Researcher of the Year" and "Young Talents from Africa" awards);
- phone number (data processed only if the Candidate is selected as winner);
- biography (data processed only if the Candidate is selected as winner);
- photographs (data processed only if the Candidate is selected as winner);
- payment data (data processed only if the Candidate is selected as winner);
- tax certificates (data processed only if the Candidate is selected as winner);
- master's degree certificate; English language certificate; PhD enrollment certificate (data processed only with reference to the "Young Talents from Africa" award).

### 4. Purposes of personal data processing

*a. Processing based on legal obligations which the Controller is subject to*

Personal Data will be processed:

- for the compliance with legal obligations related to the Candidates' participation in the Initiative and in the procedure following the potential winning of the awards provided by the Initiative;
- for accomplishing a request addressed by the competent administrative or judicial authority;

The processing of Personal Data for the aforementioned purposes is based on (i) the laws applicable to the Initiative and any situations related to it; (ii) requests addressed by public authorities (article 6, paragraph 1, letter c) GDPR).

This processing is necessary in relation to the participation in the Initiative as well as to the procedure carried out after the potential winning of the awards provided by the Initiative.

*b. Processing based on the execution of the Initiative's competition notice*

Personal Data will be processed for:

- the economic and administrative management of the Candidates' participation in the Initiative as well as in the procedure following the potential winning of the awards provided by the Initiative.
- sending communications regarding the Candidates' participation in the Initiative and in the procedure following the potential winning of the awards provided by the Initiative (processing limited to Candidates' personal data).

The processing of Personal Data for the aforementioned purposes is based on the execution of the Initiative's competition notice (article 6, paragraph 1, letter b) GDPR).

This processing is necessary in relation to the participation in the Initiative as well as to the procedure carried out after the potential winning of the awards provided by the Initiative.

*c. Processing based on the Controller's legitimate interest*

Personal Data will be processed:

- for carrying out internal audits;
- in case of non-recurring mergers, sales or transfers of business units, in order to allow the necessary due diligence activities; Personal Data will be processed in aggregate/anonymous form as much as possible;
- in order to ascertain, exercise or defend Controller's (or Eni Group companies') rights in court.

The processing of Personal Data for the aforementioned purposes is based on the Controller's legitimate interest (art. 6, par. 1, lett. f) GDPR) to (i) verify and ensure the compliance of the Company's actions with applicable regulations and policies; (ii) perform business activities; (iii) defend its rights.

*d. Processing based on Data Subject's consent*

With reference to the "video presentation of the Candidate" and the "photographs" listed at paragraph 3, the processing will be performed for the administrative management of the Candidates' participation in the Initiative and in the procedure following the potential winning of the awards provided by the Initiative, prior Candidate's consent (article 6, paragraph 1, letter a), GDPR – processing limited to Candidates' personal data).

## **5. Processing methods**

Personal Data will be processed with automated and/or manual means by the Controller's personnel, who has been specifically instructed on the methods and purposes of processing.

## **6. Recipients of personal data**

Personal Data may be communicated to third parties listed below:

- public authorities;
- Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei;
- Eni Group's companies;
- third-party service providers;
- press.

With reference to the communication of Personal Data, such recipients may operate, as appropriate, as data processors (and in this case they will receive appropriate instructions from the Controller) or as independent data controllers. The communication of Personal Data will

include only such data which is necessary for the pursuit of data processing purposes described at paragraph 4.

### **7. Personal data transfer outside the European Economic Area (EEA)**

Should it is necessary for the pursuit of the purposes described at article 4, Personal Data may be transferred outside the EEA. Whenever Personal Data is transferred outside the EEA and, in particular, to States that are not issued by an adequacy decision of the European Commission, the transfer will take place exclusively (i) by signing of the standard contractual clauses adopted by the European Commission and the adoption of any further technical and organizational measures to ensure a protection level of personal data equal to the one guaranteed within the EEA or (ii) in the presence of one of the conditions referred to in art. 49 GDPR.

### **8. Data Retention**

Personal Data will be stored into the Controller's paper and/or digital archives and protected by appropriate security measures for a period of time not exceeding what is necessary for the pursuit of the purposes for which Personal Data were collected and then they will be deleted. In any case, Personal Data may be stored for a later period in the event of any litigation, requests from the competent authorities or where this is provided for in accordance with applicable law.

### **9. Data Subject's rights**

Candidates and Guarantors, as data subjects, are granted the following rights as set out by article 15 and following of GDPR:

- a) right to access,
- b) right to rectification;
- c) right to erasure;
- d) right to restriction of processing;
- e) right to data portability;
- f) right to object;
- g) right to withdraw the consent.

Data Subject may exercise those rights by sending an e-mail to the DPO (dpo@eni.com). Without prejudice to any other administrative or judicial recourse, data subjects may also lodge a complaint with the competent supervisory authority in case of a violation of GDPR by the Controller.