

Rome, June 09th, 2025

Dear Colleague,

Since 2001, the Sapienza Foundation together with the Department of Physics at the Sapienza University of Rome established two awards: the **Felice Pietro Chisesi and Caterina Tomassoni Prize** and the **Caterina Tomassoni and Felice Pietro Chisesi Prize**, to commemorate and honor two distinguished persons whose legacy has permitted the establishment of these awards. The awards recognize outstanding achievements in theory, experiment, or both, in any branch of Physics. There are no restrictions on the nationality and the affiliation of the awardees.

Previous awardees are:

Felice Pietro Chisesi and Caterina Tomassoni Prize

Serge Haroche (2001), Pierre Encrenaz (2003), Till Kirsten (2004), Igor Novikov (2005), Wolfgang Götze (2006), Edward Lorenz (2008), Gabriele Veneziano (2009), Massimo Inguscio (2010), Paul Richards (2011), Alain Aspect (2013), Igor Klebanov (2014), Charles Bennet (2015), Adalberto Giazotto (2016), Fabiola Giannotti (2017), Philip Kim (2018), Giulia Galli (2019), Jo Dunkley (2020), Michele Vendruscolo (2021), David Benjamin Kaplan (2023).

Caterina Tomassoni and Felice Pietro Chisesi Prize

Ignazio Ciufolini (2001), Elisa Randall (2003), Federico Capasso (2004), Piero Zucchelli (2005), Savas Dimopoulos (2006), Gerald Gabrielse (2008), Thomas W. Ebbesen (2009), A. Zunger (2010), Herbert Spohn (2011), Scott Aaronson (2018), Alexander Szameit (2019), Karoline Schaeffner (2020), Zohar Komargodski (2021).

This letter is a call for nominations for the 2024 awards **Caterina Tomassoni and Felice Pietro Chisesi Prize** and the **Felice Pietro Chisesi and Caterina Tomassoni Prize**.

Each of these awards consists of a monetary prize of € 40.000, a medal of the *Schola Physica Romana*, and an invitation to deliver the prize Lecture at the Sapienza University of Rome on 18th March, 2026.

The **Caterina Tomassoni and Felice Pietro Chisesi Prize** is reserved to scientists that are up to forty years of age, i.e. born in 1985 or later (in the presence of maternity leave, the age limit will be increased accordingly). Please take into account this age limit when making a nomination for this award.

Starting from the year 2021, in the case of the **Felice Pietro Chisesi and Caterina Tomassoni Prize**, reserved for scientists over the age of forty, in the event of equal value, priority will be given to younger candidates and to those who were not already awarded other prestigious awards.

A nomination should consist of a letter typically one page long, which illustrates the specific nominee's achievements to be considered. A biographical sketch and a list of the most important publications of the nominee would be highly appreciated. All existing nominations are valid for three years. However, a new nomination that mentions additional work and its impact will strengthen the nomination.

Each prize is indivisible, unless it concerns a discovery or scientific research to which two or more people have collectively contributed.

The deadline for nomination is July 31st, 2025, and the award winner will be notified by December 31st, 2025.

The nominations should be sent by e-mail to the following address:
tomassoniprize.fisica@uniroma1.it.

Sincerely yours,



(Giorgio Parisi)

Chair Tomassoni Awards Committee