



## Fondazione Internazionale Balzan - "Premio"

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Sir / Madam,

In regard to the attached letter from the Chairman of the Balzan Foundation's General Prize Committee, Professor Salvatore Veca, we should be grateful if you would kindly forward supporting statements for each candidate you deem worthy of an award. In order to be valid, the nominations must be supported by the following documents:

- a statement of reasons for the nomination, including mention of particularly important publications;
- for candidates in the **social sciences** and the **humanities**, a bibliography, including the above-mentioned publications, citing publisher and publication year, and adding translations of original titles should there be works translated into other languages;
- a list of 10 to 20 of their most important publications (with full bibliographical citation) for candidates in the **sciences**;
- a curriculum vitae specifying present position, main academic activities, date and place of birth, nationality, residence and address;
- a recent photograph with indication of copyright if applicable.

It is to be noted that more than one candidate may be nominated for each prize subject. Furthermore, they do not necessarily have to be part of the institution of the individual making the nomination, nor of the same nationality.

Personal applications will not be considered.

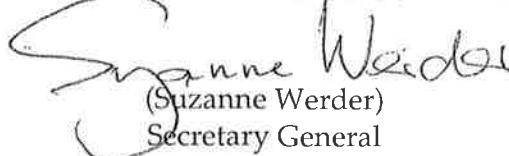
Nominations must reach the General Prize Committee by March 15, 2015.

All of the above documentation should be addressed to the

Chairman of the General Prize Committee  
Professor Salvatore Veca  
Attention: Secretariat of the  
International Balzan Foundation "Prize"  
P.tta U. Giordano, 4  
I-20122 Milano, Italia

Yours faithfully,

International Balzan Foundation "Prize"

  
(Suzanne Werder)  
Secretary General



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As Chairman of the General Prize Committee of the International Balzan Foundation "Prize" and on behalf of my colleagues on the Committee, I have the honour of inviting you to submit the names of candidates for the

### 2015 Balzan Prizes

which will be awarded in the following subjects:

**History of European Art (1300-1700)**

**Economic History**

**Oceanography**

**Astroparticle Physics including neutrino and gamma-ray observation**

Each of the four Balzan Prizes is worth 750,000 Swiss francs.

Half the Prize sum will be awarded to the Prizewinner in recognition of his/her work, while the other half will later be earmarked by the Prizewinner for research projects involving young researchers or research groups. The research proposal will be subject to the approval of the General Prize Committee.

Careful consideration will be given to all nominations.  
The nominations will be treated confidentially.

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**Salvatore Veca**

*Chairman; Professor of Political Philosophy  
at the Institute for Advanced Study (IUSS), Pavia*

**ENRIC BANDA**

Research Professor of Geophysics at the Institute of Earth Sciences in Barcelona, Spanish Council for Scientific Research (CSIC); former Secretary General of the European Science Foundation, Strasbourg; Member of the Academia Europaea and of the Barcelona Royal Academy of Sciences and Arts

**ÉTIENNE GHYS**

Research Director at the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Pure and Applied Mathematics Unit, École Normale Supérieure de Lyon; Member of the Académie des sciences, Institut de France, Paris

**H. CHARLES J. GODFRAY**

Hope Professor of Zoology at the University of Oxford and Fellow of Jesus College; Fellow of the Royal Society

**BENGT GUSTAFSSON**

Professor Emeritus of Theoretical Astrophysics at the University of Uppsala; Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters, and the Norwegian Academy of Sciences and Letters

**JULES A. HOFFMANN**

Distinguished Class Research Director at the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (Emeritus), Institute of Molecular and Cellular Biology, Strasbourg; Professor at the University of Strasbourg; former President of the Académie des sciences, Institut de France, Paris; 2011 Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine

**LUCIANO MAIANI**

Professor Emeritus of Theoretical Physics at the University of Rome "La Sapienza"; Fellow of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, Rome, and of the American Physical Society

**THOMAS MAISSEN**

Director of the German Historical Institute in Paris; Chair of Early Modern History at the University of Heidelberg; Member of the Heidelberger Akademie der Wissenschaften

**PAOLO MATTHIAE**

Professor Emeritus of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East at the University of Rome "La Sapienza"; Fellow of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, Rome

**ERWIN NEHER**

Professor Emeritus, Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry, Göttingen; Member of the Academia Europaea; Foreign Associate of the US National Academy of Sciences and of the Royal Society, London; 1991 Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine

**ANTONIO PADOA SCHIOPPA**

Professor Emeritus of Legal History at the University of Milan; former President of the Istituto Lombardo, Academy of Sciences and the Humanities, Milan; Corresponding Foreign Fellow of the Académie des inscriptions et belles-lettres, Institut de France, Paris

**DOMINIQUE SCHNAPPER**

Research Director at the École des hautes études en sciences sociales (EHESS), Paris; Honorary Member of the French Conseil Constitutionnel; Foreign Fellow of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, Rome

**GOTTFRIED SCHOLZ**

Professor Emeritus of Music Analysis at the University of Music and Performing Arts, Vienna; Fellow of the Sudetendeutsche Akademie der Wissenschaften und Künste, Munich

**MARJAN SCHWEGMAN**

Director of the Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies (NIOD), Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, Amsterdam; Professor of Political and Cultural History of the Twentieth Century, Utrecht University

**QUENTIN SKINNER**

Barber Beaumont Professor of the Humanities, Queen Mary, University of London; Fellow of the British Academy and of Christ's College Cambridge; Foreign Fellow of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, Rome

**VICTOR STOICHITA**

Chair of Modern Art History at the University of Fribourg, Switzerland; Visiting Professor at the Istituto di studi italiani, University of Lugano; Foreign Fellow of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, Rome

**PETER SUTER**

Honorary Professor at the University of Geneva; former President of the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences

**MARC VAN MONTAGU**

Professor Emeritus of Molecular Genetics at Ghent University; Chairman of the Institute of Plant Biotechnology Outreach (IPBO), Ghent

**CARLO WYSS**

Former Director for Accelerators at CERN. Expert in the design of superconducting acceleration cavities and magnets, for series manufacture by industry