TURIN HUMANITIES PROGRAMME
1st CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2020

“Enlightenment legacy: the rights of man in a global perspective (2021-2023)”

INTRODUCTION

Fondazione 1563 per l’Arte e la Cultura della Compagnia di San Paolo has since 2013 supported research and advanced training in the field of the humanities. In a wider effort to pursue this goal, Fondazione 1563 is now expanding its fellowship programme to historical research in a global perspective. To this end, it has created the Turin Humanities Programme, a research initiative that will allow junior scholars to work on interrelated research projects under the guidance of especially appointed senior scholars.

SUBJECT OF THE CALL

The Scientific Committee of the THP and Fondazione 1563 have decided to devote the first research cycle of the THP (2021-2023) to the investigation of the Enlightenment legacy: the rights of man in a global perspective. Fondazione 1563 is pleased to launch the first call for applications to award 4 two-year fellowships for advanced studies on this topic.

The 2020 call for applications is available online under THP/Call for applications/THP–2020.

For information and questions please email: info@fondazione1563.it
Applicants are invited to submit research projects of a maximum of 3000 words, plus bibliography. Projects are expected to engage with one or more aspects of the general research framework of *Enlightenment legacy: the rights of man in a global perspective*. Details of the research framework can be found [here](#).

The Director of Studies for this programme (2021-2023) will be [Vincenzo Ferrone](#), Professor of Modern History in the Department of Historical Studies at the University of Turin, Italy.

Proposals are expected to focus on the worldwide legacy of Enlightenment in the field of the rights of man, especially but not exclusively in the nineteenth century, as described in the research framework. Proposals should also contain an illustration of the different project phases, the relevant sources and methodologies and the expected outcomes, which will be considered an integral part of the project itself.

Successful candidates will carry out their individual research projects under the supervision of the Director of Studies. They will also collaborate in the organization of activities such as seminars, conferences, lectures and summer schools, during which they will be invited to share their research projects with a larger community of academics as well as students and the general public.

**ELIGIBLE APPLICATIONS**

The call is open to applicants holding a doctorate in History or in any Humanities discipline. They must be fluent in English, both spoken and written. English will be the default language of THP.

Applicants should normally be within 7 years of the award of their PhD.

There are no nationality requirements.

Fondazione 1563 encourages applications from scholars of all backgrounds. We welcome diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive work environment.
FELLOWSHIP GRANTS

Each of the 4 Fellowships consists of an annual grant of € 25,000 (before taxes). The grant will last two years, starting on September 1, 2021 until August 31, 2023. The total amount awarded to each individual fellow during the two-year fellowship will therefore be € 50,000 (before taxes).

These grants may not be held in conjunction with any other award.

For any further information on the grants please refer to the THP Terms and Conditions of Grant, that can be found here.

HOW TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL

Applications must be submitted online by filling out the form available on the website of Fondazione 1563 at http://www.fondazione1563.it/application-form-thp-2020/ under THP/Call for applications/THP–2020. Applications submitted by other means will not be considered.

For the application instructions please visit the following page.

Applications must be submitted by February 15, 2021 (11.00 PM CET).

In addition to the research proposal, applicants must submit:

- an article-length piece of writing, published or unpublished, that demonstrates innovative thinking (written in English, French, German, Italian, or Spanish).

- the contact information of two scholars familiar with the applicant’s work and willing to act as their referees (one of whom can be their PhD supervisor); only the referees of shortlisted candidates will be contacted by the search committee.
EVALUATION CRITERIA

The Scientific Committee of the THP and the Director of Studies of the first research cycle of the THP will evaluate eligible applications according to the applicant’s qualifications and the quality and feasibility of the research project proposed.

The committee will make its decisions on the basis of a comprehensive evaluation of the dossiers.

The research proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria (in no particular order):

1) coherence with the call and the research framework;
2) originality, quality and scientific relevance of the research proposal;
3) clarity of the research questions, methods and expected outcomes;
4) contribution to the advancement of knowledge;
5) appropriate planning in terms of research and implementation.

Applicants shortlisted after the first selection will be contacted by email in order to arrange online interviews that will focus on the research proposal and the applicant’s curriculum. The interviews will be held in English and will take place remotely in late February/early March 2021.

Once the interview has been scheduled, it will not be possible to reschedule it.

Candidates who do not attend the interview will be deemed to have withdrawn.

HOW THE FELLOWSHIPS ARE AWARDED

The fellowships will be awarded by the Scientific Committee of the THP, by the Director of Studies of the first research cycle of the THP and with the approval of the Board of Directors of Fondazione 1563.

Successful applicants will be notified in writing via email and will be required to fill out and return the fellowship acceptance form, accepting the terms contained therein, within 7 working days from the notification. Candidates who do not return this form will be deemed to have withdrawn.