

TALKING SCIENCE... IN 3 MINUTES FAMELAB 2022

Are you a scientist, a researcher or a University student and a fan of science dissemination? FameLab is looking for you!

For the tenth year **Trieste** hosts the **local selection of FameLab Italia**, the international competition challenging young scientists with the talent of communication to tell in **just 3 minutes** the object of his or her study, or a scientific topic they are interested in.

The selection will take place on the morning of **Wednesday**, **May 11**, **2022**, at **Sala Luttazzi of Magazzino 26** (Old Port).

Contestants, aged between 18 and 40 years, can be undergraduate, graduate, doctoral or work in science, medicine or engineering. They can be of any nationality (presentations can also be made in English). Those who work in the field of scientific communication or promotion cannot participate.

They are challenged to explain a scientific topic in a clear, engaging and understandable way, even to an audience of non-experts. No projections, graphics or videos: at their disposal they will only have 3 minutes and a handful of words, and their communicative talent, to convince the jury and convey the fascination of scientific research.

Entries are due by May 3, 2022, via online form: https://bit.ly/famelab2022-ts

The first two winners in each local selection will receive a **cash prize**, access to a **Science Communication Masterclass**, which will take place in Perugia in June, and then to the **National Final Competition**, scheduled for late September during the European Researchers' Night.

The winner of FameLab Italy 2022 will have access to **FameLab International**, scheduled in Autumn, where they will face other competitors from over 25 countries around the world.

Preparatory meetings

To help aspiring contestants prepare their presentations in the best possible way, **training sessions** will be organized for all interested researchers who meet the requirements for registration.

The meetings, free of charge, will offer some useful advice on how to choose and organize the contents of a presentation, on ways to capture and maintain the attention of the audience and on the basic concepts of theatricality.

Please note the training sessions will be held in Italian.

For more information and to register for the training sessions: info@immaginarioscientifico.it

FAMELAB: USER'S MANUAL

Requirements for participation

- 1. Be part of one of the following categories on April 20th, 2022:
 - Researchers or fellows in scientific, medical or engineering fields, in public or private research institution
 - Master's Degree Graduates in scientific, medical or engineering fields, having a proven work relationship in R&D with an institution or a public or private company.
 - PhD students, postgraduate students, specialisation school students, students with a Bachelor's Degree or attending at least the 1st year of a Master's Degree. The degrees or fields of study must be scientific, medical or engineering, in public or private institutions.
- 2. Be born between January 1st 1982 and December 31st 2000
- 3. Have not joined the National Final event (i.e Masterclass or a National Final) in previous FameLab editions, in Italy or in any other country.
- 4. Must not work professionally in the field of Communication or Science Communication.

Candidates can be of any nationality (presentations can be held in English).

How to apply

In order to enter the competition you have to fill in the online application form: https://bit.ly/famelab2022-ts The deadline for applications for the Trieste selection is set on May 3rd 2022.

Local selection (Trieste, Wednesday May 11th 2022)

Where: Sala Luttazzi – Magazzino 26 of the Old Port

When: 9 am-1 pm.

During local selections participants will have 3 minutes to impress the jury. FameLab is scouting for captivating presentations that can be easily grasped by the general public. Candidates may use materials of small size that do not require a set-up time. Projections, slideshows or images are not allowed.

Two different presentations are required, lasting 3 minutes each: the first one will be performed in the preselection phase, and the second one, for those who are admitted, in the final one.

At the end of the competition the jury will announce a first and a second place winner: both will be admitted to the National competition.

FameLab Masterclass (Perugia, June 2022)

First and second place winners of all local selections will have the opportunity to participate in the FameLab Masterclass, a 2-3 days training event where professional science communicators will help participants to further develop their communication skills, in order to better prepare their presentations for the National Final event.

The National Final (September 2022)

At the National Final event the winners of all local selections will compete. At the end of the competition, the jury will decide the winner of FameLab Italy 2021, who will participate in <u>FameLab International</u> in Cheltenham (UK).

Prizes for the Trieste selection

- First place winner: € 400,00, admission to FameLab Masterclass, admission to the National Final, admission as an auditor to a course of the <u>Master in Science Communication "Franco Prattico"</u> (SISSA, Trieste).
- Second place winner: € 200,00, admission to FameLab Masterclass and National Final.