The Economy of Francesco Fellowship Program is open to PhD students and postdoctoral researchers in economics, social sciences, or related scientific fields, from all countries.

ART. 1 - RESEARCH GRANTS

1. The Economy of Francesco (EoF) aims to support young economists who are committed to or are aspiring to an academic career embracing the values of EoF, to achieve the necessary scientific background. While the competition is open to all in this field, the EoF Academy welcomes applications from appropriately qualified candidates who strengthen EoF’s interests. We seek to foster interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary research and the practical engagement of the academia. Particularly, we welcome applications from researchers working in the following fields: applied economics; behavioral and experimental economics; business ethics; economic, environmental, and social sustainability; economic history; feminist economics; Franciscan economic thought; management; philosophy and economics; social sciences.

Eight small Research fellowships, and five non-stipendiary Research positions for 2023/2024 will be granted to achieve this goal. The estimated duration of the fellowship is from April 2023 to April 2024.

Each scholarship amounts to Euro 5,000, gross of the tax charges required by locally applicable tax laws. The scholarship is compatible with other income or grants. The research grant is subject to verification by the Scientific Committee. At the conclusion of the research, the fellow must have submitted one paper to a peer-reviewed scientific journal.
2. Mandatory prerequisites:

- Candidates are enrolled in a Ph.D. or postdoc program. We may also consider applications from master students, if their profiles are promising.

- The candidate is a good researcher with a track record of publications (e.g., in academic journals or books with good publishers) or show the capability of developing such a record. The candidate is expected to continue publishing in good journals. Quality of papers is more important than quantity, but one paper under review at the end of the period covered by the grant is considered a minimum goal.

ART. 2 – APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

Candidates should submit their applications by filling up the following online form:

APPLICATION FORM - EoF Academy 2023/2024 (click here)

Please read carefully and follow all indications (incomplete application forms will not be considered):

a. (ATTACHMENT) an updated curriculum vitae, including a list of any other document, scientific publication, background information or research experience that the candidate deems appropriate to help contextualize his/her application in relation to the research topic;

b. a self-declaration stating if the candidate is occupying a stipendiary or non-stipendiary position;

c. a motivational statement contextualizing personal objectives, qualifications and career goals, no longer than 200 words;

d. (ATTACHMENT) a research proposal for which the application for the grant is submitted, outlining specific research interests, no longer than 500 words (Abstract; Keywords; Introduction; Methodology; Expected Results; Conclusion; Reference List). The project must be original; if the project is part of a broader research line, its specific objectives must be clearly stated and defined in the proposal;

furthermore:

e. a letter of recommendation addressed and sent directly to the EoF Academy Scientific Board (scientificboard@francescoeconomy.org) by the signatory of the letter of recommendation (supervisor or scholars). NB: .pdf, .doc, .docx, .odt files accepted; max size 512kb

The application form will be available from February 16th to March 31st at 12.00 AM (UTC+1). All applications arriving before the deadline will be evaluated by the Scientific Committee. Failure to submit all required documentation by the deadline will result in the application being invalid.
ART. 3 - EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS AND SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

Each application will be examined and considered by the EoF Academy Scientific Committee. The evaluation will be based on the candidate’s scientific production, the proposed research project, its potential to advance existing literature and its consistency with the inspiring principles of EoF. The Scientific Committee may schedule interviews if further information is required.

Candidates will receive a communication on the outcome of their application via email by April 17th. Only selected candidates will be notified.

ART. 4 - METHOD OF DELIVERY OF RESEARCH GRANTS

The grant disbursement procedure will be communicated directly to the selected EoF fellows.

Recipients of the EoF scholarship will be required to:

- contribute to the activities of the EoF Academy, the international network of scholars formed with the aim of conducting and promoting scientific research on issues relating to the Economy of Francesco;
- attend and actively contribute to the Research Fellowship Program scheduled for the year 2023/2024 by the EoF Scientific Committee;
- participate and contribute to the EoF Community life more generally.

The EoF Scientific Committee will plan two specific sessions:

1) one online introductory session for these scholars to effectively welcome them into the EoF Academy;
2) one in presence annual meeting.

For further details, please write to: scientificboard@francescoeconomy.org