

INTERNATIONAL PRESS AWARD XV COMPETITION 2023

1. Purpose and thematic area

The Mare Nostrum Awards international journalistic prize, announced by the Grimaldi Magazine Mare Nostrum, reaches its 15th edition in 2023. On the occasion of this significant milestone, it has decided to introduce some innovations that fit in with tradition but adapt to the evolution of the global shipping context and, at the same time, to the environmental sensitivity that inspires all the actions of the Grimaldi Group.

As from this year, the Award will thus expand its cultural aims and the related thematic range of the works considered. The papers considered will be the ones which:

- will promote awareness of the Motorways of the Sea, a valid environmentally sustainable alternative to road transport of goods;
- 2) will focus on the promotion and enhancement of maritime transport in the Mediterranean for tourism purposes;
- 3) will highlight the health benefits of the marine ecosystem generated by maritime entrepreneurship.

The works in competition will therefore be able to treat the advantages offered by maritime connections, carried out with modern, safe and fast ships, from an economic, tourist, environmental and social point of view.

2. Requirements for participation

Professional journalists and publicists, photographers, videomakers and authors in general who will have dealt with the topics described in the thematic area, between **15 October 2022** and **15 April 2023** can participate in the Award. Participation in the competition is open to authors residing in Europe, Tunisia and Morocco, who will be able to present their works in Italian, English, Spanish, Catalan, French or Greek. The prizes will be awarded to journalistic services, documentaries, television or radio services, photographic reports, as well as economic-tourist surveys judged by the Jury coinciding with the aims of the Award.

3. Media

The works disclosed in the languages indicated above will be admitted to the competition through:

- national newspapers and periodicals (including online);
- nationally distributed publications and online transport publications and tourism;
- · documentary and environmental portals;
- press agencies;
- national and local radio and/or television broadcasters;
- photography magazines and photographic exhibitions;
- · travel and tourism blog.

4. How to participate

Participation in the Award is free but is not allowed to employees or collaborators of companies of the Grimaldi Group. Participants must send their documents, with a signed cover letter, to the Organizing Secretariat of the Award (Segreteria Organizzativa del

Premio), both in digital format (Word file) and original version, by e-mail to *mna@grimaldi.napoli.it*, **by 30 April 2023**.

5. Hospitality to competitors

To facilitate the acquisition of information and direct experience, useful for the elaboration of their works, authors interested in participating in the Mare Nostrum Awards will be offered a round trip on board one of the ships operating with the Grimaldi Lines, Minoan Lines and Trasmed GLE brands and in service between Italy, Spain and Greece. The trip must take place between 30 September 2022 and 31 March 2023, upon request for availability to the Organizing Secretariat of the Award.

6. Awards

The prize money is € 50,000 net divided into five awards of € 10,000 net each. In exceptional cases, the number of awards could increase (no more than eight), always respecting the limits of the prize pool in competition.

The prizes will be defined and awarded according to the unquestionable judgment of the Jury.

7. The Jury

The International Award Jury (Giuria Internazionale del Premio), chaired by journalist Bruno Vespa, is made up of eminent personalities from the world of culture and journalism. Secretary of the Jury is Sergio Luciano, director of the Grimaldi Magazine Mare Nostrum. The decisions of the Jury are final and unappealable. The reasons for the award will be illustrated during the Award Ceremony.

8. Award ceremony

The Award Ceremony will take place in a place and date to be defined, with the commitment of the members of the Jury and the winners to personally attend the event. All information necessary for participation in the event will be promptly communicated to the winners.

9. Reservations

The Grimaldi Magazine Mare Nostrum reserves the right to publish the works of the winners. All participants, therefore, allow to use and publish the articles or services sent or part of them, maintaining the right to be mentioned as authors. The Organizing Secretariat of the Award reserves the right to request an original copy of the entries in the competition.

10. Organizing Secretariat of the Award

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The Secretary (Sergio Luciano)

