

Francesco Mansutti Graduation Prize – 2026 Edition

Having regard to the Resolution of the Executive Committee of 8 July 2026,

Luiss Guido Carli, in cooperation with the **Francesco Mansutti Association**, announces a competition for the awarding of two graduation prizes, **for a total amount of €4,000.00**, reserved for graduates of Bachelor's, Master's or Single-Cycle Master's degree programmes at Luiss Guido Carli who completed their studies within the normal duration of the programme (*in corso*) in the period from 1 August 2025 to 31 July 2026, having defended a thesis on topics related to the agricultural/food industry in the economic, legal or taxation fields, and having achieved a final grade of no less than 105/110.

Particular attention will be paid to theses concerning the grain and animal feed sector and/or family businesses operating in the aforementioned industry, with a focus on key strategies for growth and consolidation in the reference market. For Master's graduates, priority will be given to experimental theses.

A brilliant Luiss Master's graduate in Administration, Finance and Control, Francesco began his career in his family's food sector business, which specialised in grain and animal feed production. He was fully aware that sustainability and innovation represent the core challenges for new generations of entrepreneurs seeking to respond to external market stimuli and ensure business continuity, including after a natural generational transition. The graduation prizes are funded by the Francesco Mansutti Association to honour his memory and to continue his legacy in the fields to which he dedicated his life.

The Prizes will be awarded according to the following allocation:

- one prize, worth €3,000.00, for Master's or Single-Cycle Master's graduates;
- one prize, worth €1,000.00, for Bachelor's graduates.

Applications to participate in this competition must be submitted by no later **than 12:00 noon (Italian time) on 10 September 2026** via the online form available at:

<https://www.luiss.it/en/orientation-and-admissions/incentives-and-support/graduation-awards>

Applications must be accompanied by a copy of the degree thesis and its summary, as well as a detailed curriculum vitae and a motivational letter in which the candidate outlines the reasons for choosing their thesis topic.



The applications will be examined by a dedicated Commission, which will award the prizes at its sole and unappealable discretion. The Commission will consist of one Luiss Guido Carli faculty member designated by the University and two representatives of the Francesco Mansutti Association.

The Commission will award the prizes based on the following criteria and scores:

- 1) Quality of the thesis – maximum 70 points
- 2) Curriculum vitae and motivational letter – maximum 30 points

The Commission, at its sole and unappealable discretion, will draw up the final ranking list by assigning each candidate a score representing the sum of the points mentioned above.

The Commission reserves the right not to award one or both prizes if no suitable applications are received.

The award ceremony will take place at Luiss Guido Carli in October 2026.

Rome, 16 July 2026

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