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**The 3rd Edition of the Biennial award
 of Fondazione G. Fedrigoni ISTOCARTA speaks Spanish**



On occasion of the 33rd International Conference on Paper Historians held in Valencia from 20th to 24th September 2016, the Fondazione Gianfranco Fedrigoni, *Istituto Europeo di Storia della carta e delle Scienze Cartarie* (ISTOCARTA), has announced the opening of the **3rd edition of the biennial award** promoted by Fondazione G. Fedrigoni ISTOCARTA, which from this year has become **“international”** and **“itinerant”**. The first ‘stage’ will be held in **Spain**. The award, to be shared amongst the principal Spanish universities, as well as amongst the most important archives and libraries, is devoted to the author of the unedited monograph of particular worth, on the history of paper and related disciplines, relating to *Eastern and Western paper in Spain*. The event is open to scholars, research-workers, graduating students and graduates as well, with no ban placed on age limits, including regular residents in Spain. The award to be assigned to the winner by Fondazione G. Fedrigoni ISTOCARTA will consist in a sum of Euros 5.000,00 (five thousand/00).

Application to take part in the event, and personal details relating to the applicant (for further information consult website www.istocarta.it), should be sent to Fondazione G. Fedrigoni

ISTOCARTA, viale Pietro Miliani 31/33, 60044 Fabriano (Italy), not later than **30th November 2016**.

The first two editions of the award were held in Italy. Despite the specific topic handled, there was a numerous turnout, confirmation that there is interest in the paper sector. Winner of the first edition of the award in 2012, was Emilio Macchia – graduate in “Communication and design for the publishing industry” at ISIA (Istituto Superiore per le Industrie Artistiche) of Urbino and two years later in 2014, Anna Gialdini graduate in Lettere Antiche (Ancient Literature Studies) at the University of Milan and who graduated in Archiving Records, Paleographic studies at the State Archives of Milan. Further to the prize money that both winners received, they were also awarded with a certificate of merit.

In line with the statutory purposes and in order to enhancing international and Italian paper historiography, Fondazione G. Fedrigoni ISTOCARTA has deemed worthy turning this award into an “international” and “itinerant” event, with the aim of sharing the activities of research and study related to the topic of ‘paper’ with countries, other than Italy: a topic which all the more needs to be considered globally, starting from its origins. Hence the award, remaining biennial, will be alternated between Italian and foreign editions.

The poster of this competition, has been sent to all the main Spanish universities, libraries, archives and museums for the purpose of approaching all those who, with their unpublished works in the sector of paper, will open up new horizons, new prospects both in terms of its historical, technical and economic aspects.

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