

## **BITS Travel Grants for the participation to BITS2016 meeting**

The Bioinformatics Italian Society provides young researchers with travel grants for attending its Annual Meeting.

### **Eligibility**

Researchers without a permanent position and submitting an abstract to the conference as first or last author may apply to the BITS2016 Travel Grant program.

### **Evaluation**

Travel Grants will be awarded according to the scores assigned by the Scientific Committee to the submitted abstracts, and only for abstracts with at least 3 as mean score (max=5). Only the best scoring attendee per each research group may be assigned with a travel grant. As a first round of assignment, applications by researchers under 35 years and BITS members will be considered. In case of unassigned grants, a second round will consider all other applications by BITS members. Finally, if grants are still unassigned, a last round will consider applications from non - BITS members having asked to become member. Within each round, in case of same score, priority will be given to researchers that participated in previous BITS meetings and did not receive any BITS Travel Grants.

### **Grants**

Each Travel Grant will be credited to the bank account of selected candidates after the conference, provided that they effectively attended the meeting and presented their scientific contribution, and under presentation of a declaration of sustained costs, with the specific statement that these are not reimbursed by other sources.

The winners will receive a grant amounting to € 300.00 for researchers working in Italy, € 400.00 for researchers working in European countries, € 500.00 for researchers working in extra-European countries. The registration fee to the meeting will be applied according to the rules reported into the registration form. For winners living into Regione Campania, the grant will cover registration fee only.

### **Deadlines**

The deadline for Travel Grant application has been postponed to April 4, 2016. Travel grants will be awarded by May 2, 2016.

### **Information and contacts**

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