Rome, 14 October 2020

Dear President,

the conferment of the “Antonio Feltrinelli” Prizes, established by testamentary disposition of Dr. Antonio Feltrinelli, is one of the most prestigious activities of our Academy: the prizes are of great importance not only for the significant remuneration that is awarded, but mainly for the outstanding achievements of the prize recipients.

To continue our pursuit to honor great accomplishments the submission of numerous valid nominations to our Prize Committee is essential. I therefore kindly ask for your support in identifying worth candidates for the Prizes listed below.

I am pleased to inform you that the 2021 «Antonio Feltrinelli» Prizes, will be awarded in the Physical, Mathematics and Natural Sciences in the following fields:

- one International Prize for Geosciences, in the amount of € 250,000 (gross amount before tax deductions);

- four National Prizes reserved to Italian citizens, in the amount of € 65,000 each (gross amount before tax deductions):
  - one in Mathematics, Mechanics and Applications;
  - one in Astronomy, Geodesy, Geophysics and Applications;
  - one in Physics, Chemistry and Applications;
  - one in Biological Sciences and Applications.

In addition, five National Prizes entitled «Antonio Feltrinelli Giovani» will be awarded in the fields of:

- Mathematics;
- Astronomy;
- Biology;
- Physics;
- Virology.

These national prizes «Antonio Feltrinelli Giovani», in the amount of € 40,000 each (gross amount before tax deductions), will be awarded to Italian scholars - under the age of 40 on 31 October 2020 – for work that represents a significant and original contribution in the respective prize category.
We are aware that in many Universities outside Italy there are remarkable scholars of Italian Nationality and therefore we are confident that you might submit proposals beyond the international prizes.

Nominations may be submitted by the Lincei Fellows and the Presidents of Italian and Foreign Academies.

In view of the difficult moment we are currently facing this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic, an exception will be made regarding the requirements set forth in the bylaws of the Fund. Thereby, the deadline to submit nominations, by e-mail to: ufficio.premi@lincei.it, accompanied by a detailed scientific presentation and relative motivation, has been extended to 30 November 2020.

The «Antonio Feltrinelli» Prizes Regulations are available on the Academia Nazionale dei Lincei website at:


Thank you in advance for your consideration and support.

With best regards,

Giorgio Parisi