

COARA action plan of the Associazione Italiana per la promozione della Scienza Aperta

The only evaluation activity carried out by AISA is that related to the awarding of a <u>prize for theses dedicated to Open Science</u>.

The prize is awarded by a panel of three commissioners appointed by the President in consultation with the Board, whose names are made public. The panel selects the theses relevant to the topic and makes a collegial assessment based on a justified implementation of qualitative criteria clearly stated in the call for applications.

In the spirit of Open Science, in order to participate in the call, theses must be made available in a public institutional or disciplinary repository, i.e. managed by libraries, universities and research institutions, under an open license. We recommend, but do not require, the Creative Commons Attribution-Share-Alike license.

If the research of the theses depends on new data, and it is legally possible to do so, we also ask that the data be made available, preferably in FAIR format. The data format is a recommendation, not a requirement, so as not to discriminate against young scholars whose university has not provided support in this regard.

These principles, if not already in place, will be included in this year's call for applications, which will be published in the summer of 2024.