



**EFFAS**

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# The Gasperini Awards

The Gasperini ESG Awards recognizes outstanding papers and articles on Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) matters. The awards are designed to promote research, lead thinking on ESG issues, and encourage Investment professionals to contribute to the field” (“The Prize”).  
The prize is sponsored by the European Federation of Financial Analysts (EFFAS) and organized in alignment with AIAF.

## Topics

Sustainable development, CSR, Climate change, Ethical investment ...



## Deadlines

Submission of papers will open from 10 November 2023 until the 28 of February 2024.



## Award ceremony

23 May 2024, Milan. Kindly hosted by Associazione Italiana per l'Analisi Finanziaria (AIAF).



## Prizes

First Prize €7,500.  
Second Prize €2,500.



## Publishing

Your paper can be published by EFFAS!



## Andrea Gasperini

In memory of Andrea Gasperini, a cherished member of the EFFAS community, who dedicated his life to championing Sustainable Finance with commitment & leadership.

A Chartered Accountant and Auditor, Andrea became the Head of Sustainability at AIAF & Member of the EFFAS Commission on ESG.

A vanguard in ESG, notably contributing to our ESG Certification Programmes and the European legislation on ESG. Author of numerous publications on sustainable finance, Andrea's voice resonated in universities and global conferences.

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## **RULE 1. PARTICIPANTS:**

The award will be open to anyone and/or research team of any nationality. In the case of a research team, the director or project leader must be named. Each applicant will only be allowed to present one unique project and all the project authors must meet the eligibility criteria.

## **RULE 2. RESEARCH TOPICS:**

The papers and articles submitted for consideration must focus on ESG topics regarding investment & finance, such as sustainable development, climate change, corporate social responsibility, social justice, and ethical investment. The submissions will be judged based on their originality, impact, and potential to advance the field of ESG.

The papers and articles submitted must demonstrate a high level of academic rigour and scholarship.

## **RULE 3. RELEVANT AREAS:**

The Award Jury will judge the quality of the work, its applied nature, and its contribution to providing new solutions in the field of ESG. More specifically, it will especially consider solutions adding knowledge to the subject areas referred to in rule 2.

## **RULE 4. PRESENTATION:**

The research project must be written in English, it must be unpublished, original, and signed with an alias. Papers that have won previous awards will not be eligible for consideration.

The paper must be presented with a title and as an original Word document in standard "DINA4" size and be a maximum of 10-20 pages and/or 10,000 words in length.

The length does not include indexes, statistical appendices, tables of information and bibliography that may accompany the work as annexes.

The research project must begin with an abstract of 1 page maximum. In this section, all relevant objectives and main conclusions must be explained.

A covering letter must be attached to the paper outlining the author's qualifications and reasons for submitting the paper. Additionally, it must include: the title of the paper, the author's alias, an address, phone number, email address, an ID, and a short CV of the author/s of the study.

The terms and conditions and the Call for Entries can be consulted on the EFFAS website:

[www.effas.com](http://www.effas.com)

Any question can be addressed to [media@effas.com](mailto:media@effas.com)

## **BASE 5. SUBMISSION DETAILS:**

The study shall be submitted by registered mail to the EFFAS headquarters, located at Sophienstrasse 44, 60487 Frankfurt am Main. Papers can be submitted from **November 10, 2023** until **February 28, 2024**. Fill in the form in: <https://effas.com/all-events/effas-gasperini-awards-2024/> to register.

## **BASE 6. PRICE ALLOCATION:**

There is a maximum total prize allocation of ten thousand euros (€10,000). The first prize will be seven thousand five hundred euros (€7,500) and may be shared between one or more of the papers submitted following the discretion of the Jury. Optionally, and in recognition of the quality of other papers submitted, the Jury may award an honourable mention with a prize of two thousand five hundred euros (€2,500).

## **BASE 7. THE JURY:**

The Jury will consist of at least 6 members appointed by EFFAS and chosen from experts of recognized prestige in the economic, business, and academic fields. One jury member will act as the jury chairperson.

The composition of the Jury will be published on the EFFAS website after the announcement of the prize winners.

Each Jury member will have an individual vote. Decisions will be made by a simple majority of members' votes. In the event of a tie, the jury's chairperson will cast the decisive vote.

## **BASE 8. AWARD OF PRIZES:**

EFFAS will announce the winners of the awards on its website in the 3rd week of April 2024 and duly notify the winners.

## **BASE 9. AWARD CEREMONY:**

European Federation of Financial Analysts (EFFAS) will award the prizes to the winners at a public event in Milan kindly organized and hosted by the Associazione Italiana per l'Analisi Finanziaria (AIAF) on 23 May 2024. A condition of the awards is that the authors of the winning papers attend the award ceremony to receive their prize. A winner absent from the award ceremony without justifiable reason will have their prize deferred to the next best recipient.

## **BASE 10. PUBLICATION OF AWARDED PROJECTS:**

EFFAS does not assume the obligation to publish any of the winning papers nor does it request the right to edit any content in the papers.

Furthermore, EFFAS reserves the right to publish a version of the work in any format so long as it follows strict academic formatting guidelines.

If EFFAS decides not to publish the awarded papers, they may be freely published outside EFFAS. In this case, as well as in the versions published in strictly academic journals, it shall be mentioned in the Acknowledgements section that the paper was awarded an EFFAS prize.

## **RULE 11. ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

By participating in this award the author(s) acceptance the these award rules and that the Jury's decision will be final and not subject to appeal.