

REGULATION OF THE GRAND PRIZE SCIENCES & RESEARCH 2026

The Grand Prize Sciences & Research is given by the Académie Amorim to improve knowledge on wine and its environment.

Its value is of 5 000 € and rewards PhD thesis in oenology, viticulture, sustainable viti-viniculture or anything about the vineyard and wine's environment in fields such as legal, social and human sciences (history, economy, sociology, etc.).

Entry requirements for candidates

- Candidates must be of legal age and be students, authors, searchers in the fields of oenology, viticulture, legal, human or social sciences and must have produced some work regarding oenology, viticulture or any other question regarding the wine sector.
- Any work already presented is not eligible at any other time.
- Candidates must present their work as individuals.
- Work can be presented in English or French.
- The prize can only come to the person responsible for the work.
- the synthesis of the work honored by the prize will be published in the collection "Académie Amorim", a non-commercial publication to be used internally and by the media.
- A digital version will be published online on the website of the Académie Amorim.

Presentation of the documents sent to the Académie Amorim

We ask you to send the submission form completed and signed together with

- A short resume of the candidate,
- An introduction of no more than two pages presenting:
 - the motivations of the candidate,
 - a didactic summary of the main results of the PhD thesis
- A synthesis of the PhD thesis supporting the work. This should be about 15 pages with the bibliography, the date of the thesis defense and if applicable, the distinction obtained.

Deadline for the submission of applications: **The 31 of May 2026.**

Presentation of the original thesis can be requested of candidates.

Selection criteria

Will be considered in the selection criteria:

- The **subject reviewed** and its match with one or several major **challenges** in the wine sector.
- The quality of formulation of the work **hypothesis** and the **goals** of the research.
- The **methodology** used: adaptation of an already existing methodology, elaboration of a new methodology, possible ways of improving the methodology.
- **Results obtained:** innovation, contribution to the sector (possible applications and potential transfer in R&D)
- **Formalizing of the document:** Clarity of writing, precision and quality of formatting, figures, illustrations, pictures. Will also be considered the possibility of educational use for potential users in the real world.

The selection committee reserves itself the right to appoint a restricted committee in order to pre-select the works in competition.

Confidentiality

The jury of the competition, called the Grand Prix Sciences & Research Selection Committee, is made up of professionals and personalities from the world of wine and is sovereign in its choices.

The selection committee commits to respecting total confidentiality with the work submitted for its appreciation.

Award ceremony

Candidates will be informed of the results the 1st of September 2026 at the latest.

The Grand Prize of Sciences & Research will be awarded during an official reception with all committee members, former laureates, journalists and professionals from the wine sector.

The official reception will be hosted at the end of 2026. The exact place and date will be reported to the winner at the same time as the results.