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AMEDEO BALBI WINS THE 2021 ASIMOV PRIZE WITH A JURY OF ALMOST 10,000 STUDENTS

L'ultimo orizzonte. Cosa sappiamo dell'universo. (The Last Horizon. What we know about the universe) by Amedeo Balbi is the most

highly appreciated book by the thousands of students who made up the jury of the sixth edition of the ASIMOV Prize, the prize for the popularisation of science promoted by the INFN.

"The book proved to be a valuable debate experience with the scientific community, an excellent guide for grasping the links between the formulas on the cover and the bizarre world they describe". These are the words of the review by Leonardo Rapposelli, from the Liceo Classico Gian Battista Vico in Chieti, who together with almost 10,000 students was part of the jury that read and reviewed the five finalist books, selected by the Scientific Committee amongst those published in the last two years.

The national ceremony on 29th May marked the end of the sixth edition of the ASIMOV Prize, which involved almost three times as many students as last year, from almost 200 schools in 15 Italian regions, and an increasingly strong collaboration between schools and the world of research, university and culture. In order to find out which book was most appreciated by the students, the reviews were read and assessed by the Regional Scientific Committees, in which almost 700 teachers, researchers from INFN, Universities and CNR took part, as well as journalists, writers and representatives of the world of science and literature. ■