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ASIMOV PRIZE AT THE TURIN INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR. 5 FINALIST BOOKS ANNOUNCED

Will it be the "monstrous" theorems that populate mathematics books or images of the cosmos or pseudoscience to conquer the

thousands of students who will participate as jurists in the 7th edition of the Asimov prize?

In the Bronze Room of Turin's International Book Fair, on 15 October 2021, during "The end of the Asimov Prize and the new beginning" event, organised by INFN and by the Italian Booksellers Association (ALI), the five finalist books that will compete for the 2022 Asimov Prize were announced, kicking off the 7th edition of the prize for popularising science promoted by INFN.

Competing for the prize this year are: Paolo Alessandrini with "Bestiario matematico" (Mathematical Bestiary), Marco Ciardi with "Breve storia delle pseudoscienze" (A brief history of pseudoscience), Agnese Collino with "La malattia da 10 centesimi" (The 10-cent disease), Paul Sen with "Einstein's Fridge", and Licia Troisi with "La sfrontata bellezza del cosmo" (The brazen beauty of the cosmos). Of the popular science books published in the last two years, the Asimov Prize national scientific committee selected these five books, with the help of a broad, national collaboration of teachers, researchers, and culture, university, and research representatives. Now it will be up to students to read them, review them, and evaluate them to establish who will be awarded the prize this year.