Five New Members on the Balzan General Prize Committee

Milan, 26 January 2021 – Frances Ashcroft, Marta Cartabia, Paolo de Bernardis, Stephen Mulhall and Maria Strømme were appointed as members of the General Prize Committee of the International Balzan Foundation “Prize”. They will replace Erwin Neher, Antonio Padoa Schioppa, Bengt Gustafsson, Quentin Skinner and Carlo Wyss.

Frances Ashcroft (UK) is Royal Society GlaxoSmithKline Research Professor at the University Laboratory of Physiology, Oxford. She is a Fellow of both Trinity College, Oxford, and the Royal Society, London.

Marta Cartabia (Italy) is President Emeritus of the Italian Constitutional Court and Full Professor of Constitutional Law at Bocconi University, Milan.

Paolo de Bernardis (Italy) is Full Professor at the Department of Physics of the University of Rome “La Sapienza” and Italian Principal Investigator of the international stratospheric balloon experiment BOOMERanG. He is also a Fellow of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei as well as the Accademia Nazionale delle Scienze detta dei XL, Rome.

Stephen Mulhall (UK) is Professor of Philosophy, Russell H. Carpenter Fellow, and Tutor in Philosophy at New College, Oxford.

Maria Strømme (Sweden/Norway) is Professor of Nanotechnology, Head of Nanotechnology and Functional Materials Division, and Chairman of Upptech, The Ångström Laboratory, Uppsala University. She is a member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, the Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences, the Norwegian Academy of Technological Sciences and the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters.

The International Balzan Foundation “Prize” thanks Professors Gustafsson, Neher, Padoa Schioppa, Skinner and Wyss for their invaluable cultural and scientific contributions to the Committee, and for the care and attention with which they carried out the work of the General Prize Committee.

The General Prize Committee, chaired by Luciano Maiani, is a body operating within the International Balzan Foundation “Prize” in Milan. At present, it is composed of twenty members from all over Europe, exponents of the highest level in the world of science and culture. Every year the committee establishes which subject areas the prizes will be awarded in, and chooses the winners from among the potential candidates whose names are presented to the Foundation by the most important international academic and cultural institutions.
Foundation "Prize" the financial means necessary to realize its objective.