



AWARDING THE GUSTAVO COLONNETTI MEDAL 2025

Each year, up to two **Gustavo Colonnetti Medals** are awarded to researchers of less than 35 years - not necessarily members of the RILEM Association – who have performed high-level scientific research in the field of construction materials and structures.

Jury Membership

The Jury to select the Gustavo Colonnetti Medalist(s) is composed of:

1. The Chair of the Technical Activities Committee (TAC) (Chairperson)
2. The Editor in Chief of our scientific journal *Materials & Structures*
3. Two experts appointed by the RILEM Bureau on the proposal of the TAC.

The list of candidates is sent to the members of the Jury at the beginning of the year before the Jury convenes. In case a conflict of interest would appear after submission by candidates, the composition of the Jury will be revised at that time. The Jury will meet electronically in January and inform by email the Bureau members of RILEM of its selection.

Criteria

The following criteria apply to the candidates:

1. They must have performed high-level scientific research in the field of construction materials and structures.
2. **They should be under the age of 35 years in 2024, born in 1990 or after.**

Extension of the maximum age can be given for circumstances that have caused a delay of the scientific career, including one year per child for parental leave for birth parents, or for non-birth parents who took primary caring responsibility after adoption or surrogacy, and three months per child for other non-birth parents, and up to 3 years for long sick leave.

In its final selection, the Jury must state the specific field of research for which the candidate has been selected for the award and should emphasize the specific link with RILEM fields of activity and interest. This written summarized information should be used for notification through news on the RILEM Website, newsletter, and social media.

In keeping with RILEM overall quality strategy, it should be stressed that the researchers selected must truly merit the award for exceptional contributions to their fields of research. If, for a given year, the Jury does not consider that any of the candidates meet this criterion, then it is possible not to award any Gustavo Colonnetti Medals for that year.

Privileges of the Gustavo Colonnetti Medalist

Once the jury has chosen the Colonnetti medalist(s), the result is announced on RILEM's social networks. They are invited to give a lecture during the RILEM Spring Convention in March/April. This lecture is recorded and uploaded on RILEM YouTube channel afterwards.

Colonnetti medalist(s) from countries with low GDP per capita (see list on [RILEM Website](#)) will receive a lump sum of 2000 Euros for travel, accommodation & conference registration at next RILEM Spring meeting.

The laureate(s) will be invited to submit a letter in the Open Access Journal *RILEM Technical Letters* with no publication fees.

In case the laureate(s) is not yet a RILEM individual member, the laureate(s) will be offered a two-year free membership.

ANNEX: Jury and submission procedures for the 2025 Gustavo Colonnetti Medal

Deadline for having researchers submitting their evaluation package:

30 November 2024 at 12:00 U.T.C.

Mailing address for the evaluation package (only electronic submission is accepted):

j.hardy@rilem.org

Attention:

Mrs. Judith Hardy
RILEM Secretary General

Subject:

2025 RILEM MEDAL/name of the medal you are applying for

Evaluation package:

- ❑ a one- or two-page **cover letter** describing the candidate's most important research topics and achievements. If appropriate, a short mention of circumstances that may have caused a delay of a scientific career should be made. (One- or two-page pdf file)
- ❑ a **statement** to prove the research relevance and impact, as well as leadership and service to the scientific community (including an overview of supervised PhD students and/or supervised industrial projects and/or important project grants, if applicable). Any relation and/or contribution to RILEM should be included in this statement. Finally, a section should be included clarifying the candidate's own contribution, versus contribution of the candidate's current or former supervisor, and current or former students/researchers that the candidate has supervised. (Maximum 10 pages pdf file)
- ❑ **RILEM medal application file** completed (L'Hermite and Colonnetti medals application file)
- ❑ a **list of publications** (with a clear distinction between the different types of publications), patents, awards (PDF file)
- ❑ a **portrait photo** of the candidate (Jpeg photograph)

The Jury will meet in January 2025.