



IEEE Robotics & Automation Society Italian Chapter “Fabrizio Flacco” Young Author Best Paper Award 2025 17th Edition

The IEEE Robotics and Automation Society Italian Chapter (**I-RAS**) “Fabrizio Flacco” Young Author Best Paper (YABP) Award 2025 is given to an author or co-author of a recent paper published in one of the journals sponsored by the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society (RAS).

The following applies:

- eligible journals are listed in Annex I;
- the paper must have been published (at least online) in 2023 or later;
- applicants must be I-RAS members during 2025 (i.e., a IEEE RAS member with affiliation in Italy);
- applicants must have been born on or after January 1, 1990;
- it is allowed to resubmit unawarded papers of the previous call;
- researchers who have previously won the award are not eligible to apply.

The best young author is selected by a Committee formed by 5 IEEE RAS members nominated by the Chair and the Vice-Chair. The Chapter Chair is the President of the Committee, the Vice-Chair will be the vice-President, and they will not vote.

Interested applicants must send an application with:

1. a letter in which the contribution of the applicant is clearly stated;
2. optional letters of support, either self-written or by others;
3. the IEEEExplore PDF file of the paper;
4. copy of the ID;
5. 2025 digital I-RAS membership card (retrieved from the personal IEEE account, with evidence of membership number and “Italy section” mention).

Applications must be sent to fabio.ruggiero@unina.it by **August 29, 2025, at the latest**. Please, use *[YABP Award 2025] - Application* as the email subject and put all the documents in a ZIP file. Applicants may submit multiple entries, provided that each application refers to a different paper.

The YABP Award 2025 Committee is composed by: Graziana Cavone, Matteo Cianchetti, Giulia Michieletto, Gionata Salvietti, and Francesco Pierri. Fabio Ruggiero and Valeria Villani are members without voting option. They will complete the selection by late September/beginning of October, 2025. Finalists will be advised by the end of September to be prepared to participate to I-RIM 3D 2025 (17-19 October, 2025) where the award will be announced to the community.

The YABP Award 2025 consists of a certificate and one cheque for 500 €. We gratefully acknowledge the IEEE Italian Section, sponsor of the award.



Fabio Ruggiero
Chair of the Italian Chapter of
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Annex I

RAS Publications suitable for participation in the YABP Award 2025 according to
<http://www.ieee-ras.org/publications>:

- RAS Sponsored Publications
 - IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L)
 - IEEE Robotics and Automation Magazine (RA-M)
 - IEEE Transactions on Automation Science and Engineering (T-ASE)
 - IEEE Transactions on Robotics (T-RO)
 - IEEE Transactions on Field Robotics (T-FR)
 - IEEE Robotics and Automation Practice (RAP)
- Co-sponsored publications
 - IEEE/ASME Transactions on Mechatronics
 - IEEE Journal of MicroElectroMechanical Systems
 - IEEE Transactions on Haptics
 - IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Vehicles
 - IEEE Transactions on Medical Robotics and Bionics
 - IEEE Transactions on Cognitive and Developmental Systems
- Technically co-sponsored publications
 - IEEE Sensors Journal (Sensors Council)
 - IEEE Systems Journal (Systems Council)
 - IEEE Transactions on Artificial Intelligence
 - IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems
 - IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics
 - IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing
 - IEEE Transactions on Nanotechnology (Nanotechnology Council)
 - IEEE Transactions on Technology and Society