

Prize Ceremony

LUCE Awards 2026

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Teatro - Badia Fiesolana, Via dei Roccettini 9 - San Domenico di Fiesole (Fiesole, Florence)

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Introduction

The [Lights on Women](#) initiative at the Florence School of Regulation is proud to organise the forth edition of the **LUCE Awards**.

The awards

The LUCE Awards celebrates the outstanding contributions of women driving innovation and progress in the sectors of **energy**, **climate**, and **sustainability**.

Following a successful 2025 edition, **the 4th edition of the LUCE Awards** marks another milestone in advancing the Green Transition. As we forge ahead on the path toward a greener tomorrow, this edition aspires to further elevate the **voices and achievements of women** who are pioneering solutions for a sustainable planet.

Awards ceremony and prizes

The LUCE Awards will give two prizes under the categories:

- **Emerging Talent:** this category aims to recognise up-and-coming female academics, entrepreneurs, founders, and young civil society leaders who are working to advance the Green Transition. The winner will be invited to attend the awarding ceremony and offered a free seat in one community course by the Florence School of Regulation Energy and Climate.
- **Legacy Women:** this category honours the achievements of senior female professionals working to further the Green Transition worldwide. The winner will be invited to attend the awarding ceremony and to attend the FSR [Regulatory Policy Workshop](#).

The awarding ceremony, a flagship event of the 50th EUI Anniversary, will be held in Florence on 9 June 2026.

This event is organised with the kind support of the Lights on Women donor [Edison](#).

Programme

- 15.00 - 15.25 *Welcome and Introduction to the LUCE Awards 2026*
Ilaria Conti | Florence School of Regulation, EUI
- Keynote Speech*
Rosalinde Van Der Vlies | European Commission
- 15.25 - 15.35 *Updates from Lights on Women and Launch of New Video*
- 15.35 - 16.00 *The LUCE Awards Ceremony*
- Roberta Ruggero** | Florence School of Regulation, EUI
- Introduction to the Awards and Winners' Announcement
 - Winners' Speeches: Emerging Talent and Legacy Women
- 16.00 - 16.55 *Panel Debate*
The Price of Inequality: Economic Cost of the Gender Employment Gap
- Moderator:
Ilaria Conti | Florence School of Regulation, EUI
- Panellists:
Massimiliano Mascherini | Eurofound
Letizia Mencarini | Bocconi University
Lucio Pisacane | Italian National Research Council (CNR)
- Winners of LUCE 2026**
- The FSR Donors Perspective – Edison*
- 16.55 - 17.15 *Q&A with the Audience (20')*
- 17.15 - 17.35 *Ana Aguado Scholarships Awards*
- Moderators:
Leonardo Meeus | Florence School of Regulation, EUI
Veronica Cardoni | E.DSO
- 17.35 - 17.40 *Closing Remarks*
- 17.40 - 18.40 *Cocktail*