## Results of the Italian History Competition 2010/2011

"The Italian unification: yesterday and today"

The topic of the eighth edition of the Italian Eustory competition was "The Italian unification: yesterday and today". Within this competition, the Fondazione per la Scuola received 69 research projects from 55 secondary schools all over Italy for a total of 1259 students involved. Compared to the previous years this represents the best number until now. The deadline for submitting the projects was 31 march 2011.

The big increase on the number of application is due to the topic of this edition, near to the celebration of 150 years of Italian history. Most of schools worked in the last months about this intense and controversial theme, so they found in the Eustory competition a chance to product something creative. We also worked to a better promotion showing the information material (poster and announcement) during our national and international Academies of Civic Education. This gave us the opportunity to take contacts with history teachers interested to improve the research experience of their students.

The quality of works varied a lot: some of the contribution was really simple, but we found also great projects characterized by a good level of critical research.

The topic of the ninth edition is "Man and woman: how is changed the relation". The next competition will start at the end of September 2011.