



RESEARCH AREA
Research training office

NOTICE OF COMPARATIVE EVALUATION PROCEDURE FOR THE AWARD OF 7 RESEARCH GRANT CONTRACTS FOR RESEARCH ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM PROJECT ENTITLED "INNOVATION, DIGITALISATION AND SUSTAINABILITY FOR THE DIFFUSED ECONOMY IN CENTRAL ITALY"- IDENTIFICATION CODE ECS000041 - VITALITY (CUP C43C22000380007).

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GIVEN the Law of 30 December 2010, no. 240 and, in particular, art. 22;

GIVEN the Ministerial Decree of 9 March 2011, no. 102, with which the gross annual amount of the aforementioned research fellowships was recalculated;

GIVEN the Law of 12 November 2011, no. 183 and, in particular, art. 15, relating to urgent formalities for the application of the new provisions on certificates and self-declarations;

GIVEN the Rector's Decree 9 February 2017, no. 32, with which the regulation of research fellowships was issued, and, in particular, art. 2, second point (finalized research fellowship);

GIVEN the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council, of 27 April 2016, concerning the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data, as well as the free circulation of such data and which repeals Directive 95/46 / EC (General Data Protection Regulation);

GIVEN the MUR Notice referred to in the Directorial Decree no. 3277 of 30.12.2021 Public notice for the presentation of Intervention Proposals for the creation and strengthening of "innovation ecosystems", construction of "R&D territorial leaders" - Innovation Ecosystems - as part of the National Recovery Plan and Resilience, Mission 4 Education and research - Component 2 From research to business - Investment 1.5, funded by the European Union - NextGenerationEU and the relative Decree for admission to funding D.D. no. 1057 of 23 June 2022;

GIVEN the resolution of the Board of Directors of 07.05.2022 which authorized the establishment of the VITALITY Foundation for the management of the Innovation Ecosystem HUB;

GIVEN the Decree of admission to the financing D.D. no. 1057 of 23 June 2022, which approved the loan of € 115.996.558,73 for the realization of the Innovation, digitalisation and sustainability for the diffused economy in Central Italy - VITALITY project;

GIVEN the resolutions of the Academic Senate and the Board of Directors at their meetings held on September 27 and 28, 2022, in which the political bodies approved the implementation of the project - Ecosystem of Innovation entitled "*Innovation, digitalisation and sustainability for the diffused economy in central Italy*"- identification code ECS00000041 -VITALITY;

GIVEN the resolutions of the Academic Senate of March 6, 2024 and the Board of Directors of March 6, 2024, approving the activation of 7 research grants from the funds of the Vitality project with the specifications given in the forms attached to this announcement. It was also resolved that the expenditure of Euro 168,000.00 will be borne by the funds of the Vitality project;

GIVEN the Guidelines for Information and Communication Actions by Implementing Entities (Version 1.0 of Oct. 10, 2022), received on Oct. 12, 2022, in which the project logos are included;

GIVEN the reporting guidelines intended for the implementers of the interventions of the PNRR Italia of which the Ministry of University and Research is the titular administration and the related control Check Lists and in particular the aspects concerning the principles of "equal opportunities, generational and gender" and "Do No Significant Harm (DNSH)" that is, "do not cause significant harm", according to which no measure financed by the notices must cause harm to environmental objectives;

VERIFIED compliance with the principle of "Do not cause significant damage to the environment" (DNSH), pursuant to Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852, which implies that the implementation of the project must be consistent with the principles and the specific obligations of the PNRR as well as with relevant EU and national environmental legislation.

DECREES

Art. 1

A comparative evaluation procedure is announced for the awarding of 7 grants for collaboration in research activities, with a duration of one year, possibly renewable for an additional 12 months also on other funds, within the Ecosystem of Innovation project entitled "Innovation, digitalisation and sustainability for the diffused economy in central Italy"- identification code ECS000041 -VITALITY - in the areas and scientific-disciplinary sectors indicated in the attachments:

- attachment 1) SSD: AGR/16 Tutor: Rosanna Tofalo (WP 1);
- attachment 2) SSD: AGR/15 Tutor: Paola Pittia (WP 2);
- attachment 3) SSD: AGR/16 Tutor: Antonello Paparella - Annalisa Serio (WP 3);
- attachment 4) SSD: AGR/01 Tutor: Jorgelina Di Pasquale (WP 5);
- attachment 5) SSD: AGR/18 Tutor: Isa Fusaro (WP 5);
- attachment 6) SSD: SECS-P/07 e SECS-S/03 Tutor: Daniela Mancini - Andrea Ciccarelli (WP 6);
- attachment 7) SSD: SECS-P/07 Tutor: Christian Corsi (WP 7).

Art. 2

General admission requirements

Those who possess an academic qualification at least equivalent to a master's degree/specialist degree/single cycle/old system and the requirements set forth in the attached forms may participate in the comparative evaluation procedure.

Citizens from outside the European Union who possess a similar academic degree obtained abroad, previously recognized by the competent authorities in accordance with current regulations, may also participate.

For failure to meet the requirements, the exclusion of the candidate may be ordered at any procedural moment by a note from the person in charge of the procedure; any admission must therefore be considered in any case to be made with reservations.

Art. 3

Incompatibility

Pursuant to art. 8 of the University Regulations for research fellowships, cannot be the holder of a research fellowship:

- a) permanent staff at universities, institutions and public research and experimentation bodies, the National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA) and the Italian Space Agency (ASI), as well as the institutions whose scientific specialization diploma has been recognized as equivalent to the title of research doctor pursuant to article 74, fourth paragraph, of the decree of the President of the Republic of 11 July 1980, no. 382;
- b) staff serving in public administrations other than those referred to in point a), without prejudice to the possibility of benefiting from the research fellowship after placement on unpaid leave at their own administration, for the duration of the fellowship;
- c) students enrolled in bachelor's, specialist or master's degree courses;
- d) PhD students with scholarships;
- e) students enrolled in Specialization Schools. For those enrolled in Specialization Schools who are successful in the research fellowship, the suspension of the course of study until the end of the fellowship is applied;
- f) those enrolled in postgraduate and master courses in Italy and abroad only if incompatibility with the use of the research fellowship is expressly provided for in the calls for enrollment in these courses.

Those who will be awarded of research fellowship in this insolvency procedure will not be able to hold legal positions or carry out activities declared incompatible pursuant to the aforementioned article.

The fellowships covered by this announcement cannot be combined with scholarships awarded for any reason, except for those granted by national or foreign institutions useful for integrating, with stays abroad, the research activity of the holders.

Pursuant to art. 3, last paragraph of the University Regulations for research fellowships, cannot be the holder of a research fellowship: those who have a degree of kinship or affinity, up to and including the fourth degree, with the scientific manager of the research grant, with a professor or researcher belonging to the Faculty or to the structure where the research fellowship is located, with the Rector, the General Director or a member of the University's Board of Directors, without prejudice to further incompatibilities pursuant to the legislation current.

Art. 4

Application and submission deadline

To participate in the procedure referred to in this call, the candidate must complete the appropriate application following the scheme in Annex A, published, together with the call and the information pursuant to art. 13 of the EU Regulation no. 2016/679, on the website www.unite.it. The application must be delivered by hand or by post to the General Affairs Office (Protocol Office) of the University of Teramo (Via R. Balzarini n.1 - Teramo) or sent by certified e-mail to the address protocollo@pec.unite.it by the peremptory deadline of **Monday 22 April 2024**.

In the application form, the interested party must declare under his own responsibility:

- a) surname and first name;
- b) the date and place of birth;
- c) the tax code;
- d) the residence, with the indication of the street, the house number, the city, the province, the postal code;
- e) the citizenship possessed;
- f) the degree held, the University at which it was obtained, as well as the date of achievement;
- g) not to have a relationship of marriage, kinship, affinity, up to and including the fourth degree, with the scientific manager of the research fellowship, with a professor or researcher belonging to the Faculty or to the structure where the fellowship is located research, with the Rector, the General Director or a member of the University's Board of Directors, and not to find themselves in further situations of incompatibility pursuant to current legislation;
- h) the address where you wish to send any communications relating to the competition that is the subject of the application, as well as the telephone number and the commitment to make known any subsequent changes.

The interested party must attach to the application:

- 1) a curriculum vitae;
- 2) a photocopy of the tax code card;
- 3) a photocopy of an identity document.

Academic qualifications and any professional qualifications to be evaluated must be presented in the form of a self-certification, pursuant to art. 46 of Presidential Decree 445/2000, by filling in the appropriate annex B.

The publications can be submitted in copies declared conform to the original by means of a certificate signed by the candidate in accordance with the Presidential Decree 28 December 2000, no. 445, using Annex C or in original.

For the other qualifications for which evaluation is requested, these can be presented in a copy declared conform to the original by means of a certificate signed by the candidate pursuant to Presidential Decree 28 December 2000, n. 445, using Annex C.

Acts and documents in a foreign language (except publications) must be accompanied by an Italian translation certified as conforming to the foreign text, drawn up by the competent diplomatic or consular representation, or by an official translator.

The candidates with disabilities, to obtain, in accordance with the provisions of art. 20 of the law 5 February 1992, no. 104, the granting of the aids necessary in relation to one's handicap, as well as any additional time for carrying out the interview, must attach the relative medical-health certification to the application form.

The candidate must put his signature at the bottom of the application, under penalty of exclusion.

Without prejudice to the cases of exclusion expressly indicated in the announcement, the regularization of

applications may be requested at any time which, signed and sent within the deadline, should prove to be formally irregular due to remediable defects, inaccurate or non-compliant with the application form attached to this decree.

The Administration assumes no responsibility for the dispersion of communications resulting from incorrect indication of the address by the applicants or from failure or late communication of the change of address indicated in the application or for any postal or telegraphic errors or in any case attributable to third parties, fortuitous event or force majeure.

Art. 5

Evaluation of qualifications and interview

According to the provisions of art. 15 of the University Regulations for grants for research fellowships, the evaluation of qualifications and the interview will be based on criteria previously established by the Commission of selection, with the award of a maximum of 100 points.

In determining the criteria, the Commission must take into account the provisions of the art. 47 of Legislative Decree 77/2021, providing methods for supporting the participation of women and the participation, valorisation and protection of young people or ensuring a quota equal to at least 40% of the new hires - if any - necessary for carrying out research activities both youth employment and female employment, for the purposes of promoting gender equality and protecting and enhancing young people.

The work of the Commission and the conduct of the interview may take place, at the discretion of the Commission itself, electronically.

The evaluation of qualifications must precede the interview.

The interview is designed to ascertain the candidate's level of preparation in the specific scientific-disciplinary fields and his or her aptitude for scientific research.

Furthermore, the candidate must demonstrate sufficient knowledge of the required foreign language.

The diary of the interview with the indication of the time and its procedure, will be published on the University website. This communication will have the value of notification in all respects to the candidates.

The non-presentation of the candidate on the days established for the exams, even if due to force majeure, will be considered equivalent to an explicit declaration of renunciation of this selection procedure.

To take the interview, candidates must present themselves with a suitable identification document.

Art. 6

Commission of selection

The Commission of selection, appointed by Rector's decree on the proposal of the scientific director of the project, will be composed of three teachers.

The Commission may be integrated with linguistic experts and may make use, at no additional cost to public finance, of highly qualified Italian or foreign auditors from outside the University.

At the end of the work, the Commission will compile the general merit ranking based on the scores obtained by the candidates in the individual assessments, in descending order of the overall vote. With the same score, preference will be given to the candidate with less age.

Art. 7

Approval of the acts

Within thirty days from the delivery of the minutes by the commission of selection, the Rector will verify the regularity of the documents and approve the general merit ranking.

In the event that irregularities are found, the Rector will send the minutes back to the Commission for regularization with a motivated provision, establishing the deadline.

The decree will be included in the Official University Collection and published on the University website.

Art. 8

Contract

The winning candidate will be invited to stipulate, within the peremptory deadline of ten days, which runs from the date of notification of the communication of the grant award, a specific contract governing collaboration in the research activity.

Anyone who fails to sign the contract within the aforementioned term will be considered a renouncer. In this case, the next candidate in the ranking will take over.

The contract may be renewed annually upon expiry, for the continuation of the same research, for up to three years based on the progress and results of the project.

Art. 9

Research fellowship

The amount of the fellowship is determined at € 19,367.00 (nineteen thousand three hundred and sixty-seven/00 euros) gross per year, including the share relating to the INPS social security contribution, separately managed, to be paid by the researcher.

This amount will be paid to the beneficiary in deferred monthly installments.

The research fellowship cannot be combined with others or with scholarships awarded for any reason, except those granted by national or foreign institutions, useful for integrating research activities with stays abroad.

Art. 10

Treatment of personal data

Pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/679, the data provided will be processed by the University of Teramo solely for the purposes of managing this procedure in order to guarantee its security, integrity and confidentiality.

The data controller is the University of Teramo.

The provision of data is mandatory for participation in the procedure referred to in this announcement. When collecting data, the data subject is provided with the information attached to this notice relating to the processing of the same and authorization for the processing of data is also required.

If the consent to the processing of personal data, requested from the candidate in the application form, is not given in a clear, unambiguous and explicit manner, the same will be excluded from the selection procedure.

To exercise the rights provided for by EU Regulation 2016/679, relating to this procedure, the interested party may contact the data protection officer at the University of Teramo who can be contacted at the email address rpdp@unite.it or by sending a registered letter with return receipt to the University of Teramo, - GDPR Office - Via Balzarini, 1 64100 Teramo.

This announcement is published on the University website

Art. 11

Return of documents and publications

Candidates not properly placed in the ranking will be able to collect any publications and documents deposited at this University at their own expense, in any case no later than six months from the conclusion of the procedure.

After this deadline, this University will dispose of the material in question according to its needs, without any responsibility towards the candidates themselves.

Art. 12

Publication

This notice will be published on the website of the University of Teramo (www.unite.it) and on the sites required



by current legislation.

Art. 13

Responsible for the procedure

Pursuant to the law of 7 August 1990, no. 241, the person in charge of the procedure referred to in this announcement is Dr. Miriam Tullii - Head of Research Area - via R. Balzarini no. 1 - Coste S. Agostino Campus - 64100 Teramo (tel. 0861 / 266307-6335 - assegni@unite.it).

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Signed Dino Mastrocola