

Call for Expressions of Interest: Marie Skłodowska Curie Individual Fellowships

The School of International Studies (SIS - www.ssi.unitn.it) at the University of Trento (Italy) welcomes expressions of interest from excellent postdoctoral researchers to apply, jointly with a research supervisor from SIS, to the European Commission Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship Scheme.

Selected candidates will be offered both academic and administrative support from SIS faculty and the University Research Office with regards to proposal development.

The Marie Skłodowska Curie Action Funding Scheme

The Marie Skłodowska Curie Action is a funding scheme that supports researcher mobility: Individual Fellowships may last 12-24 months to pursue a research project, advanced training and knowledge exchange at the host institution (SIS). It offers a competitive salary, mobility and family allowances, plus a research budget.

Applicants are expected to have an excellent CV and a strong publication record. They must hold a PhD (or have four years full time research experience) and must not have spent more than 12 months in Italy in the three years prior to the call deadline. No nationality requirements apply.

Full details on the funding scheme and the application process can be found <u>here</u>. The final deadline for applications is 12 September 2018.

The School of International Studies

The School of International Studies (SIS) was established in 2001 at the University of Trento as an advanced institute of interdisciplinary studies and has quickly become a leading reference point both in Italy and beyond for graduate teaching and research in international studies. Its 20 faculty members bring together expertise from disciplines such as economics, law, politics, sociology, and history. SIS offers two Master's degrees (European and International Studies; International Security Studies) and a Ph.D. programme in International Studies.



Research Areas

The School builds on the diverse disciplinary backgrounds of its faculty in a wide portfolio of multidisciplinary research programs addressing the challenges associated with the processes of globalization and European integration. The complexity of modern societies implies that no single disciplinary approach is sufficient to understand the rapid social, political, economic and institutional changes currently occurring both in Europe and worldwide.

Research activities at SIS revolve around three main broad topics (for more information see the dedicated <u>webpage</u> on the SIS website):

- the social, political, institutional and economic implications of a globally interconnected world;
- international relations and security, and their interaction with technology and innovation;
- the tension between integration and disintegration in Europe.

Besides these three broad areas of research that characterize its activities, in 2018-2020 the School will devote specific attention to the following additional topics:

- the (non)proliferation of non-conventional weapons and technologies, including WMDs, autonomous and space-related systems, cyber security;
- the relationship between climate change, food security and international trade, and global environmental politics including local voices in international arenas;
- anti-establishment voting and economic integration;
- the legal aspects of (EU) Trade Policy in cases of contested sovereignty and civil war.

Steps to Follow and Important Dates

- by April 20th 2018 express your interest by sending i) the application form containing a 2-page summary of your research proposal; ii) a CV (max. 2 pages plus full list of publications); iii) a cover letter; iv) a copy of a valid ID or passport. Please submit your candidature to Ms. Silvia Tomaselli (silvia.tomaselli (at) unitn.it), specifying MSCA at SIS in the subject of your e-mail:
- **selected applicants** will be **notified by May 10th** and invited to prepare their full proposal in collaboration with a SIS supervisor;
- a complete draft of the application must be prepared by July 13th 2018;
- the final version of the project MUST be ready by August 31st, 2018. If this is not the case, the SIS retains the right to withdraw its support for the proposal;
- the School of International Studies will offer a 2-day training session at the end of May for the preparation of successful applications, and the possibility to discuss the details of the proposal and meet potential supervisors.