Call for PhD positions at the Doctoral School of Social Sciences,
PhD Programmes in “Development Economics and Local Systems”,
“Economics and Management” and “Sociology and Social Research”
Academic Year 2014-15 (30th cycle)

N.B. Please note that only the Italian version of the present call issued with Rector’s Decree n. 284 of 28 May 2014 is legally binding, the English version is provided for information only

THE RECTOR

Considering Law n. 210 of 3 July 1998, and in particular art. 4, as modified by art. 19, par. 1 of Law n. 220 of 30 December 2010;
Considering Ministerial Decree n. 45 of 8 February 2013 regarding the rules and procures for the accreditation of doctoral programmes and the criteria for their institution by accredited bodies, in particular art. 3;
Considering the Decree of the Council of Ministers President of 9 April 2001 and subsequent amendments and integrations, which determine the criteria for guaranteeing equal access to third level education;
Considering the Statute of the University of Trento, approved by Rector’s Decree n. 167 of 23 April 2012, and in particular art. 28;
Considering the Trento University Regulations for Doctoral Courses, approved by Rector’s Decree n. 383 of 4 July 2013 and subsequently amended by Rector’s Decree n. 160 of 18 March 2014;
Considering the proposal presented by the Department of Economics and Management, University of Trento;
Considering the proposal presented by the Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Trento;
Considering the proposal presented by the Department of Economics and Management, University of Trento and by the Department of Economics and Management, University of Florence;
Considering the report by the Internal Evaluation Unit of the University of Trento of 12 December 2013 and of 29 April 2014 related to the pre-requisites for the proposed Doctoral Courses;
Considering the resolution approved by the Academic Senate of the University of Trento on 29 January 2014;
Considering the resolution approved by the Academic Senate of the University of Florence on 16 April 2014 and by the Academic Senate of the University of Trento on 30 April 2014;
Considering that, although the accreditation process - which must be given by the Ministry upon the recommendation of the ANVUR - has not yet been completed, the University of Trento, taking into account the time required to allow an international recruitment, has decided not to delay the issuance of the calls and the completion of the selection procedure;

STATES

Art. 1 – PURPOSE OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT

This Announcement regulates the selection for admission to Academic Year 2014-15 (30th cycle) of the following PhD Programmes:

- Development Economics and Local Systems jointly with the University of Florence according to art. 2 co. 2, lett. a) – Ministerial Decree n. 45/2013;
- Economics and Management;
- Sociology and Social Research;

Deadline for application: 2 July 2014, 16:00 Italian time

Duration: 3 years

Places and Scholarships: see attachment 1
Art. 2 – ANNOUNCEMENT PURPOSES

The admission to one of the above mentioned Doctoral Programmes follows a public selection according to the conditions set in Attachment “1” of the Call. For each Doctoral Programme listed above in art. 1 the file entails: scientific areas, research areas, structure of the Programme, doctoral positions with and without scholarship, requirements for the admission, Programme of the examination, assessment criteria. The submission of the application, as set forth in article 5, entails acceptance of the regulations of this announcement by the candidate. Failure to accomplish with this announcement regulations drives to the exclusion from the selection procedure. Attachments are part of the call. Any further change or addition to the present call will be published on the website: http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection. The number of places covered by scholarships and/or by internship contracts and by other potential financial support may be augmented with funds from other universities, public research bodies or prestigious private companies, made available after the publication of this announcement and before the candidate’s interview. Any increase in the number of scholarships or other means of financial support shall result in a corresponding increase in the total number of available places. Such occurrence will be communicated online, and nowhere else, at http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection.

Art. 3 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applications for admission to the PhD Programme described in the previous article, are accepted from candidates, regardless of gender, age, religion or nationality, who hold an Italian “Laurea Magistrale” (Master’s Degree) according to Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22 October 2004, or a university degree awarded under the previous regulations, or an equivalent degree qualification obtained abroad and considered suitable by the Admission Committee. Applications are also accepted from candidates who expect to obtain their degree/equivalent qualification abroad, by 31 October 2014.

They must upload, in the specific online sections, the following documents:
- a certificate of enrolment, listing the examinations and related grades (EU citizens who have obtained their degree from a public academic institution of the member countries of the European Union may provide a self-declaration as allowed for by the Presidential Decree n. 445 of 28 December 2000, using Form A);
- a letter signed by the thesis supervisor stating that the student shall obtain her/his academic qualification by October 31, 2014.

In these cases, the candidate’s admission to the course will be subject to confirmation. The candidate shall provide the ‘Doctorate Office – Humanities Area’ (fax n. + 39 0461 282191 – email: dottorati-citta@unitn.it), upon penalty of exclusion, with a certificate attesting to their qualification (EU citizens who have obtained their degree from a public academic institution of the member countries of the European Union may provide a self-declaration as allowed for by the Presidential Decree n. 445 of 28 December 2000, using Form A) by 13 November 2014.

Art. 4 – FOREIGN QUALIFICATIONS

Foreign qualifications must be equivalent to the Laurea magistrale (Master’s Degree), in terms of duration, level and subject area. The Admission Committee will determine their eligibility. Candidates who hold a foreign academic qualification which has not been declared equivalent to an Italian degree, shall implicitly request that the eligibility of their qualification be recognized as part of their online application, attaching the following documents:

- certificate of the foreign academic qualification with the list of examinations and related marks (EU citizens who have obtained their degree from a public academic institution of the member countries of the European Union may provide a self-declaration as allowed for by the Presidential Decree n. 445 of 28 December 2000, using the Form A template);
- translation into English (if not in English already) of the degree certificate with exams, grades obtained signed by the applicant, to enable the Admission Committee to declare its equivalence, for the sole purpose of admission to the selection process for this 30th cycle;
- any other document which may be useful to evaluate the admissibility of the academic qualification for participation in the selection process (Diploma Supplement or Declaration of value).

Successful applicants holding a foreign qualification must present the following documents to the relevant office ‘Doctorate Office – Humanities Area’, by 13 November 2014, by fax +39 0461 282191, or email: dottorati-citta@unitn.it:

• The Declaration of Value, with the certificate of the foreign degree listing examinations and grades, translated and validated by the Italian Diplomatic mission or consulate in the country where the issuing institution is located. The Declaration of Value shall certify both that the foreign qualification is valid in the country where the issuing institution is located and that it grants access to an academic course equivalent to the PhD (third level of higher education as established in the Bologna Process – European Higher Education Area);

• Alternatively, a Diploma Supplement can be provided, in English. It must be in the format established by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO/CEPES.

Art. 5 – APPLICATION

The application must be submitted online, in two stages:
- candidates first need to register on the University website (http://www.unitn.it/en/account) to obtain a username and password to access the UniTn reserved area. Candidates should allow up to 2 working days for their registration to be processed;

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1 For further information on the Italian university system visit http://www.study-in-italy.it/study/new-degrees.html
2 For further information visit http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=134
3 The Diploma Supplement accompanies a higher education diploma, providing an improvement in international “transparency” and a promotion of the academic and professional qualifications obtained (diploma, degrees, certificates, etc.). The Diploma Supplement must be issued by the same institution that issued the qualification. Further information at: http://ec.europa.eu/education/tools/diploma-supplement_en.htm.
4 Should the Declaration of Value not be available by the given deadline, the candidate has to produce evidence of the request to the Diplomatic mission. The candidate has to provide the original Declaration of Value as soon as available.
- they then need to complete the online application and to upload all the required attachments, using the link http://www.unitn.it/en/apply/dott.

Participation in the selection process is subject to the payment of a non-reimbursable application fee of €15.00, by Bank transfer or credit card, as indicated in the appropriate section of the application on line (‘Selection participation fee’).

The deadline for submission of the online application is 2 July 2014, 16:00 Italian time. Candidates are recommended to check that they have received an email confirming that their application has been successfully completed and submitted.

Candidates are strongly recommended to submit early applications and not to wait until the last minute. The University shall not be held responsible for any dysfunction due to technical problems and/or overloading of lines of communication and/or of the OS, for the loss of communications due to incorrect address details or candidates’ failures to communicate eventual changes of address, or for any other problems or delays caused by third parties, unexpected occurrences or unforeseeable circumstances.

Incomplete or irregular applications, or applications transmitted in ways other than those set out in this article, shall not be considered valid.

The application is, in law, a self-declaration of the personal details and information provided. Admission to the selection procedure is provisional and conditional upon the verification of each candidate's satisfaction of the admission requirements.

The University of Trento is entitled to sample-check such requirements, as per art. 71 and, subsequently, Law n. 445 of 28 December 2000. Candidates whose application is discovered not to meet the admission criteria, may be excluded at any time. They will be given written notice to this effect, including an explanation of the decision.

In accordance with Law 104/92, art. 20 and Law 68/99, art. 16, paragraph 1, disabled candidates, or those with learning disabilities, must explicitly request, in their online application, any necessary additional equipment or time they require to undertake the selection procedure. All personal data will be treated in accordance with the privacy criteria set out by the Legislative Decree 196/03, “Code about personal information privacy”.

The candidate shall choose only one Doctoral Programme among “Economics and Management”, "Development Economics and Local Systems" and "Sociology and Social Research".

**OBLIGATORY ATTACHMENTS (candidates will be excluded from the selection process if one or more of the obligatory attachments are missing):**

1) **ID document:**
   Copy of ID card (for EU citizens) or passport, in particular of the pages that include the picture, personal details, number, date and place of issue, expiry date;

2) **Academic documents**
   • for candidates holding an Italian qualification:
     Self-declaration using the self-declaration form, as per art. 46 of the Law n. 445 of 28 December 2000 and subsequent amendments (drafted using the Form A template), stating that the candidate holds the academic qualification (art. 3 of this announcement), the degree classification, the degree date, the issuing university, the final grade, the list of examination and marks attained;
   • for candidates holding a foreign qualification:
     An academic certificate with the list of examinations and marks attained or equivalent certification, as per art. 4 of this announcement. If the academic qualification has not been officially recognised as equivalent to an Italian qualification, an English translation of the certificate (if not in English already) with the list of exams and marks attained must be provided. The candidate has to sign the translation, thus vouching for its accuracy. Alternatively, a translation of the degree certificate and grade transcript, validated by an Italian embassy or consular representative in the country where the issuing university is located, together with the Declaration of Value, can be provided. This will allow the
Admission Committee to evaluate the eligibility of the certificate, for the sole purpose of participation in this admissions process. Candidates are strongly advised to attach the Diploma Supplement\(^7\) or an equivalent document, if available.

- for candidates who have not yet obtained their degree/equivalent foreign qualification and who are therefore only provisionally admitted:
  - their enrolment certificate listing exams taken and marks attained (EU citizens who are obtaining their degree from a public academic institution of the member countries of the European Union may provide a self-declaration as allowed for by the Presidential Decree n. 445 of 28 December 2000, using the Form A template);
  - a letter signed by their thesis supervisor stating that the candidate will obtain their academic title by 31 October 2014.


4) a short research proposal in English (3000 words, excluding bibliography, if applicable). Each candidate can only submit one proposal, which must include a title and an abstract (max 150 words). Candidates competing for one of the project specific scholarships must submit a proposal whose subject matter is relevant to the research area for which the scholarship is being awarded. They must also indicate their application for the scholarship in the online application.

The scholarship “Analysis and evaluation of local public policies and their impact on enterprises” is assigned upon the assessment of the candidate’s knowledge of German at the C2 level in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). The candidate who has been awarded the scholarship for the specific research project must accept the offer.

Further information are available at page http://web.unitn.it/en/drss/35566/project-specific-scholarship-2014

5) the “Signed acceptance document” generated by the online application. This document must be printed, signed and uploaded in the specific section of the online application.

OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS:
- an international certificate attesting the candidate’s knowledge of English at the C1\(^8\) level or higher in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) if English is not the candidate’s mother tongue or the candidate has not graduated from a BA or MA programme taught entirely in English.
- list (if applicable) of scientific publications;
- any other qualifications, such as international examinations (GRE or equivalent);
- any other documents which demonstrate the candidates’ skills (awards, scholarships, post-graduate study and research activities and so on);
- reference letters in English\(^9\) (maximum 2).

Candidates can nominate two referees. Within 24 hours of the candidate completing and saving the referee section, the system will send an automatically generated email to the referee, giving instructions on how to complete and send the form.

The candidates are advised to make sure that their references are uploaded onto the website by 2 July 2014.

If candidates have to upload further documents after the complete closing of their online application procedure, they are required to deliver these by 2 July 2014 to the following email address: ateneo@unitn.it (please state in the email subject: “Application ID – Candidate’s Last Name and Name – PhD Programme in …… – 30th cycle – supplement to application”). Additional materials which are not delivered using the specified method shall not be accepted.

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\(^7\) The Diploma Supplement accompanies a higher education diploma, providing an improvement in international “transparency” and a promotion of the academic and professional qualifications obtained (diploma, degrees, certificates, etc.). The Diploma Supplement must be issued by the same institution that issued the qualification. Further information at: http://ec.europa.eu/education/tools/diploma-supplement_en.htm

\(^8\) e.g. IELTS minimum band score of 7 on each of the 4 modules of the academic version, Cambridge CAE (minimum grade B) or CPE; TOEFL IBT minimum score of 110; Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic minimum score 76.

\(^9\) Failure to provide reference forms does not result in the exclusion from the selection procedure.
Art. 6 – OFF SITE INTERVIEWS

Candidates who are not able to attend their interview in person – whether because they live abroad, or because of serious obstacles – may request, in their online application, that the Commission perform an "offsite interview" by video-conference. In such cases candidates must carefully fill in the relevant section of the online application ("Offsite interview") and identify a location, either a university or a diplomatic mission, and an official who can formally identify them before interview.

"Offsite interviews" will only be approved by the Admission Committee when they have verified that the interview is technically feasible.

Candidates applying for the PhD programme in Sociology and Social Research are required to fax their written test to the following number +39 0461 282335.

Art. 7 – ADMISSION COMMITTEE

The Admission Committee is appointed by the Rector, advised by the PhD Programme Committee. It is composed of three members chosen from among the university's permanent professors and researchers, including non-Italians, from the academic fields related to the PhD Programme. The Committee may also include a maximum of two other experts, including non-Italians, from either public or private research institutes.

The selection is based on:
- an assessment of qualifications (see Art. 5 of this announcement) in accordance with the criteria established by the Admission Committee (see attachment 1);
- for candidates whose academic qualifications are admissible, an interview in English intended to establish:
  - the extent of the candidate’s knowledge of the area of their research proposal;
  - their competence in English;
  - in the case of candidates competing for the scholarship focused on ‘Analysis and evaluation of local public policies and their impact on enterprises’, their knowledge of the specific topic of the scholarship.

Upon completion of the interview process, each Committee will finalize their ranking, combining the points assigned for qualifications with those for the interview.

Art. 8 – FINAL RANKING

The list of candidates eligible for interview will be published at:

The chosen candidates will be listed using their application ID. Candidates are therefore requested to take careful note of the application ID generated by the system once they have finished their online application.

The details of the interview – date, venue and time – will be available at least 20 days prior to the interview, at:

The ranked list (again using candidates’ application IDs) will be published on the website http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection.

Successful candidates will not receive any personal communications, since the ranked list of candidates will be posted on the website.

Candidates will be admitted to the PhD Programme according to their position in the ranking, until all the available places are filled.

Should two candidates obtain the same score:
- as regards the awarding of the scholarship, the candidates' economic situations shall be the deciding factor, in accordance with the criteria established by the Law of 9 April 2001 and subsequent amendments and integrations;
- when neither candidate has applied for a scholarship, the younger of the two candidates will be selected.
If a successful candidate withdraws before the beginning of the course (November 1st 2014), the next candidate in the ranking will be admitted.
This candidate is expected to accept the offer within 8 days of the date upon which they receive the communication from the Doctorate Office – Humanities Area.
If a candidate withdraws or is excluded before the end of the first quarter of the first year, the PhD Programme Committee may decide to offer their place to the next candidate on the shortlist.

In accordance with art. 20, part 3 of the University Regulations regarding PhD Programmes, the Admission Committee can admit candidates (see Attachment 1) more than provided for in the initial number of available places announced, as long as the candidate has been shortlisted, and without granting a scholarship. The extra candidate must belong to one of the following categories:
- a) shortlisted non-EU candidates who are granted scholarships by other entities;
- b) shortlisted candidates from countries which have specific inter-governmental agreements with Italy, and with which an ad-hoc agreement with the University is then made, without the University of Trento being required to assume any financial obligations;
- c) be a research fellow at the date of the beginning of the PhD programme and be researching a subject relevant to the PhD Research Programme; such relevance to be determined by the PhD Programme Committee;
- d) be employed in the public sector, or the state legal system. Admission is dependent on candidates being given leave of absence or exceptional leave, in accordance with article 2 of the Law of 13 August 1984, n. 476 and subsequent revisions.

Neither public employees who have already been awarded PhDs, nor those who have been enrolled on a PhD Programme for at least one academic year (having been granted exceptional leave), are entitled to exceptional leave, either with or without research grants, whatever their subject area.

Art. 9 – ADMISSION TO THE PHD PROGRAMME AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE OFFER

Successful candidates must accept their offers within 8 working days of publication of the final shortlist on the webpage [http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection](http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection) by completing a form downloadable from [http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1928/enrollment-1-2-3-year](http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1928/enrollment-1-2-3-year) and sending it to the following address:

**Doctorate Office – Humanities Area**  
Via Verdi, 26 – 38122 Trento (Italy)

Email [dottorati-citta@unitn.it](mailto:dottorati-citta@unitn.it) – fax +39 0461 282191

The enrolment request must be accompanied by the appropriate stamp duty and, if applicable, by proof of payment of the Provincial tax on university study (TDS).

Successful candidates with foreign academic qualifications, are required to provide the relevant office (University of Trento Doctorate Office – Humanities Area); Email [dottorati-citta@unitn.it](mailto:dottorati-citta@unitn.it) – fax +39 0461 282191 with the following, by 13 November 2014:

- The Declaration of Value, with the certificate of the foreign degree listing examinations and grades, translated and validated by the Italian Diplomatic mission or consulate in the country where the issuing institution is located. The Declaration of Value shall certify that the foreign qualification is valid in the country where the issuing institution is located and that it grants access to an academic course equivalent to the PhD Programme (third level of Higher Education, as for the Bologna Process – European Higher Education Area);

- Or, alternatively, the Diploma Supplement, in English, using the format set out by the European
Successful candidates who do not send or bring in their enrolment request within **8 days** of the publication of the final shortlist on the webpage [http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection](http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection) shall be considered to have withdrawn. Their places will be made available to other eligible candidates, in order of their position on the shortlist.

Candidates who are eligible to apply for the extra place must also request to be enrolled within 8 days of the publication of the ranked list. These candidates must provide documentary evidence of their eligibility. Enrolment for the extra place is subject to the limited places specified in the Attachment 1 in accordance with the final ranking.

**Art. 10 – ENROLMENT ON THE PHD PROGRAMME**

Enrolment on the PhD Programme, restricted to successful candidates who have accepted their places following the procedure set out in the previous article, will be automatically formalized as soon as the accreditation process at the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research has been completed. If accreditation is not given, candidates who have accepted the offer will immediately be informed by email. They will also be reimbursed for the Provincial tax on university study (TDS).

**Art. 11 – SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are assigned according to the merit-based shortlist, drawn up by the Admission Committee. The candidate awarded the scholarship related to ‘**Analysis and evaluation of local public policies and their impact on enterprises**’ must formally accept it. If the selected candidate withdraws, the next eligible candidate on the shortlist will be awarded the scholarship. If the scholarship in question is one of the project specific scholarships, the next candidate on the list must also have the required knowledge of the specific topic.

The scholarship is worth **€ 13,638.47** p.y., gross of any taxes for which the student may be legally liable. Scholarships are usually disbursed every two months, in advance. If a student is excluded from the programme, or suspends their participation, reimbursement of any advance payments will be required. PhD scholarships may not be combined with any other scholarships, apart from those awarded by Italian or foreign institutions to fund a student’s research abroad. The amount of the scholarship is increased by **50%** during study periods abroad (minimum 1 month and maximum 18), subject to prior authorisation by either the Academic Director or the PhD Programme Committee. The scholarship will be funded for the duration of the PhD Programme, provided that the student continues to meet the standards required. If students interrupt their attendance at the School for more than **30 days** the disbursement of their scholarship will be suspended. In case of withdrawal from the course at any stage, students will forfeit their entitlement to any further payments. Students who have already been awarded a scholarship in Italy for a PhD Programme are not allowed to receive another one.

**Art. 12 – PHD STUDENTS’ RIGHTS AND DUTIES**

Admission to the PhD Programme entails a full time and exclusive commitment for the student. Students are expected to attend their courses and seminars and to engage in constant study and research activities, in accordance with the programmes and modalities decided by the PhD Programme Committee, as stated in attachment 1 of this announcement. They are also required to present a report on their research to the PhD Programme Committee at the end of each year.

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10 At the date of publication of this announcement, Italian law (art. 2, paragraph 26 of Law 335/95 and subsequent amendments) states that scholarships, from 01/01/2014, are subject to pension fund contributions (INPS), of 22% or 28.72%, of which 1/3 will be charged to the candidate.
Students involved in co-tutelle programmes are required to respect the criteria regarding study and research activities set out in the agreement with the foreign university.

Upon careful consideration, the PhD Programme Committee may decide to exclude students from the School, with the consequent loss of any scholarship, in the following cases:

a) failure of exams or assessments during the 3 years of the PhD Programme;

b) if the PhD Programme Committee decides a student should not be allowed into the following year. The PhD Programme Committee will scrutinize both the results obtained during the academic year coming to a close, and the student's commitment and application to their research activities;

c) if the student has taken on paid work without the previous authorization of the Doctoral Programme Committee;

d) prolonged and unjustified absences.

The acceptance of a scholarship funded by an external institution for specific research obliges recipients to carry out the specified activities.

The University guarantees to provide, for the entire duration of the PhD Programme, insurance against accidents and civil responsibility, but solely with regard to activities performed in connection with the PhD Programme.

According to art. 2, part 1, of Law n. 476 of 13 August 1984 and subsequent amendments, public employees admitted to a PhD Programme may ask for leave without pay for study reasons, for the entire duration of the PhD Programme. They are also entitled to receive scholarships, provided the necessary requirements are met.

If an employee on study leave is admitted to the PhD Programme without a scholarship, or if they give up a scholarship, they are entitled to receive their normal pay and benefits. If, after obtaining their PhD, an employee subsequently resigns from public service within two years of the end of the PhD Programme, the employee must fully reimburse their employer for the pay received during the entire course.\footnote{For further information refer to the mentioned regulations.}

\textbf{Art. 13 – ADMISSION TO THE FINAL EXAM AND THE AWARDING OF PhDS}

The PhD Programme Committee, at the end of the course, gives a detailed evaluation of the students' activities throughout the programme. They also identify two or more referees, chosen from among both University of Trento faculty members and highly qualified researchers at other Italian, or foreign, institutions.

The submission of a student's thesis to their referees may - either on the careful consideration of the PhD Programme Committee or following a reasonable request by the student (which must be presented to the Academic Director at least 30 days before the end of the final year of the course) which is accepted by the Committee on both academic grounds and in the light of other circumstances – be deferred for a maximum period of 12 months after the normal duration of the PhD Programme.

Students must send their referees a copy of their dissertation and a report on their academic activities during the PhD Programme, including any publications.

The referees are required to give a detailed written analysis of the thesis and to either declare it ready to be defended, or in need of a (maximum of 6 month) period for further necessary revisions, additions or corrections.

The Final Exam takes place in the presence of an Exam Commission nominated by the PhD Programme Committee, in accordance with University Regulations on Doctoral Research, and appointed by the Rector. Candidates defend their theses in English. However, the use of another language may be agreed for students involved in co-tutor programmes.

Candidates who successfully defend their thesis are awarded a Ph.D. in ....together with, if available, the curriculum of the doctoral programme.

Candidates of the PhD programme in Development Economics and Local Systems (DELOS) are awarded a PhD. in Development Economics and Local Systems jointly by the University of Trento and the University of Florence.
Before being issued with their degree certificate, candidates must submit the final version of their dissertation to the University's open-access archive. The University guarantees the safe preservation of the dissertation and public access to it. The University is also legally required to ensure that the National Libraries of Rome and Florence receive copies of the dissertation.

Art. 14 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS TO RESEARCH RESULTS AND PUBLICATIONS

Without prejudice to the Italian law on copyright (legislative decree 633/1941 and subsequent amendments), the use of results derived from doctoral research conducted with scholarships financed by external bodies may be subject to restrictions imposed by specific funding agreements; doctoral grant-holders will be informed upon award of the scholarship of any such restrictions.

Art. 15 – PERSONAL DATA

The University of Trento, in accordance with the Legislative Decree 196/2003 (Personal data usage), shall use the personal details provided by the candidate for the sole purpose of participation in the selection procedure. Participation in the selection procedure implies, in the full respect of the above mentioned norms, that candidates implicitly accept that the results of the selection procedure be published on the website of the University of Trento. The University of Trento, via Calepina 14, 38122 Trento, is entitled to use candidates’ personal data.

Art. 16 – REGULATIONS


The Rector
Prof. Daria De Pretis

On behalf of the Rector
The Head of Education and Student Services
Dott. Paolo Zanei
1) PhD Programme in Economics and Management

The brochure of the Programme is available at [http://web.unitn.it/en/drss](http://web.unitn.it/en/drss)

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The Programme is aimed at forming theoretical and applied researchers in economic and managerial sciences, as well as providing highly qualified professional competences. The programme offers research training and advanced professional skills in the fields where today's increasing cross-fertilization between economic and managerial studies is more intense such as individual, strategic, and organisational decisions and behaviour; theories and analyses of market processes and dynamics; industrial and technological processes, and innovation management; corporate governance and human resource management; financial markets and corporate finance. Beside providing solid foundations in the relevant disciplines, the Programme is qualified by its focus on methodologies for rigorous empirical and behavioural approaches to economic and managerial studies, ranging from more traditional techniques to the more recent developments in the experimental and computational fields.

The doctoral programme:
The duration of the programme is 3 years for a total amount of 180 credits.
The doctoral training is the following:
1st year: compulsory attendance of core courses;
2nd year: advanced courses, seminars and preparation of the research proposal;
3rd year: research.
The Doctoral Programme may offer some preparatory courses and ‘crash courses’ from October 2014. The attendance of the above mentioned courses will be checked up case by case through individual talks.
The Admission Committee may exempt the candidate from the requirement to attend all the first year courses.
Doctoral students are admitted to the 2nd year when they have completed the 1st year coursework and have accomplished the requirements fixed in the Regulations of the Doctoral Programme in Economics and Management here available [http://web.unitn.it/en/drss/16268/rules-and-regulations](http://web.unitn.it/en/drss/16268/rules-and-regulations).
A “Certificate of Advanced Studies in Economics and Management” is awarded upon successful completion of the 1st year.
During their 2nd and 3rd year doctoral students are requested to spend a period of research in Italy or abroad. Further information on the structure of the Programme and research abroad is available at [http://web.unitn.it/en/drss](http://web.unitn.it/en/drss).

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**Selection Requirements**

Applicants will be shortlisted according to the output of the title assessment as stated in art. 5 of the call. The list of the candidates admitted to the interview will be published at [http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection](http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection). The chosen candidates will be listed using their application ID. Candidates are therefore requested to take careful note of the application ID generated by the system once they have finished their online application. The shortlisted candidates will be interviewed in English language in order to assess their competences, research skills and their motivation. If no English certificate at least level C1 has been provided in the application, the candidate’s English knowledge will be tested during the interview. The candidates can express their specific interest towards the scholarship on “Behavioral Economics applied to public policy and social welfare” for the scholarship on "Analysis and evaluation of local public policies and their impact on enterprises”. During the interview the specific eligibility to this subject will be examined. The scholarship “Analysis and evaluation of local public policies and their impact on enterprises” is assigned upon the assessment of the candidate’s knowledge of German at the C2 level in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).
Applicants must present a valid identification document to be admitted to the interview. Conditions for the off-site interview are ruled in art. 6 of this Call.

At the end of the selection procedure the Admission Committee will draw up the ranking of candidates based on the score obtained in the interview. The candidate who has been awarded the scholarships related to the topics “Analysis and evaluation of local public policies and their impact on enterprises” must accept the offer because grants non related to a topic are considered as a lower preference.

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2) PhD Programme in Development Economics and Local Systems – DELOS

The brochure of the Programme is available at [http://web.unitn.it/en/drss](http://web.unitn.it/en/drss)

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The PhD Programme:
The PhD Programme in Development Economics and Local Systems (DELoS) is a joint doctoral Programme between the University of Trento (lead partner for the XXX cycle) and the University of Florence. Both universities agree jointly to award a single PhD degree (“Dottore di Ricerca in Development Economics and Local Systems – DELoS”).

The PhD Programme aims to develop the following knowledge and skills:

• Research and training activities in applied economics both in academics and at firms level, systems of firms, public and private research centers, and international, national and non – governmental organizations
• Impact analysis of policies and evaluation/management of Programmes and projects

The PhD Programme is organized in two curricula:

• Development Economics
• Economics of Local Systems

Both curricula need a good knowledge of the economic and behavioural dynamics both in developed and developing economies.

The curricula aim to train doctoral students in the following fields:

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<td>• Research and training activity in development both in academics and in public and private research centers;</td>
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<td>• Firms or SME’s networks aiming to enhance a fair and sustainable development with activities involving investment and technology transfer.</td>
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In the application the candidate is required to choose the curriculum s/he opts for.

Candidates competing for one of curriculum must submit a proposal whose subject matter is relevant to the research areas of the curriculum.

The doctoral training is the following:

1\(^{st}\) year: training courses - mandatory and elective;
2\(^{nd}\) year: advanced courses, seminars and preparation of the research proposal, research activities in Italy and/or abroad;
3\(^{rd}\) year: research.

First year activities will be held in both universities: first semester in Trento and second semester in Florence.

Doctoral students are admitted to the 2\(^{nd}\) year when they have completed the 1st year coursework and have accomplished the requirements fixed in the Regulations of the Doctoral Programme in Development Economics and Local Systems here available [http://web.unitn.it/en/drss/16268/rules-and-regulations](http://web.unitn.it/en/drss/16268/rules-and-regulations).

During their 2\(^{nd}\) and 3\(^{rd}\) year doctoral students are requested to spend a period of research in Italy or abroad.

Further information on the structure of the Programme and research abroad is available [http://web.unitn.it/en/drss](http://web.unitn.it/en/drss).

The Doctoral Programme may offer some preparatory courses and ‘crash courses’ from October 2014. The attendance of the above mentioned courses will be checked up case by case through individual talks.

Both the didactic and research activity will be in collaboration with foreign Universities as well as with international institutions like OECD, UNDP, etc.
**Doctoral places:**

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**Selection Requirements**

Selection process is based on candidates’ titles, research project and an interview. Applicants will be shortlisted according to the output of the title assessment as stated in art. 5 of the call. The list of the candidates admitted to the interview will be published at:


The chosen candidates will be listed using their application ID. Candidates are therefore requested to take careful note of the application ID generated by the system once they have finished their online application.

The shortlisted candidates will be interviewed in English language in order to assess their competences, research skills and their motivation. Off-site interviews are also available. Conditions for the off-site interview are ruled in art. 6 of this Call.

Candidates are required to enclose every useful document (English certificate at least level C1 and other foreign language, list of publications, other documents etc) as stated in art. 5 of the Call.

At the end of the selection procedure the Admission Committee will draw up the ranking of candidates based on the score obtained in the interview.

**Programme of the interview**

The interview will be focused on the basic knowledge of the topics of the Doctoral Programme and the research project, on the previous experiences and qualifications of the candidates in relation to the curriculum and research areas of the doctoral Programme.

**Criteria of assessment**

The selection outcome is given from the evaluation of the interview. To be admitted in the overall ranking candidates shall score at least: 60/100.
### 3) PhD programme in Sociology and Social Research

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**The Doctoral Programme:**

The duration of the Programme is 3 years for a total amount of 180 credits. The Doctoral Programme in Sociology aims at forming highly qualified researchers able to do both applied and fundamental research in Universities and scientific research centres or market research institutes.

In particular, the Programme aims to educate professionals that will be able to apply their knowledge in an interdisciplinary fashion, based on the education they acquire during this post-graduate Programme in the various areas covered by the Department of Sociology and Social Research.

To this aim, the training programme aims to enhance the study of the sociological theory. Students are encouraged to confront themselves with theories, approaches and methodologies of all social sciences.

The main qualitative and quantitative research techniques as well as data analyses are explored.

The training programme is structured in two levels:

1° year: activities will be mainly dedicated to the coursework, to the preparation of papers and assignments as well of the research project.

2° and 3° year: seminars and research work.

Doctoral students are admitted to the 2nd year when they have completed the 1st year coursework and have accomplished the requirements fixed in the Regulations of the Doctoral programme in Sociology and Social Research here available [http://web.unitn.it/en/drss/16268/rules-and-regulations](http://web.unitn.it/en/drss/16268/rules-and-regulations).

In the Manifesto Studiorum a list of the courses and their content is described. Attendance is mandatory for all doctoral students.

The Doctoral Programme may offer some preparatory courses and ‘crash courses’ of specialization from October 2014. The attendance of the above mentioned courses will be checked up on case by base through individual talks.

During their 2nd and 3rd year doctoral students are requested to spend a period of research in Italy or abroad.

Further information on the structure of the Programme and research abroad is available on the webpage: [http://web.unitn.it/en/drss](http://web.unitn.it/en/drss)

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**Total places:**

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**Additional places:**

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**Selection requirements**

A shortlist will be compiled according to the outputs of two assessments:
- titles assessment and evaluation of the research project according to art. 5 of the call;
- multiple choice test.

The multiple choice test will assess the level of knowledge of the candidates on the methodology and the main techniques adopted by the contemporary social research.


After the titles assessment and the research project evaluation, the list of the shortlisted candidates will be posted at: [http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection](http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection).

Once test results will be provided, the list of the candidates admitted to the interview will be posted at: [http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection](http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1963/announcement-of-selection).

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Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed in English in order to assess their competences, research skills and their motivation. If no English certificate at least level C1 has been provided in the application, candidate’s English knowledge will be tested during the interview.

Applicants must present a valid identification document to be admitted to the interview.

Conditions for the multiple choice test and the off-site interview are ruled in art. 6 of this Call.

The Admission Committee compiles a ranking list according to the results of the interview.

**Programme of the interview**
The interview will assess the level of knowledge of the candidates on the main theoretical and methodological topics of Sociology; the interview will further check up on the research areas of interests of the candidates as presented in their project as well as their connections to the intellectual and professional profile of the candidates.

**Criteria of assessment**
The selection outcome is given from the evaluation of the interview. The assessment of the titles has no relevance. To be admitted in the overall ranking candidates shall score at least: 60/100.
FORM A

Declaration substituting

DEGREE CERTIFICATE
(Art. 46 - lettera l, m, n - D.P.R. 28 dicembre 2000, n. 445)

The undersigned __________________________________________________________

Place of birth (city+country) __________________________________________ date of birth ________________________

Official residence (street, number, zip code, city, country) ________________________________

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Mobile ___________________________ e – mail _______________________________________

aware of the penal sanctions pursuant to Art. 76 of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000 for falsifying
documents and making mendacious declarations

DECLARRES

A) To have graduated in: ____________________________________________________________

Graduation Date: ____________________________ with mark ___________ out of ____________

Type of degree: ☐ Master’s degree/Laurea Magistrale
☐ Other (specify) ______________________________________________________________

University of: _______________________________________________________________________

City and Country: ___________________________________________________________________

and to have passed the following exams (fill in the subsequent Part C, mandatory both in case A and B)

OR ALTERNATIVELY

B) To have not graduated yet, and to be aware that admission to the PhD Programme is conditional
upon the presentation of the degree certificate by the scheduled date in the call.

Currently studying (subject) __________________________________________________________

Type of degree: ☐ Master’s degree ☐ Other (specify) ________________________________

At the University of: __________________________________________________________ Country: ______________

Expected date for final degree defense: ________________________________________________

and to have passed the following exams (fill in the subsequent Part C, mandatory both in case A and B)

Part C: list of examinations passed and registered at the above mentioned University (all data are
mandatory):
This declaration is exempt from stamp duties, pursuant to Art. 37 of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000.

*The present declaration does not require authentication of the signature nor the signature should be affixed in the presence of the person assigned to receive the document. If sent, the signatory should add a copy of his own identification document to the present certificate.