1. Aim of the Action

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship (MSCA IF) - Seal of Excellence 2020 - Internal call for expression of interest is promoted in the framework of the 2017-2021 UniTrento Strategic Plan aiming at strengthening the autonomy and independence of young researchers, approved by the Academic Senate in the session of 18 July 2018. The selection will offer a one-year grant at UniTrento (in the Department/Center identified in the proposal) to researchers who i) have submitted a project to the MSCA - IF call 2020 with UniTrento as host institution, ii) have been awarded with the Seal of Excellence1, and iii) were listed in the Panel specific shortlist or scored not more than 3/100 below the panel specific pay-line in the MSCA-IF call 2020. The one-year fellowship will be aimed at implementing the research activity related to the previously submitted MSCA-IF project proposal and to further improve it in order to re-apply with UniTrento as host institution to the next MSCA-IF 2021 call.

2. Eligible applicants

The internal selection is addressed to researchers who:
- applied to the MSCA-IF 2020 call with UniTrento as host institution and have been awarded with the Seal of Excellence;
- have been shortlisted in their specific panel or have received a score not more than 3/100 below the panel specific pay-line;
- are eligible according to the MSCA mobility rules;
- meet the requirements provided for in the UniTrento Regulations n. 8 of 10 January 2018 “Regolamento reclutamento e la progressione di carriera di professori e di ricercatori e per il conferimento degli assegni di ricerca di cui all'art. 22, l. 240/2010”.

3. Submission

Candidates must submit the following documentation:
- Expression of interest, signed by the candidate, the Supervisor of the MSCA - IF 2020 project and the Director of the Department/Center where the research activity will take place (see model attached).

Applications must be sent in electronic format according to the template attached to this call to research.support@unitn.it by 28th May 2021.

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1 The Seal of Excellence is a quality label awarded to project proposals submitted to Horizon 2020 – MSCA-IF which score 85% or above and could not be funded due to a lack of budget.
Please specify in the email subject: UniTrento MSCA_SoE2020_name and surname of the applicant_department/center.

4. Evaluation procedure
In accordance with the aims and the objectives of the Seal of Excellence - MSCA, a ranking of eligible EoIs applications will be made based on the scores already assigned by the European Commission as indicated in the Evaluation Summary Report of the projects. Only panel specific shortlisted applications and applications that scored not more than 3/100 below the panel specific pay-line in the MSCA-IF call 2020 will be considered eligible for funding. The ranking will be approved by the Academic Senate, which will decide the number of grants to be funded according to the available budget. The Directorate of Research Services and Valorization will communicate the outcome of the assessment within 30 days after the call deadline.

5. Funding
The gross annual remuneration for each research grant corresponds to € 30,000 (€ 36,850 with administration costs included) plus an endowment of € 5,000.00 as a research fund. The fellowship will be suspended in case of any funding granted by the European Commission to the fellow.

6. Reporting
Funded applicants will have to promptly communicate any changes in the activity plan. They also have to submit a final report within 30 days after the end of the project, that should detail the activities developed and the proposal submitted in the framework of the project.

7. Public access to documents
The call and all the related documents will be published at the following webpage:
https://www.unitn.it/ricerca/96149/attrazione-dei-talenti

8. Personal data
According to art. 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 "General Regulation on the protection of personal data", the University will process personal data collected within its institutional purposes exclusively for the purposes related to the carrying out of the selection procedure (art. 6, paragraph 1, letter e), art. 9, paragraph 2, letter g), art. 10 of the GDPR).
The Data Controller is the University of Trento, via Calepina n. 14, 38122 Trento, email: ateneo@pec.unitn.it; ateneo@unitn.it. Data Protection Officer can be contacted at rpd@unitn.it.
The processing of personal data will be carried out in paper form and / or computerized only by personnel authorized to process data in relation to the tasks and duties assigned and in compliance with the principles of lawfulness, correctness, transparency, adequacy, relevance and necessity.
At any time, the rights referred to in Articles 15 and following of the GDPR can be exercised against the Data Controller and, in particular, access to their personal data, rectification, integration, cancellation, limitation of the processing that concerns them and the right to oppose their treatment. The right to lodge a complaint with the Guarantor for the protection of personal data of art. 77 of the GDPR is reserved.

Attachment 1: Application form