



ECIU - RESEARCH-MOBILITY-FUND 2019-20 INTERNAL CALL FOR PROPOSALS

1. Aim of the Call for proposals

The University of Trento is a member of **the European Consortium of Innovative Universities - ECIU**, a leading international consortium of research intensive universities, with collective emphasis on innovation, creativity and societal impact, driving the development of a knowledge-based economy. In this context, the University of Trento has adopted a **Research Mobility Fund of € 20.000,00** per year for the two-year- period 2019-2020, aiming at increasing mobility of its researchers to the universities of the [ECIU network](#).

Researchers from UniTrento interested in establishing or extending high-profile collaborative scientific relations with ECIU partners may apply to the following calls for proposal:

- **1st call open from 1st March to 30th April 2019;**
- **2nd call open from 16th December 2019 to 14th February 2020.**

2. Eligibility criteria

- Applicants must be researchers with an **active contract with the University of Trento (assegnista and/or post-doc collaborator, fixed-term researcher RTD - A, fixed-term researcher RTD - B)** at the time of the proposed mobility. Applicants must enclose the formal confirmation of the host institution;
- The Research Mobility Fund is open to **all disciplines**; preferences are given to applications addressing the ECIU joint strategic research areas of [Smart Society](#) e [Manufacturing 4.0](#).
- Applicants are encouraged to spend **a minimum stay of one week at the host institution**. The maximum duration of the mobility is negotiated on an individual basis. The mobility period needs to be concluded by 31 December 2020.

3. Funding

The University of Trento will allocate to this initiative € 20.000,00 per year for the two-year period 2019-2020. Applicants can apply for **up to € 5.000** funding to foster the development of international research collaborations within ECIU.

4. Eligible costs and activities

- The funding should be used primarily for **outgoing travel and associated subsistence costs** (according to UniTrento internal regulations). If experiments are planned, coverage of lab costs (including access costs) is to be agreed between both participating institutions. Attendance fees for conferences or symposia are not eligible.
- During the mobility period, the researcher must be employed or have an active contract with UniTrento and therefore must check to have a **valid insurance coverage** in the host country;
- **The fund has to be spent no later than 31st December 2020**. Once the grant has ended, funds cannot be used



5. Reporting

Funded applicants will have to submit a **final report** (to be provided within 30 days after the end of the mobility period). The report should contain:

- A description of the outcomes of the visit, namely specific output activities and further follow-up plans
- A description of the expenses incurred.

6. Application procedure

An application to the ECIU Research Mobility Fund consists of:

- an application form (completely filled and signed)
- a short CV of the applicant.

All documents have to be signed by the applicant and sent as PDF files by email to the following e-mail address ((not PEC): research.support@unitn.it by:

- **1st call: 30th April 2019 at 12:00 a.m.;**
- **2nd call: 14th February 2020 at 12:00 a.m.**

Applicants need to specify in the email subject: "UniTrento ECIU mobility fund_Surname of the applicant_department/center".

For further information and/or clarifications, please contact the research offices:

- polo Città: citta.research@unitn.it
- polo Collina: collina.research@unitn.it
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7. Proposal evaluation

The Academic Senate of the University of Trento will appoint an **internal Evaluation Committee composed of academic staff members**. One representative of the Research Support and Technology Transfer Division will act as secretary of the Committee.

The Committee will evaluate the proposals received, which will be assessed according to the following evaluation criteria:

- the quality and impact of the proposed collaboration, specifically: 1) Research goals and expected outcomes from proposed collaboration; 2) benefits of the knowledge exchange between the institutions; 3) long-term sustainability of the collaboration after the end of the mobility period; 4) Application is economically budgeted
- the CV of the applicant.

8. Public access to documents.

The call and all related documents will be published at the following webpage: <https://www.unitn.it/node/75960>