



UNIVERSITY
OF TRENTO - Italy

**Call for PhD positions in the Doctoral Programme
in “Cognitive and Brain Sciences”
34th cycle
Academic Year 2018-19**

N.B. Please note that only the Italian version of the present call issued with Rector’s Decree n. 254 of 17th April 2018 is legally binding, the English version is provided for information only.



Art. 1 – PURPOSE OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT

The University of Trento announces the 34th cycle of the Doctoral Programme in Cognitive and Brain Sciences for the 2018/2019 academic year.

Application deadline: May 31 2018, 4:00PM (Italian time)

Places: n. 11

Scholarships: n. 11

Supernumerary postgraduate research positions: n. 2 (*available for candidates who fulfil the requirements set out in art. 8*).

The grants (four years) are financed as follows:

- **n. 5 grants** financed by the **University of Trento** (*1 of which with the financial support of the **Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Trento e Rovereto***);
- **n. 2 grants** related to the appropriate funds allocated within the programme “**Departments of Excellence**” (Italian Law 232/2016), on the topic “*Advanced neuroimaging methods for the study of brain and cognition*”;
- **n. 1 grant** financed by the **Italian Institute of Technology** on the topic “*Neural coding*”;
- **n. 1 grant** financed by the **Italian Institute of Technology** on the topic “*Computational cognitive neuroscience*”;
- **n. 1 grant** financed by the **Italian Institute of Technology** on the topic “*Brain functional connectivity in models of neuropsychiatric disorders*”;
- **n. 1 grant** financed by the **Fondazione Bruno Kessler** on the topic “*Computational methods for longitudinal studies of structural brain connectivity*”.

The topic-specific grants are conditional to the execution of a particular research topic for which specific skills are required. Those interested in one or more topic-specific grant should carefully check the topic and required skillset indicated on the web page www.unitn.it/drcimec/topic-specific-grants.

Duration: 4 years

Beginning of the academic year: November 1, 2018

Programme Director: Prof. Francesco Pavani – Tel. + 39 0464 808617 – Email: phd.cimec@unitn.it

Doctorate website: <http://www.unitn.it/drcimec>

Selection website: <http://www.unitn.it/en/node/1942>

Webpage about rights and duties of PhD students: <http://www.unitn.it/en/node/52919>

Official language of the PhD Programme: English

Scientific areas: M-PSI/01 General Psychology
M-PSI/02 Psychobiology and Physiological Psychology
M-PSI/04 Developmental Psychology and Education
M-PSI/08 Clinical Psychology
MED/26 Neurology
FIS/01 Experimental Physics
L-LIN/01 Linguistics
BIO/09 Physiology
M-FIL/05 Philosophy and Theory of Language
ING-INF/05 Information Processing Systems

Information about the scholarship: <http://www.unitn.it/en/node/1937/>



The number of places covered by scholarships and/or by internship contracts and by other potential financial support may be increased by funds from other universities, public research bodies or prestigious private companies, that become available after the publication of this announcement and before the oral examination. Such occurrence will be communicated online, and nowhere else, at this [selection's webpage](#).

IMPORTANT

The results of the selection (qualifications assessment and interview) will be published at the [selection's webpage](#), together with the list of applicants (using their application ID) that are not admitted to the selection after a formal check or after the evaluation of the foreign qualification.

No personal note will be sent to excluded candidates, the online ranking list will be the only official information.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the following articles 5 co. 8 and 6 co. 5 of this selection announcement, any notices related to the selection will be sent by e-mail to the e-mail address indicated in the online application in the "Email address for notification" section. It is therefore advisable to regularly check your inbox and inform the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (phd.office-cssh@unitn.it) of any changes to the email address reported in the online application.

Art. 2 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Applications for admission to the selection process are accepted from candidates regardless of gender, age and nationality, who hold:
 - a) an Italian "Laurea Magistrale" (Master's Degree) according to Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22 October 2004, or
 - b) a second level degree awarded by an Italian "AFAM" Institute (Artistic and Musical Higher Education) or a university degree awarded under the previous regulations, or
 - c) an equivalent degree qualification obtained abroad (Master's Degree) at a recognized Institution, which:
 - allows access to an equivalent PhD course in the country/higher education system of origin (unless substantial differences are encountered);
 - is equivalent to the Italian Laurea magistrale (Master's Degree), in terms of duration, level and subject area¹;
 - is considered suitable² by the Admission Committee for the sole purpose of the admission to the PhD Programme.
2. Applications are also accepted from candidates who expect to obtain their degree/equivalent qualification abroad, **by 26 October 2018**.
In this case admission is "conditional" and applicants must submit the degree certificate (or a self-declaration, see [Form A](#)) to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it; fax n. +39 0461 282191) **no later than 31 October 2018. Failure to provide the certificate by this date will lead to forfeiture of grant and position.**
3. Applicants with a foreign university degree that has already been officially recognized equivalent³ to an Italian degree by a relevant office of an Italian University, must submit the details of the decree of equivalence (the Italian Rector's Decree issued by the university) in their application.
4. Applicants with a foreign university degree that has not yet been officially recognized equivalent (see point no. 3) to an Italian degree must submit a request for equivalence in their application.
It's in the applicant's best interest to provide all elements necessary for evaluation, especially in case the educational system of the country where the title was obtained is incomparable with the Italian one.
The Evaluation Committee reserves the right to ask applicants to provide additional documentation, if deemed necessary, in order to be considered for the selection.

¹ For more information on the Italian University system visit the webpage: <http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/study/new-degrees.html>

² The eligibility of the foreign qualifications is assessed by the Admission Committee in accordance with the legislation in force and with international treaties or agreements concerning the recognition of qualifications for continuing the studies.

³ For further information: <http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/procedure-di-riconoscimento-dei-titoli/procedure-di-riconoscimento-accademico-dei-titoli.aspx> - Section 3 "Nostrification procedure (equipollenza)"



5. The list of candidates' IDs whose academic degree has been considered not eligible for the admission selection by the Evaluation Committee will be available at the [selection's web page](#).

Art. 3 – THE DOCTORATE PROGRAMME

The educational programme takes advantage of the strengths of the Center for Mind/Brain Sciences (CIMeC), namely the multi-disciplinary nature of the Center and of its faculty and the availability of cutting-edge research Laboratories.

The doctorate programme offers a multidisciplinary education that allows doctoral students to acquire skills in specific areas of fundamental and applied research. The programme encourages professional development in innovative and experimental fields that span different scientific areas.

Doctoral students are expected to play an active role in their education by taking part in seminars, workshops and training courses. An integral part of this training is the research-based thesis.

The areas and relative research topics activated are as follows:

- Perception and attention
- Numerical cognition
- Neurostimulation
- Neuroimaging methods and analyses
- Neurodevelopmental disorders
- Motor control and action planning
- Language
- Development
- Decision making and thinking
- Conceptual representations
- Computational neuroscience, cognition and imaging
- Cognitive neurorehabilitation
- Animal cognition

Some research projects proposed for the 34th cycle of the Doctorate, along with related researchers, are listed at the following webpage: <http://www.unitn.it/drcimec/research-topics>. The topics listed there can be used as reference for the research project in your application (see Art. 4).

The topic-specific grants that have been activated for the 34th cycle of the Doctorate can be found here at <http://www.unitn.it/drcimec/topic-specific-grants>, along with their relative descriptions. These may be used as a reference for the research project in your application (see Art. 4).

Lessons and all activities of the Doctorate are in English.

Further details regarding the Student Handbook and study plan, the internal regulation, admission to the second and third year and title conferral, can be found on-line at <http://www.unitn.it/drcimec/>.

Art. 4 – APPLICATION

1. The application must be definitely and positively closed by 4:00 p.m. Italian time of **May 31, 2018**. Candidates have to complete the on-line application and upload all the required attachments, available on <http://www.unitn.it/en/apply/dott>.
2. Applicants who don't already have a UNITN account must register⁴ on the University's website at <http://www.unitn.it/en/account>.
3. Participation in the selection process is subject to the payment of a non-reimbursable application fee of **€15.00 by credit card**⁵, as indicated in the appropriate section of the application ('Selection participation

⁴ Candidates are invited to not wait until the last few days before the deadline for the submission of the application. In order to get login information, and therefore access the online application portal, it could take up to two full working days.

⁵ The University accepts payments from the following circuits: Visa (e.g. Nexi/Cartasi, Postepay), V-pay, Maestro, MasterCard, NexiPay, MasterPass Wallet.



fee').

4. **Administration highly recommends that candidates make sure to have received the notification email confirming that their application has been successfully completed and submitted. UNITN refuses any responsibility for all those applications not properly closed by candidates.**
5. Candidates will be considered totally responsible of their applications. Incomplete or irregular applications, or applications transmitted in ways other than those dictated in this article, shall not be considered valid and candidates will consequently be excluded from selection process.
6. All applicants are admitted to the selection conditionally upon ascertaining that they fulfil the admission requirements.
The University of Trento has the right to verify the documents delivered pursuant to articles 71 et seq. of the Presidential Decree n. 445 of the 28.12.2000.
7. For justified reasons the Doctoral Programme has the right to exclude from this selection applicants who fail to fulfil the requirements necessary for the selection.
8. According to Italian Law n. 104/92, Art. 20 and to Italian Law n. 68/99, Art. 16 (1), applicants with special needs or with learning disabilities, according to their particular disability may explicitly request special assistance or extra time during the examinations in their application. Under Legislative Decree 196/03, all information will be kept confidential.
9. The application is to be considered for all purposes of the law as a self-certification of personal data and declared qualifications.
10. **COMPULSORY ATTACHMENTS** (failure to upload one or more compulsory attachments results in expulsion from the selection)⁶:

1) Identity document (ID):

a copy of the **identity card** (for EU citizens) **or** of the **passport** (pages with photo, personal data, place and time of issue of the document, expiration date of the document);

2) Copy of the university degree:

• **applicants with an Italian degree:**

- a self-declaration (**by using Form A**), according to the Presidential Decree Article 46 n. 445 of 28.12.2000 and later amendments, stating:
 - the possession of the degree (see Art. 2),
 - type of degree,
 - conferral date,
 - issuing University,
 - final grade,
 - list of exams, date taken, credits and grades obtained. (Graduates from the University of Trento must only declare the date in which the degree was conferred. Remaining information will be procured ex officio).

*The following two points refer to **Italian degree** applicants who **have not yet obtained their degree, who expect to complete it by October 26, 2018 and therefore “conditionally” admitted to the selection:***

- a certificate of enrolment, list of exams, date taken, credits and grades obtained with the expected degree conferral date **by using Form A**; currently enrolled UNITN applicants need only declare the expected degree conferral date. Remaining information will be procured ex officio.
- a statement from the thesis supervisor or other academic supervisor/staff declaring that conferral of the University degree will occur **by October 26, 2018**.
- **Applicants with a foreign degree:**
 - academic degree, in the original language, necessary for access to the PhD programme (see art. 2 co. 2);
Should the diploma not be available at this point of the application process, certification of having obtained the degree issued by the Institution will suffice and the list of exams with their credits and marks (Transcript of Records), and translations in English must be uploaded.. If the

⁶ The list of candidates (identified by their ID #) who are not deemed eligible due to an incomplete application, will be published on the University's web address www.unitn.it/en/1942.



academic career occurred with first and second level university degrees then also the first level degree certificate (*Bachelor's degree*) and the list of exams in order to obtain the relative title (*academic transcript of records di Bachelor's degree*).

If the language of your diploma or of the list of exams is different from English or French, the applicant will have to submit a translation in English, which can be done by the candidate under her/his own responsibility, in order to allow the Admission Committee to evaluate the eligibility of the certificate, for the sole purpose of participating in this admissions process.

In addition, if available, one of the following documents:

- *Diploma Supplement*⁷ (according to the model developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO / CEPES);
- *Declaration of value*⁸ which certifies that the educational qualification is valid in the country of achievement for being admitted to Doctoral programme (third level of higher education according to the Bologna Process - European Higher Education Area; EQF level 8); The Declaration of value can be replaced by the *Statement of comparability - university qualification*⁹ awarded by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA) that contains all the information necessary for the evaluation of the qualification;
- *Rector's Decree of "Equivalence-academic recognition of the title"*¹⁰.

The following two points refer to *foreign degree* applicants who *have not yet obtained their degree, who expect to complete it by October 26, 2018 and are therefore "conditionally" admitted to the selection:*

- An enrolment certificate with the list of examinations taken and the corresponding mark (Transcript of records) received, in the original language, with a translation in English or French;
If the academic career occurred with first and second level university degrees then also the first level degree certificate (*Bachelor's degree*) and the list of exams in order to obtain the relative title (*academic transcript of records di Bachelor's degree*).
If the language in which the certificates are issued are other than English or French then the applicant will have to submit a translation in English or French, which can be done by the candidate under her/his own responsibility.
- a letter signed by the thesis supervisor stating that the candidate will obtain the academic title **by October 26, 2018.**

- 3) **Curriculum vitae** in English, up-to-date and dated, that includes a list of scientific papers, if any, and preferably based on the [Europass model](#);
- 4) **Anonymous Research Statement** ([form is downloadable here](#)) that consists in **Part A** – Background and Motivation Letter; **Part B** – Statement of Research Interest, and **Part C** – Research Project Proposal. The aim of the research project proposal is such that the applicant may demonstrate his/her ability to express and evaluate hypotheses. **Only one Research Statement is allowed per candidate.** Candidates are advised to consult www.unitn.it/drcimec/research-topics, which lists the research topics of the Doctorate and relative proponent (potential supervisor of the thesis), as well as <http://www.unitn.it/drcimec/topic-specific-grants> which lists topic-specific grants, their descriptions and supervisors;

⁷ The Diploma Supplement is a document attached to the final qualification, intended to improve international "transparency" and to facilitate academic and professional qualification recognition (diplomas, degrees, certificates etc.). The Diploma Supplement must be issued by the same institution which has given the diploma.

<http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/il-sistema-italiano-di-istruzione-superiore/diploma-supplement.aspx>

http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/doc1239_en.htm

⁸ See: <http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/procedure-di-riconoscimento-dei-titoli/glossario.aspx>;
<http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studying/info-07.html>

⁹ See: <http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/attestati-di-comparabilita-e-certificazione-dei-titoli/attestati-comparabilita-certificazione-titoli-overview.aspx>

¹⁰ See <http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/procedure-di-riconoscimento-dei-titoli/procedure-di-riconoscimento-accademico-dei-titoli.aspx> - Section 3) "Nostrification procedure (equipollenza)".



11. In a specific section of the online application you will be also required to declare that your knowledge of the **English language** is equal to or above CEFR B2 level. Advanced knowledge of the English language is a **fundamental prerequisite** in order to participate in the PhD programme. In this section it will also be possible to upload, if available, a certificate¹¹ proving your level of English knowledge or a document proving that you attended a High School, Bachelor's or Master's level course entirely in English. If no English certificate is provided then the candidate's English knowledge will be tested during the interview.
12. **OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS:**
- other titles, such as international tests (i.e. GRE or equivalent);
 - other documentation useful to attest the candidate's research skills and abilities (documentation pertaining to awards, academic activity and post-degree research, etc).
 - Up to **two Academic Reference Forms**¹² filled out by experts structured as University staff or in national or international research organizations. Within 24 hours of completing and saving the online *Referees* section, the online application system sends an email directly to *Referees* chosen by the applicant with the attached form and instructions on filling it out and transmitting it to the University. It is highly recommended that applicants verify that their *Referees* send the *Academic Reference Forms* no later than **June 8, 2018**.
13. Should candidates wish to add further documentation to the application after having already submitted the application, they may do so **by the deadline of the selection announcement** emailing ateneo@unitn.it. In this case, **the subject line should be:** *Application ID - Candidate's Last Name and Name – Doctoral Course in Cognitive and Brain Sciences 34th cycle - "integrazione domanda"*.

Documentation sent by other means (e.g.: email to phd.cimec@unitn.it) **will not be accepted**.

Art. 5 – APPLICANT EVALUATION

1. Upon hearing the Doctoral Programme Committee the Rector appoints the Admissions Committee. It consists of at least three members chosen among Italian and foreign professors and researchers, who are experts in the scientific areas of the Doctorate. The Committee may also include up to two experts, even foreign, of public and private national and international research organizations.
2. The selection exams are intended to assess the applicant's preparation and aptitude towards scientific research with specific reference to the chosen research topic.
3. The selection takes place as follows:
 - evaluation of the qualifications and the Research Statement presented by the candidate in the application (described above in Art. 4.10) on the basis of criteria established at the beginning of the selection process by the admissions Committee;
 - an oral examination in English intended to assess the basic knowledge, the aptitude of the candidate and the Research Statement submitted.Active and passive English language skills of the candidate will also be verified.
4. Candidates who intend to compete also for a topic-specific grant, indicated in article n.1 of this call, must express their interest in the online application, choosing at most 2 topics and the order of preference.
5. Candidates may also opt for topic-specific grants made available after the deadline of this call. In order to be considered for the additional topic-specific grant/s, the candidates must express their intention to the Committee following the instructions given by the PhD Administrator and changing, if needed, the order of preference given in the online application.
Candidates who compete also for a topic-specific grant will be evaluated on the knowledge of the specific subject matter(s) of that grant.
6. The option for a topic-specific grant expressed by a candidate implies the preference of the candidate for the award of that specific scholarship with respect to all others.
7. The Admissions Committee has an overall score of 120 points available, partitioned in the following way:
 - 60 points for the qualifications assessment;
 - 60 points for the oral examination.

¹¹ List of [international certifications](#) recognized by the University of Trento.

¹² In case the two reference forms are not available the candidate will not be excluded by the selection procedure.



In order to be admitted to the oral examination candidates must obtain a minimum score of 36/60 from the qualifications assessment.

8. The results of the qualifications assessment will be published at the [selection's webpage](#)¹³.
9. The oral exam is aimed at verifying the level of knowledge held in the scientific discipline of the research project presented;

Candidates who do not upload to the online application English language certification equal to or above CEFR B2 level will be evaluated for their knowledge of active and passive English by the committee during the oral examination. In order to take the oral examination candidates must present a valid photo ID.

The oral examination is considered passed with a minimum score of 36/60.

Instructions pertaining to the date, time and location of the oral examination will be published at least 20 days before they take place on the [selection's website](#).

10. Candidates who are unable to attend the interview in person - whether because they live abroad, or because of serious impediments - may request that the Commission perform an "offsite interview" by video-conference. In this case, the applicant will have to declare this when filling out the online application in the "Offsite Oral Examination" section, and follow these instructions:

- **by June 25, 2018** the applicant must fill out the "Offsite oral examination form" (available at the [selection's webpage](#)), including the contact information of the person in the University/Embassy/Consulate who will identify the candidate just before the oral exam and email it to phd.cimec@unitn.it.

The possibility to conduct the oral examination according to the information provided in the form is subject to Admissions committee approval after having verified its technical feasibility. Verification thereof will occur on **June 26 or 27, 2018**, during which time the candidates will be contacted by the Programme Administrator. To this end, candidates are forewarned to be in prompt contact by email on these two days.

The Admissions committee will ascertain that the necessary conditions are satisfied in order to guarantee that the oral examinations are carried out according to regulations (verification of candidate's identity and fairness of the interviews).

Art. 6 – RANKING

1. The Committee draws up a merit-based ranking according to the scores obtained by the applicants from the qualifications assessment, the project (anonymous research statement, Part C – Research Project Proposal) and the interview.
2. Scholarships are assigned to eligible candidates based on:
 - a) ranking;
 - b) candidate eligibility for topic-specific grants. Please note that topic-specific grants are assigned following the ranking and until their maximum number is filled. Where possible, according to the preference expressed by the candidate in the application.
3. The candidate who has been awarded a topic-specific grant, must accept it since the choice for a topic-specific grant he/she expressed implies the candidate's preference for the award of that specific scholarship with respect to the others.

Renouncing the topic-specific grant implies the exclusion of the candidate from the right to enroll in the PhD Programme.
4. Unassigned topic-specific grants will result in the reduction of positions available.
5. The ranked list (using candidates' application IDs) will be published on the [selection's website](#).

**By publishing the ranking, notification concerning the selection results is considered fulfilled.
Admitted candidates will not receive any personal messages.**

¹³ The candidates will be listed with their application ID. Candidates are therefore requested to take careful note of the application ID generated by the system once they have completed their online application.



Art. 7 – ADMISSION TO THE DOCTORAL PROGRAMME AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE OFFER

1. Applicants will be admitted to the Doctorate according to their rank in the final score list and until all available and eligible positions have been filled.
2. In case of equally ranked candidates, the student's economic situation will be evaluated in accordance with the Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers (D.P.C.M.) of 9 April 2001 as amended.
3. If an eligible applicant withdraws before the beginning of the Programme (*1 November 2018*), the next applicant in the ranking list will be offered the place.
This candidate is expected to accept the offer **within 8 days** from the day after having received the notice from the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities.
If an eligible applicant withdraws or is excluded in the first three-month term of the first year, the Doctoral Programme Committee may decide to fill the vacancy with another candidate next in rank in the final score list.
4. Admitted applicants must accept the offer **within 8 days**, submitting the online application available at the [related webpage](#).
5. Successful applicants holding a foreign qualification must present (if they have not already done so under former application ex Art. 4 "Application Form") to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities, by fax +39 0461 282191, or email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it at least one of the following documents **by November 5, 2018**¹⁴:
 - *Diploma Supplement* in English (according to the model developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO / CEPES);
 - alternatively the *Declaration of value* which certifies that the educational qualification is valid in the country of achievement for being admitted to Doctoral programme (third level of higher education according to the Bologna Process - European Higher Education Area; EQF level 8);
The Declaration of value can be replaced by the *Statement of comparability - university qualification* awarded by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA) that contains all the information necessary for the evaluation of the qualification;
 - alternatively the Rector's Decree of "Equivalence-academic recognition of the title".
6. Short-listed applicants who do not submit their acceptance **within 8 days** from when the final ranking is published lose their right to enroll and their position will be offered to the next ranked eligible candidate.

Art. 8 – SUPERNUMERARY POSITIONS

1. According to Art. 20, § 3 of the University Regulations for Doctorates of Research, the Admissions committee may admit up to **2 supernumerary** positions without a scholarship of the University of Trento, if such candidates coincide with one of the following cases:
 - a) foreign nationality, eligible in the general ranking, 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 of a scheduled duration continues for a period of not less than twenty-four months, 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 revisions¹⁵.
2. Candidates who wish to assert their requirements for supernumerary positions shall request, by submission of appropriate documentation proving their status to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social

¹⁴ 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.

¹⁵ 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.



Sciences and Humanities (email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it), their acceptance of such admission also **within 8 days** starting from the day following publication of the ranking.

3. Supernumerary admission acceptance is disposed within the **limit of two (2) positions** following the order of the final ranking.
4. After verifying the documents referred to in paragraph 2, the candidates who will be admitted supernumerary will receive email confirmation from the Humanities and Cognitive Sciences Area - PhD Office and must declare acceptance of the position, by using the appropriate procedure online (see art. 6, 4), within 8 days from the day following the day of receipt of such notice.

Art. 9 – ENROLMENT

1. The official registration in the doctorate, limited to short-listed candidates who have accepted the position according to the procedures in the preceding article, will automatically be made official as soon as the PhD Programmes' requirements verification by the Ministry of Education, University and Research for the 2018-2019 AY has been completed.
2. In case of no conferrable accreditation, candidates who have accepted the position will receive a timely notification via email and the fee for the Right to Education (TDS) will be refunded.
3. To complete enrolment, whoever has a foreign title, upon arriving in Italy, will have to show the official documents (in original or certified hard copy), related to the academic path, already anticipated in a scanned form during admission to the selection, in order to allow the appropriate verification of the validity of the qualifications, also by means of the national information centers on the recognition of foreign titles as part of the the ENIC-NARIC network. Until such time, candidates are admitted to the course *conditionally* and may be excluded if they do not meet these requirements.

Art. 10 - INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS OF RESEARCH FINDINGS AND PUBLICATIONS

1. Without prejudice to the Italian law on copyright (legislative decree 633/1941 and subsequent amendments), intellectual and industrial property rights on the results eventually achieved by the student, including (but not limited to) software, industrial inventions patentable or not, know-how, models, data and data collection, are regulated in accordance with applicable laws and University regulations and, if necessary, according to the provisions in the individual agreements with universities, companies or entities involved.

Art. 11 – PERSONAL DATA

1. The University of Trento, in accordance with Legislative Decree 196/03 "Italian Personal Data Protection Code", may use applicants' personal data only for the purpose of selection procedures and for institutional reasons.
2. In observance of the above-mentioned legislative decree, participation in the selection requires the applicant to give the University of Trento permission to publish her/his personal data concerning the results of the selection procedure on the University website.
3. Data are treated by the University of Trento, with offices in via Calepina, 14 – 38122 Trento.

Art. 12 - REGULATIONS

1. For matters not covered by this selection announcement refer to art. 4 of Law n. 210 of 03.07.1998 as amended in Art. 19, paragraph 1, of the Law of 30 December 2010, n. 240, to the Ministerial Decree no. 45 of 08.02.2013, to the University Regulations on Doctorates of Research of the University of Trento issued with the Rector's Decree n. 383 of 4 July 2013 subsequently amended, to the Students Honour Code issued with the Rector's Decree n. 416 of 13 June 2016 and to the Internal Regulations of the Doctorate in Cognitive and Brain Sciences approved by the CIMEC's Board on 21 July 2016.
2. The call will be published on the University of Trento, Euraxess and MIUR websites.
3. Potential changes or improvements to the call will be published at the [selection's web page](#).

ANNEX A

Declaration substituting
DEGREE CERTIFICATE¹⁶

(Article 46 - letters l, m, n - D.P.R. 28 December 2000, No. 445)

The undersigned _____

place of birth (*city+country*) _____ date of birth _____

official address (*street, number, zip code, city, country*) _____

Mob. _____ e – mail _____

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

DECLARES

A) TO HAVE GRADUATED (degree for admission to PhD, click the corresponding box):

Type of degree Laurea magistrale/specialistica
 Italian University degree of the previous regulations in force (*vecchio ordinamento*)

in: _____

Specialization (*Classe di laurea* ID code): _____

on __dd__ / __mm__ / __yy__ from University of¹⁷ _____

(town _____ - Italy) with mark _____ out of _____

AND TO HAVE PASSED THE FOLLOWING EXAMS (**fill out the following Section C**)

Alternately:

B) TO HAVE NOT YET GRADUATED and to be aware that admission to the Doctoral Programme is conditional upon submission of the degree diploma/certificate by the date cited in the announcement.

Graduating in: _____

Specialization (*Classe di laurea* ID code): _____

University of: _____ in Italy.

Expected graduation date: _____

AND TO HAVE PASSED THE FOLLOWING EXAMS (**fill out the following section C**)

¹⁶ (*) **To be noted:**

- non-European students can provide self-declarations only concerning facts and information which can be verified by an Italian public administration and only if they are in possession of a valid residence permit, to be attached to the declaration;
- the self-declaration shall provide all the information required, in particular the admission requirements and those related to the mark, date and place of obtainment of the degree and/or English certificate;
- the self-declaration shall be duly signed and dated.

¹⁷ Graduates of the University of Trento must only declare the date of awarding of the degree; other information will be collected automatically.

