CALL FOR PHD POSITIONS

Doctoral Programme in

«European Cultures. Environment, Contexts, Histories, Arts, Ideas»

Cycle 39

Academic Year 2023-2024

Summary

N.B. Please note that only the Italian version of the present call issued with Rector's Decree n. 306 of April 27, 2023 is legally binding, the English version is provided for information only.

Art. 1 – SUBJECT OF THE CALL

The University of Trento announces the 39th cycle of the Doctoral Programme in "European Cultures. Environment, Contexts, Histories, Arts, Ideas" for the academic year 2023/2024, in co-operation with:

- Instituto Politécnico de Tomar (Portugal);

- Thomas Institut, Universität zu Köln (Germany);

- Ècole Nationale des Chartes (France).

Deadline for application: **June 1, 2023 - 4:00 p.m. (Italian time).**

Places: **n. 7**

Scholarships: **n. 7**

Supernumerary postgraduate research positions: n. 1 (*available for candidates who fulfil the requirements set out in art. 8*).

The grants are financed as follows:
- **n. 5 grants** financed by the **University of Trento**;
- **n. 1 grant** financed by the **Department of Humanities** of the University of Trento ("ERC AG LAUDARE ZIMEI" n. 40104171 – CUP E63C22002300005) on the topic "Music and Poetry" (within the "Cultural Heritage" curriculum);
- **n. 1 grant** financed by the **Fondazione Bruno Kessler** and the **Department of Humanities** on the topic "Political and religious institutions, cities and environment, mobility and communication in (Early) Modern Europe" (within the "History" curriculum).

The topic-specific grant is conditional to the execution of a particular research topic for which specific skills are required. Those interested in that grant should carefully check the topic and required skillset indicated on the web page https://www.lettere.unitn.it/en/node/3392.

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.

Information about the scholarship:	http://www.unitn.it/en/node/1937/
Duration:	3 years
Beginning of the academic year:	1st November 2023
Programme Director:	prof. Elvira Migliario (Ph. +39 0461 281750; email: elvira.migliario@unitn.it)
Doctorate website:	https://www.lettere.unitn.it/node/697
Selection's website:	http://www.unitn.it/en/node/1962/
Rights and duties of PhD students:	http://www.unitn.it/en/node/52919/

Official language of the Doctoral Programme: Italian

Specialized curricula:

1) **Philosophy.** Research lines: Ethical, pedagogical and political models; Philosophy of nature; Political theology; Dialogical philosophy; Applied aesthetics; Epistemology of natural sciences.

2) **Cultural Heritage.** Research lines: Rituality and representation; Research on cultural heritage; From conservation to protection; History of local territories and forms of the environment; Devotional forms and sites; Images of politics; Territorization processes of the past and present.

3) **History.** Research lines: Identities: from ancient times to the modern era; Forms of memory both written and oral; Community, family structure and conflicts in the medieval and modern ages; Administrative, economic, military and government structures in European empires; Wars and conflicts in European history.

Research Areas:

BIO/08 ANTHROPOLOGY
L-ANT/01 PREHISTORY AND EARLY HISTORY
L-ANT/03 ROMAN HISTORY
L-ANT/07 CLASSICAL ARCHAEOLOGY
L-ANT/08 CHRISTIAN AND MEDIEVAL ARCHAEOLOGY
L-ANT/10 METHODS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH
L-ART/01 HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL ART
L-ART/02 HISTORY OF MODERN ART
L-ART/03 HISTORY OF CONTEMPORARY ART
L-ART/04 MUSEOLOGY, ART AND RESTORATION CRITICISM
L-ART/05 PERFORMING ARTS
L-ART/07 MUSICOLOGY AND HISTORY OF MUSIC
L-OR/08 HEBREW
M-FIL/01 THEORETICAL PHILOSOPHY
M-FIL/02 LOGIC AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE
M-FIL/03 MORAL PHILOSOPHY
M-FIL/06 HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY
M-FIL/08 HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL PHILOSOPHY
M-GGR/01 GEOGRAPHY
M-STO/01 MEDIEVAL HISTORY
M-STO/02 MODERN HISTORY
M-STO/04 CONTEMPORARY HISTORY
M-STO/07 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY AND OF CHURCHES
M-STO/08 ARCHIVAL SCIENCE, BIBLIOGRAPHY AND LIBRARIANSHIP
SECS-P/12 ECONOMIC HISTORY
SPS/01 POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY
SPS/03 HISTORY OF POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS

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. 10 and 6 co. 5 of this announcement, any notifications relating to the application will be sent by email to the address linked to the account registered on the system at the moment the application is closed. For candidates who have just completed or have ongoing work at the University of Trento, please check that the email address is correct at this link: Profile data. If changes to personal contact details are necessary once the application has closed, please advise the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (phd.office-cssh@unitn.it).

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 Specialistica o Magistrale" (Master's Degree) according to Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22 October 2004, or a university degree awarded under the previous Italian regulations;

   b) or a second level degree awarded by an Italian "AFAM" Institute (Artistic and Musical Higher Education)

   c) or an equivalent degree qualification obtained abroad (Master's Degree) at a recognized academic 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 area[1];
   - is considered suitable[2] by the Admission Committee for the sole purpose of the admission to the PhD Programme.

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[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.

2. Applications are also accepted from candidates who don't hold the required degree but expect to obtain their degree/equivalent qualification abroad, **by June 20, 2023**. 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) no later than **June 30, 2023**. Failure to provide the certificate will lead **to exclusion**.

3. It's in the applicant's best interest to provide all elements necessary for evaluation, especially if the higher education system of the country where the title was obtained is not comparable with the Italian one.

   The Evaluation Committee reserves the right to ask applicants to provide additional documentation, if deemed necessary to be considered for the selection.

4. Applicants who have already obtained a doctoral degree can be admitted to the Doctoral Programme upon successful participation to the selection process and only if both subjects and the research area of the Doctoral Programme are different from the previous Phd Programme. If a PhD student has already been awarded a PhD scholarship in the past (even for one month only) for a Doctoral programme in Italy, he/she cannot receive a Doctoral scholarship again[3].

5. The list of candidates (identified by ID number) whose academic degree awarded abroad has been considered not eligible for the admission selection by the Admission Committee will be published on the selection's webpage.

Art. 3 – THE DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

The research topics of the Doctoral Course cover the fields of philosophy, history and cultural heritage under a European perspective which refers to Europe as a macro-regional context and a historic-cultural horizon. Teaching and research activities of the Course are focused on developing wide methodological and interdisciplinary skills. PhD students are expected to reach full reliability and autonomy in their research work, to acquire specialized skills and to add new inputs to the Department's lines of research.

Specialized curricula

The variety of methodological approaches of the Course are represented by three specialized curricula, that will enable the PhD students to go deeper into specific research fields, in the frame of a single scientific community.

Philosophy. The object of analysis of this specialized curriculum concerns the origins – ancient, medieval and modern – of European philosophical thought, considered along a number of axes: logical-linguistic, ethical-practical-educational, epistemologic and aesthetic. Focus will also be placed on the diverse religions of Europe as constitutive elements of the heritage common to the diverse range of European identities.

History. Central to the course will be the formation and development of European identities within a comparative perspective, from Greek and Roman civilization up to the present day. Particular attention will be devoted to the historical and historiographical relationship with the German-speaking world, to the building of traditions and of historical memory, and to the evolution of administrative, economic, military and governmental structures of European regions.

Cultural Heritage. The fields of research encompass the multi-faceted cultural heritage within European geographical and environmental space through the study of archaeological evidence, products of art and music, theatre history, documents and archives.

Teaching Programme

The teaching plan includes educational and research activities for a total of 180 credits: 120 credits are assigned to research activities and 60 credits to educational activities. PhD students acquire the credits assigned to research activities by writing their doctoral theses (90 credits) and by taking part to scientific conferences and workshops (30 credits), while they acquire credits assigned to educational activities by attending seminars and lectures organized by the Course or by other scientific and educational institutions, and by attending conferences and workshops organized by the University of Trento or by other Universities. PhD students will carry out part of their studies at a foreign University or research institution on the basis of specific projects approved by the PhD Programme Committee and by the tutors.

Each teaching activity will be endorsed according to the PhD student participation and to achievement of educational objectives. Educational activities will be certified and reported on the "student portfolio" by the PhD students and regularly verified by their tutors. The activities organized by other scientific and educational institutions must be approved beforehand by the Coordinator, if their duration is up to six months, or by the Doctoral Course Committee, if their duration is more than six months.

Educational activities are organized as follows: (a) lectures: methodological or disciplinary courses organized within the Specialized Curriculum, and reported in the Career Plan Programme ("Manifesto degli Studi"), as well as seminars organized by other Specialized Curricula, and reported in the Career Plan Programme; (b) other activities: conferences, symposia or round-tables organized by the Department or by other institutions. During the first year, the PhD students will attend at least 100 hours for activities of the above-

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[3] Opinion from the National University Council (CUN) of 20 March 2008; Note from the Ministry of Education University and Research (MIUR) of 14 September 2010 n. 1746; art.6 par.2 of Law n.398 of 1989 "Regulations about university scholarships".

mentioned (a) type (among which, 40 hours for courses and 60 hours for seminars); during the second year, the PhD students will attend at least 20 hours for activities of the above-mentioned (a) type and 40 hours of the (b) type; during the third year, PhD students will attend at least 20 hours of the above-mentioned (b) type.

The tutor will verify that the PhD student, in the course of the first year of the teaching plan, has acquired the necessary credits and has attended educational activities for at least 100 hours teaching. During the first year, the PhD students will have to define their research project and begin their thesis work as well.

Admission to the following year

The training activities will be subject to periodic verification by the supervisors. Admission to the following years, on the decision of the Teaching Board, will be subject to the certification, by the Curriculum Managers, the training activities and the progress of the research work, reported on the register of each PhD student, duly completed and signed by the supervisor.

Art. 4 – APPLICATION

1. The application must be completed and submitted by **June 1, 2023 - 4:00 p.m. (Italian time)**., exclusively through the online system: https://www.unitn.it/en/apply/dott.

2. Applicants can access the online registration procedure in one of the following ways[4]:

   - **with a SPID account or CIE** (Elecronica Identity Card): those who have an Italian Tax Code (codice fiscale) and an Italian identity document must access the registration with CIE (more information are available at https://www.cartaidentita.interno.gov.it/) or with SPID, the Italian Public Digital Identity System, which automatically certifies the identity of the person on the UniTrento systems and sets up an @unitn.it account.
   To request the SPID identity (useful for accessing various online services of the Italian Public Administration), please consult the website How to activate SPID - Spid
   - **with a UniTrento account**: those who already have an account issued by the University can access the registration procedure with the username they already have (name.surname@unitn.it).
   If you have a UniTrento account but you don't remember your password: https://icts.unitn.it/password.
   For further information on UniTrento username and password: https://icts.unitn.it/accountpassword.
   - **registration of UniTrento "guest" accounts**: anyone who does not have an Italian Tax Code can register a temporary account as a "guest". After enrollment, this account will be converted into a definitive@unitn.it account.
   To register a guest account: https://webapps.unitn.it/Registration/.

3. Participation in the selection process is subject to the payment of a non–reimbursable application fee of **€15.00**, by **PagoPA[5] system**, as indicated in the appropriate section of the application ('Selection participation fee').

4. **Candidates will be considered totally responsible** of the successful submission of their application online. Administration highly recommends that candidates make sure to have received the notification email confirming that their application has been successfully completed and submitted.

   UniTrento refuses any responsibility for all those applications online not properly closed by candidates.

5. Incomplete or irregular applications, or applications transmitted in ways other than those set out 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 fulfill 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 December 2000.

7. A candidate whose degree submitted does not satisfy the requirements specified in the art. 2 or the information provided in the application is not true, may be excluded at any time - from the selective procedure or even after enrolment and the beginning of the PhD course.

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, in accordance with their particular disability may explicitly request in their application special assistance or extra time during the examinations. Under Legislative Decree 196/03, all information will be kept confidential. In this regard, personal data will be processed in compliance with *the regulations in force as indicated in the information on the processing of personal data (art. 11 of this call)*.

9. For all purposes in law, the application is considered to be a self-declaration of personal details and information provided.

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[4] To those who need a guest account we suggest to register well in advance of the deadline. It can take up to three working days for credentials to be issued.
[5] More information at: https://www.unitn.it/phd-pagopa

10. Candidates can apply for **only one of the specialized curricula** of the Doctoral Programme.

11. **COMPULSORY ATTACHMENTS** (failure to upload one or more compulsory attachments results in expulsion from the selection)[6]:

A. **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;

B. Documents related to 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 December 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 (if available) 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 June 20, 2023:

- 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 UniTrento applicants need only declare the expected degree conferral date. Remaining information will be procured ex officio.

- **applicants with a foreign degree**:

   - a degree's certificate, stating the 2nd level degree obtainment (see art. 2 co.1 lett. c.), provided by the University which issued the degree, specifying the type of degree, the graduation date and the related score;

   - list of exams (academic transcript of records of Master's degrees) with credits (if provided) and mark with the related Rating Scale; if the university course is divided into first and second levels, then also the first level degree certificate (Bachelor's degree) and the transcript of records of Bachelor's degree should preferably be attached.

   If the language of the above-mentioned documents is different from Italian, English, German, French or Spanish, the applicant will have to submit a translation in Italian or 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 participation participating in this admissions process.

   In addition, if available, also the following documents:

   - *Academic degree (diploma)* of the required title (Master of Science/Art or equivalent) in the original language;

   - *Diploma Supplement*[7](according to the model developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO/CEPES), or;

   - *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), or;

   - 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.

   If the foreign academic qualification has already been recognized as equivalent[10] to a second cycle Italian qualification **by the competent academic bodies of Italian universities**, the equivalence provision (Rectoral Decree) must be attached in the appropriate section of the online application.

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[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 http://www.unitn.it/en/node/1962/.

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

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

[9]The University of Trento has signed an agreement with the CIMEA Association for the evaluation and verification services of foreign qualifications through the use of the Diplome platform. For the issue of ENIC-NARIC certificates, the University of Trento has activated a collaboration with CIMEA. Further information is available at: https://international.unitn.it/incoming/diploma-verification.

[10] Details at https://www.cimea.it/EN/pagina-riconoscimento-accademico.

The following two points refer to foreign degree applicants who have not yet obtained their degree, who expect to complete it by June 20, 2023:

- a certificate of enrolment of the Master's Programme (see Article 2 paragraph 1 letter c), with the list of the exams taken, the related credits (if provided) the corresponding mark and the Rating Scale (Academic Transcript of Records); if the university course is divided into first and second levels, then also the first level degree certificate (Bachelor's degree) and the transcript of records of Bachelor's degree should preferably be attached.

    If the language in which the certificates are issued is different from Italian, English, German, French or Spanish, the documentation must be accompanied by a translation in Italian or in English carried out by the same candidate under his own responsibility;

C. **summary of the final dissertation** (written in English for foreign applicants) explaining the choice of the subject, the research methodology and the results obtained (max 5.000 characters, including spaces);

D. **Curriculum vitae in Italian or in English** preferably based on the Europass model, that includes, if any, a list of scientific papers, further more skills of research and any degree obtained by the candidate as a result of university graduate or postgraduate courses (Second level master's degree, Doctoral Programmes, specializations, advanced training courses, or other);

E. **Research proposal:** the subject of the research proposal must deal with one of the research lines of the Doctoral course (see art. 3 of this announcement) and be consistent with the research areas listed within art. 1 of this announcement. The selected research area must be explicitly indicated in the project description.

    Candidate must submit only one research proposal.

    The **research proposal must** be drawn up according to the following scheme:

    - title;

    - aims of the project (max 1.000 characters, including spaces);

    - originality of the candidate's project compared to the current status of the research in the chosen field (max 5.000 characters, including spaces);

    - methodology and timing of the research (max 3.000 characters, including spaces);

    - essential and annotated bibliography (max 6.000 characters, including spaces).

    It is also possible to include:

    - activities the candidate would like to realize on the subject (e.g. seminars, research, meetings – max 1.000 characters, including spaces);

    - foreign Universities/Institutes where the candidate plans to spend a research period and Italian or international professors/experts the candidate would be inviting for seminars or involving as supervisors in the Doctoral activities (max 1.000 characters, including spaces).

    Candidates are advised to consult the webpage https://www.lettere.unitn.it/en/node/3392, which lists topic-specific grants and their descriptions.

12. **OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS**:

    - publications, if any, with the related list; publications must be submitted **in electronic format** through the online application;

    - any certificate ascertaining a minimum level of CEFR[11] B2 in a language among English, French, German, or Spanish (Italian is an option only for applicants with a different mother tongue);

    - other documents useful to attest the candidate's ability to do research (documents about awards, academic activity and post-graduate research; certificate concerning scholarships, etc.).

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 European Cultures. Environment, Contexts, Histories, Arts, Ideas - 39th cycle – integrazione domanda). Documentation sent by other means will not be accepted.

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[11] See http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr.

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:

   - assessment of curriculum vitae, qualifications and evaluation of the research proposal according to Art. 4 according to the criteria established by the Committee;

   - oral exam.

4. Candidates who intend to compete also for one of the topic-specific grants, indicated in article n.1 of this call, must express their interest in the online application, in the section "Specialized curriculum and Research proposal".

   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 at the selection's webpage.

   Candidates who compete also for a topic-specific grant will be evaluated on the knowledge of the specific subject matter of that grant.

5. 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.

6. The Admissions Committee has an overall score of 100 points available, partitioned in the following way:

   - 20 points for the assessment of curriculum vitae and qualifications;

   - 30 points for the evaluation of the research project;

   - 50 points for the oral examination.

   In order to be admitted to the oral examination candidates must reach a minimum score of 30 after the assessment of qualifications and research project.

7. The oral examination will focus on the applicant's knowledge of the subject of the research proposal. The oral examination will be held in Italian.

   At any case, candidates are required to demonstrate language skills in two languages among French, English, Spanish or German as indicated below:

   - **for applicants who uploaded to the application a certificate** stating a minimum level of CEFR B2 in a second language among French, English, Spanish, or German, during the interview will be assessed the passive knowledge of another language among French, English, Spanish, or German, chosen by the candidate in the application;

   - for applicants who **didn't** upload to the application a certificate stating a minimum level of CEFR B2 in a second language among French, English, Spanish, or German, during the interview will be assessed the language knowledge in two foreign languages among French, English, Spanish, or German, one at an active level and one at a passive level, chosen by the candidate in the online application.

   For candidates who applied also for the for the **topic specific grant "Music and Poetry",** a **high level of English** is required.

   The PhD programme is mainly taught in Italian. The candidates who have a different mother tongue than Italian must have a good knowledge of Italian language. This knowledge will be verified during the interview.

8. The oral exam is successfully passed with a minimum score of 30 points.

9. The assessment of the qualifications and of the oral exam will be available at the selection's webpage[12].

10. The interview may take place in one of two modalities (at the candidate's choice):

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[12] The chosen candidates will be listed using their application ID.

a) at the University of Trento. Applicants are requested to show a valid ID document before the interview begins. Should the candidate fail to attend the interview for whatever reason this will be considered as renunciation of participation in the selection procedure;

b) by videoconference by using audio-video connection devices that allow the correct identification of the participants (by webcam) and the carrying out of the interview in public. The starting time of the interviews will be scheduled by the Commission. Candidates must provide the same identification document attached to the application form. Failure to participate on the day or at the appointed time, or not providing ID documents will result in exclusion from the competition. The University accepts no responsibility in the case of technical problems that do not guarantee the proper conduct of the interview.

Information regarding the date, time and place (University of Trento, if in presence) at which the interview will be held will be provided at least 20 days prior to the date of the interview on the competition website.

Any changes to the date of the interviews will be published on the same website.

Art. 6 – RANKING

1. The Committee draws up a merit-based ranking according to the scores obtained by the applicants from the qualification's assessment, the project and the interview.

2. Scholarships are assigned to eligible candidates based on:

   a) ranking order;

   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.

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 offered in the Call.

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.

Art. 7 – ADMISSION TO THE PHD 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. 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 D.P.C.M. 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.

3. If an eligible applicant withdraws **before the beginning of the Programme** (*1st November 2023*), 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. Admitted applicants with a qualification that has not been awarded in Italy must deliver to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities, in advance by email (phd.office-cssh@unitn.it) if they had not already done so during the application phase – "Application procedure", the following documents **by November 8, 2023**:

- original or certified copy of the **academic diploma of the Master degree** (Master of Science/Arts or equivalent) **together with the academic transcript of records**, possible official translations[13], legalized[14] or with an apostille affixed (*verify the fulfillment of the requirements set by the issuing country of the title*);
- **Diploma Supplement** (if provided for by the university where the title was issued, it is commonly used within the member countries of the European Higher Education Area (EHEA));
- *alternatively*
- **Declaration of Value** issued by the Italian diplomatic or consular representations country of origin of the institution that issued the title;
- *alternatively*
- **Statement of comparability of foreign university qualifications** issued by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA[15]) that contains all the information necessary for the assessment of the qualification.

In case the Diploma Supplement, or the Declaration of Value, or the Statement of comparability are not available by November 8, 2022, admitted applicants must deliver a document showing that they asked the University/the Italian diplomatic or consular representations/the ENIC-NARIC center for the documents to be issued. Admission to the Doctoral Programme for successful candidates who do not provide the required above-mentioned documents by November 8, 2023 will be "conditional" and the applicants will be excluded from the Doctoral Programme if:
  - they do not deliver the documents within 6 months from the starting date of the Programme;
  - upon verification, their title is not in compliance with the requirements of this call for selection.

Forfeiture from the course will result in the obligation to return any monthly scholarship money received.

Art. 8 –SUPERNUMERARY POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH POSITIONS

1. According to Art. 18, § 3 of the University Regulations for Doctorates of Research, the Admission Committee may admit **up to 1** supernumerary position without a scholarship of the University of Trento, if such candidates coincide with one of the following cases:

   - foreign nationality, eligible in the general ranking, who are granted scholarships by other entities;
   - 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;
   - research fellows (*Assegnisti di ricerca*) whose contract lasts for a minimum of 24 months as from the starting date of the Programme and researching a subject relevant to the PhD Programme; such relevance has to be determined by the Doctoral Programme Committee;
   - employees 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 revision[16].

2. Candidates who wish to assert their requirements for supernumerary positions shall request, by submission of appropriate documentation proving their status, their acceptance of such admission to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it), also **within 8 days** starting from the day following publication of the ranking.

3. Supernumerary admission acceptance is disposed within the limit of the positions specified in art. 1 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. 7, 4), **within 8 days** from the day following the day of receipt of such notice.

Art. 9 - ENROLMENT ON THE PHD PROGRAMME

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 a.y. 2023-2024 has been completed.

   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.

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[13] Details at: https://www.esteri.it/mae/it/servizi/italiani-all-estero/traduzione-e-legalizzazione-documenti.html
[14] Details at: https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studying/info-13.html
[15] For the assessment and verification services of foreign qualifications through the use of the Diplome platform, see: https://international.unitn.it/incoming/diploma-verification
[16] 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.

2. To complete the enrolment, the candidate who has obtained the qualification abroad, upon arrival in Italy, will have to show the official documents (in original or copy conforming to the original), relating to the academic path, already anticipated in a scanned form in phase of admission to the competition or during the matriculation process, to allow the appropriate verification of the validity of the qualifications, also through the national information centers on the recognition of foreign securities belonging to the ENIC-NARIC network. Until such time candidates are admitted to the course with reserve and may be excluded if they do not meet the requirements.

Art. 10 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS ON RESEARCH RESULTS 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 PhD student, including (but not limited to) softwares, 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[17].

2. Before the start of the research activity, the PhD student is required to sign a specific declaration of commitment to confidentiality in relation to the information, data and documents of a confidential nature that he / she may become aware of in carrying out his / her activity at and / or on behalf of the University. If the research is funded by private or public entities other than the University, the PhD student is required to sign a specific declaration, to allow the University to comply with the obligations regarding intellectual property towards the funding body and possibly a confidentiality agreement with the funding body, if required.

Art. 11 PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

In compliance to Article 13 of the "General Data Protection Regulation" (hereinafter, GDPR), the University of Trento provides to persons who want to participate in the selection procedures to be admitted to Doctoral Programmes (hereinafter "Data subjects") with the following information.

1. Data Controller

The Data Controller is the University of Trento, via Calepina n. 14, 38122 Trento (TN); email: ateneo@pec.unitn.it; ateneo@unitn.it.

2. Contact details of the Data Protection Officer

The data subjects may contact the Data Protection Officer (DPO or RPD) to have information about processing of their personal data by writing to: rpd@unitn.it.

3. Purpose of the processing and legal basis

The University of Trento processes personal data as part of the performance of its public interest tasks and, in particular, for the purposes of carrying out this selection procedure and complying with a legal obligation (Art. 6, par. 1, lett. e) and c); Art. 9, par. 2, lett. g) of the GDPR).

4. Nature of the provision of data

The provision of personal data is necessary for participation in this procedure and failure to provide such data will result in the impossibility of taking part. The provision of special health-related data (for candidates with disabilities) is optional, but failure to provide it will result in the impossibility of accessing the requested support tools.

5. Data processing methods

The processing of personal data shall be carried out manually, by automated means and/or by telematic means by authorised staff according to their tasks and in compliance with the principles of lawfulness, correctness, transparency, adequacy, relevance, accuracy, integrity and confidentially (GDPR, art. 5, par.1,). No automated decision-making processes, including profiling, are carried out.

6. Categories of recipients

In addition to all the University personnel acting for the above-mentioned purposes, personal data may be disclosed to third parties, public and private entities (es. MUR, ANVUR) in order to fulfil the abovementioned purposes, including any financing subject in relation to the funded scholarships. Personal data may also be disclosed to third parties in compliance with a legal obligations and/or provisions of the Public Security/Judicial Authorities.

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[17] See Protection and valorisation of intellectual property

7. Transfer to non-EU countries

If, within the abovementioned purposes, personal data are transferred to non-EU countries, this transfer will be performed within the limits and under the terms as per art. 44 and seq. of the GDPR.

8. Data retention period

Personal data will be stored as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes of this proocedure, and anyway, as long as it is necessary by law. In any case data will be stored for the time indicated by the current law and/or by the University regulations on managing and storage of documents issued by the University within its institutional activities.

9. Rights of the Data subjects

Data subjects may exercise the rights referred to in Articles 15 et seq. of the GDPR at any time.
In particular, data subjects have the right to obtain from the Data Controller the access, the rectification or the integration of personal data and, if the legal requirements are met, the erasure, the limitation or the opposition to the data processing operation.
In case there is an infringement of the GDPR on the processing of personal data, Data subjects have the right to lodge a complaint with the Italian Data Protection Authority by virtue of article 77 of the GDPR or to engage in legal proceedings

Art. 12 – REGULATIONS

1. For matters not explicitly mentioned in the present announcement, please refer to Law no. 398 of 30 November 1989, to art. 4 of Law n. 210 of 3 July 1998 as amended in Art. 19, paragraph 1, of the Law of 30 December 2010, n. 240, to the Ministerial Decree no. 226 of 14 December 2021, to the University Regulations on Doctorates of Research of the University of Trento issued with the Rector's Decree n. 250 of 11 March 2022, to the Students Honor Code issued with the Rector's Decree n. 416 of 13 June 2016 and to the Internal Regulations of the Doctorate in European Cultures. Environment, Contexts, Histories, Arts, Ideas approved by the Board of the Department of Humanities on April 27, 2022 and subsequent amendments and to other relevant provisions contained in the existing regulations.

2. The call will be published on the University of Trento, Euraxess and MIUR websites. Potential changes or improvements to the call will be published at the webpage to art. 1 of this call.

3. Any changes or additions to this Call will be published on the announcement webpage listed in art.1.