



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Admission to the Doctoral Programme in

AGRIFOOD AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

42nd cycle

ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027

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N.B. The English translation of this document is provided as a support to the candidates and has no legal effects. The Italian version shall constitute the sole authentic text and will be referred to for any legal matters.

Art. 1 – SUBJECT OF THE CALL

The University of Trento opens the call for applications for the admission to the 42nd Cycle (Academic Year 2026/2027) of the Doctoral Programme in “Agrifood and Environmental Sciences” (in collaboration with Fondazione Edmund Mach - FEM) as follows:

Deadline for application: May 28th, 2026, hrs. 04.00 p.m. (Italian time)

Positions: no. 9

Scholarships: no. 9 (of which no. 7 on reserved topics)

Positions are divided as follows:

Financer	No.	Topics of reserved scholarships
University of Trento	2	
University of Trento - Centro Agricoltura Alimenti Ambiente	3	<p>A - SEdiment Regime in Regulated Alpine Rivers and its restoration (Scientific Referent/s: G. Zolezzi; W. Bertoldi)</p> <p>B - Valorization of organic by-products and waste from the agro-industrial sector restoration (Scientific Referent/s: L. Fiori; G. Andreottola)</p> <p>C - From copper dependence to ecological resilience by redesigning organic viticulture with the integration of sustainable alternatives and agroecological leverage points restoration (Scientific Referent: I. Pertot) (European project SCALE-it, GA Project 101181496 - CUP E43C25000210006)</p>
University of Trento - Centro Di Sperimentazione Laimburg	2	<p>D - Genetic analysis of fruit quality in apple (Scientific referent: F. Costa)</p> <p>E - Functional and metabolomic characterization of cold-tolerant alpine bacteria to mitigate freezing stress on apple and grapevine (Scientific referent: M. Perazzolli)</p>
Fondazione Edmund Mach	2	<p>G1 - Functional diversity and evolution of fungal-rich microbiomes from natural and agrarian ecosystems (Scientific Referent/s O. Rota Stabelli, C. Donati)</p> <p>G2 - Research and Experimentation Data Management in Agriculture (Scientific Referent/s M. Ferrari, A. Pironti)</p>
Positions	9	

The scholarships dedicated to specific research topics (reserved positions) may be assigned only to those applicants who specifically apply for them.

Applicants interested in one or more reserved positions must therefore carefully check the topic and the required skills, and if the scholarships entail the acceptance of confidentiality commitment and/or transfer of intellectual property rights, listed at the selection webpage.

The positions with scholarships or other financial support may be increased after the publication of this call and until the assessment of qualifications. All the new positions available will be posted solely on the selection webpage.

Additional positions: scholarships on reserved topics which will be available after the publication of this call (and published on the selection webpage) can be selected by using the entry “Other” in the proper section of the online application and indicating in the specific field the title of the scholarship, possibly modifying the order of preference.

Applicants who have already completed and sent the application before the publication of additional scholarships, can apply for those scholarships sending an e-mail to the secretariat of the Phd Programme (phd.aes@unitn.it) mentioning the new order of preference if necessary and specifying in the object: ID of the online application.

The interest in additional positions must also be expressly communicated to the Selection Committee before the interview.

Candidates may also declare during the interview process their interest in being evaluated for the assignment of residual reserved scholarships possibly not assigned due to a lack of interest or eligible candidates, in addition to those they had expressed preference for.

Moreover, applicants selected by special committees for admission related to specific international mobility programmes in which the University of Trento participates, may also be admitted to the 42nd Cycle in additional positions.

Scholarship amount: Euro 21.750,00 per year

Information about scholarships: <https://www.unitn.it/en/study/fees-scholarships-accommodation/scholarships-and-awards/phd-scholarships>

Duration: Three years

Start of the Academic Year: November 1st, 2026

Official language: English

Selection webpage: <https://www.unitn.it/en/phd/agrifood-and-environmental-sciences>

Doctoral Programme website: <https://www.centro3a.unitn.it/en/650/phd-program-in-agrifood-and-environmental-sciences>

Important:

- a. The dates of the selection and all selection results (interim and final), the possible exclusion from the selection due to an incomplete application (art. 3), the exclusion for foreign qualification not recognized as eligible (art. 2), and any notices related to the call will be published only on the selection webpage; the applicants **will be identified through the application ID therefore it is recommended to keep it safe**. The publication on the website is to all intents and purposes valid as official notification, and no personal communication will be sent.
- b. Possible communication related to the call for selection will be sent by e-mail to the applicants' personal email address connected to the account registered by the system when closing the application. Applicants with an active or just concluded career at the University of Trento are advised to check their personal email address at the link: [Profile data for account](#). In case you need to change your personal email address after the application closure, please send a request to the PhD Office – Scientific and Technological Area (phd.office-st@unitn.it).

Art. 2 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Applications for doctoral positions are accepted from applicants, regardless of nationality, who hold:



- a. an Italian “Laurea Magistrale” or “Laurea Specialistica”, according to the Ministerial Decree no. 509 of 03.11.1999, subsequently amended by Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22.10.2004;
or
 - b. a university degree obtained at an Italian Institution belonging to the AFAM system (Alta Formazione Artistica, Musicale e Coreutica);
or
 - c. an equivalent foreign degree (*Master's degree*) obtained at an officially recognized academic institution, valid for admission to Doctoral studies in the Country it has been issued (except for substantial differences) and similar for duration, level¹, nature (academic nature, research topics) and disciplinary subject area to the Italian degree, recognized as eligible by the Selection Committee for the sole purpose of accessing this specific Doctoral Programme.
2. Applications are also accepted from students expected to obtain the necessary degree **by October 31st, 2026**. Admission to the Doctoral Programme for successful applicants who have not yet graduated will be “**conditional**” and the applicant will have to submit to the PhD Office – Scientific and Technological Area (via email to: phd.office-st@unitn.it) **by November 6th, 2026, on penalty of exclusion**, the certificate awarded or a self-declaration pursuant to art 46 of D.P.R. 28.12.2000, n. 445 and subsequent amendments.
 3. Applicants with a foreign qualification that has not been officially recognised as **equivalent** to a second cycle Italian degree (*Laurea Magistrale/Specialistica/vecchio ordinamento*) will be considered as **requesting equivalence in their application**, by attaching the necessary supporting documents.
It is in the applicant's interest to provide all the elements useful for the assessment, especially if the education system of the country where the qualification was obtained is not comparable to the Italian one. The Selection Committee may require the applicant to provide additional documentation if deemed necessary for the purpose of assessing the eligibility.
 4. Applicants who have already obtained the Doctoral degree will be admitted to attend a second Doctoral Programme, after passing the selection procedure, provided that the prevailing subjects and scientific areas are different from those relating to the previous Doctoral degree. Applicants who have already benefited from a scholarship, even partially, cannot be assigned any scholarships in the new Doctoral Programme.

Art. 3 – APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. The application² must be **completed and submitted by hrs. 04.00 p.m. Italian time of May 28th 2026, exclusively through the online system: [Doctoral Programmes Applications](#)**, which will be available within 3 working days from the publication of the announcement.
Authentication to the registration procedure is possible through (It is recommended to register well in advance of the call deadline. It may take up to three business days for credentials to be issued):
 - **SPID or CIE (Electronic ID)**; applicants who own an Italian tax code as well as an Italian ID must access the registration procedure using the CIE (Electronic ID) or SPID, the Italian Public Digital Identity System, which automatically certifies the applicant's identity on the UniTrento systems and sets up an account as @unitn.it
 - **University of Trento account**: those who do have a University of Trento account can access the application procedure with their existing username (name.surname@guest.unitn.it, or name.surname@unitn.it). Those who have a UniTrento account but cannot remember the password, should follow the procedure: [Reset password by email](#)
Further information on UniTrento username and password at [Account@unitn.it](#)
 - **a UniTrento "guest" temporary account**: only those who do not have an Italian tax code or a University of Trento account can set up a temporary "guest" account. After the matriculation, this account will be converted into a final one as @unitn.it. To register a guest account: <https://webapps.unitn.it/Registration/en/Home>
2. To finalize the application a non-refundable **application fee of € 30** is to be paid through **PagoPA payment system** according to the instructions given in the appropriate section of the online application.
The online application can be saved and modified several times until the final submission. Thereafter it can no longer be changed.
3. **The online application is considered to be a self-declaration of personal data and qualifications with full legal effect**. It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to make sure that the online application has been successfully submitted and an e-mail notification has been received. There will be no liability with the University in the event that an application is not submitted correctly.

¹ The reference foreign qualification must be a second level qualification according to the Bologna process (level 7 EQF / 2nd cycle QF-EHEA).

² The applicant can choose either Italian or English to fill in the application online.



4. When filling out the online application form, applicants must choose up to a maximum of **3 scholarships on reserved topics**, specifying the order of preference. The order of preference is not binding for the Committee: during the oral examination the specific eligibility of the applicants will be evaluated.

Applicants must express their interest for reserved scholarships that will be made available after the opening of the present call (additional scholarships), application modalities will be available on the selection webpage.

Important: the applicant's choice to compete also for the reserved scholarships implies a preference on his/her part for the awarding of that specific scholarship over the others.

5. **MANDATORY ATTACHMENTS** (failure to upload one or more mandatory attachments will result in automatic exclusion from the selection)

A. **Identifying document (ID):**

A copy of the applicant's valid **identity card** (only EU citizens) or **passport** (non-EU citizens), in particular of the pages reporting his/her photograph, personal data, number, place and date of issue, expiry date and signature;

B. Documents related to **Academic degree for admission to the Doctoral Programme:**

• **Italian qualification:**

- **already obtained/to be obtained: a self-declaration**, in accordance with Presidential Decree art. 46 no. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments, stating the **list of passed exams** together with date, mark and credits obtained in each examination. A facsimile is available on the selection webpage but similar documents are also accepted as long as they report the information requested in the call.

If the qualification was issued by the University of Trento, the information will be acquired automatically.

• **foreign qualification:**

○ **already obtained:**

- a **certificate attesting to the possession of a second level university qualification** (see art. 2 paragraph 1 letter c), issued by the institution that awarded it. The certificate must indicate the type of diploma, the date it was awarded and the relative grade;
- a **list of examinations** taken to obtain the qualification to access a Doctoral Programme (*academic transcript of records of the Master's degree*) with relative credits (if provided for in the university system of the country that awarded the qualification), marks and rating scale.

If the university studies carried out abroad are divided into first and second level, the Bachelor's degree and the list of examinations taken to obtain that degree (*academic transcript of records of the Bachelor's degree*) should also be attached.

○ **to be obtained:**

- a **certificate of enrolment in a course of study that allows admission to a Doctoral Programme** (see art. 2 paragraph 1 letter c), with a list of the examinations successfully passed, credits obtained in each examination (if provided for in the university system of the country that awarded the qualification), marks, rating scale (*academic transcript of records*) and the possible award date.

If the university studies carried out abroad are divided into first and second level, the Bachelor's degree and the list of examinations taken to obtain that degree (*academic transcript of records of the Bachelor's degree*) should also be attached.

If the aforementioned **documents are not in English**, they must be accompanied by a **translation** in Italian or in English **made provisionally by the applicant** who takes responsibility for the accuracy of the translation and its compliance with the original text.

- C. **Curriculum vitae et studiorum** in Italian or English, preferably according to the Europass model. All academic degrees held and any university enrolments in progress must be specified in detail (please specify also the High School diploma details); research experiences and/or supervision of students during the MSc program.

- D. **Summary of the Master's degree thesis** written in Italian or English explaining the reasons for the choice of the subject, the research methodology and the results obtained (max 3000 characters spaces included);

- E. **Statement of Purpose:** written in English or Italian (max. 3,000 characters, spaces included). The statement should clearly specify the motivations for pursuing a PhD in Agrifood and Environmental Sciences at the University of Trento. It must be



specific, avoiding generic formulations, and must outline the candidate's research interests along with any relevant experience gained during the Master's thesis or previous academic activities.

- F. **a brief research project written in English** that will be used solely for evaluation purposes and will not be binding on the research activities carried out by the candidate during the doctoral programme. The project may focus on a topic of interest of the candidate, related to the core disciplines of the PhD Programme. The project will have to be no longer than two pages (about 9,000 characters spaces included, references excluded), divided into the following sections: "State of the art", "Objective(s)", "Methods" e "Expected results and impact of the project". Candidates must submit a research project for each reserved scholarship chosen).

If you apply for more than one reserved topic, you must submit a research topic for each of the specific topic chosen. The winners of a reserved scholarship will be required to accept it. The description of the research project (s) must be different from the letter of motivation (Statement of purpose).

6. OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS:

- A. **List of scientific publications** divided into peer review and impact factor journals (WoS), peer-reviewed journals without impact factor, journals without peer review or techniques, conference proceedings and research activity: conference presentations (specifying whether oral or poster); student supervision activities during their MSc; mobility linked to research abroad (use the form in the Application on line). If you do not have any information to indicate at the application stage, you must enclose the blank document that can be found at the selection web page.
- B. Any additional qualifications, such as international examinations or language certification (TOEFL, GRE or equivalent);
- C. any additional qualifications useful for assessing the applicant's attitude towards research (scientific publications, any documents regarding awards, scholarships, post-graduate studying and research activities, grants certifications in according to the article 7 of the announcement of selection);
- D. copy of the first-level academic degree (Bachelor's degree) and transcript;
- E. Up to **two names of referees**, experts in the research fields of the Doctoral Programme, from a university or a National and International Research Institution. Reference letters must not to be sent by candidates. Once the Referee section has been completed and saved by the candidate, the system automatically sends, within 24 hours, a notification email to the referee containing the instructions and modalities of transmission. Letter has to be issued on the base of a model sent directly to referee, and have to be uploaded on the website by him/her. It is strongly recommended that applicants verify that the referee has uploaded the Reference Letter **no later than June 3rd 2026**.
- F. Applicants with a foreign qualification may attach:
- **academic diploma of the Master degree** (Master of Science/Arts or equivalent), in its original language;
 - **Diploma Supplement (DS)** drafted according to the form developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO/CEPES;

alternatively

- **Declaration of value** which certifies that the educational qualification is valid in the country of issuance for admission to a Doctoral programme (third-cycle degree according to the Qualifications Framework in the European Higher Education Area QF EHEA, EQF level 8 according to European Qualifications Framework EQF);

alternatively

- Statement of comparability of foreign university qualification³ issued by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA) that contains all the information necessary for the assessment of the qualification.

If the foreign academic qualification has already been recognized as **equivalent**⁴ to a second cycle Italian qualification by the competent academic bodies of Italian universities, **the equivalence provision (Rectoral Decree)** must be attached.

7. The University will accept additional documents to be included in the application submitted if sent by email to ateneo@unitn.it

³ The University of Trento signed an agreement with the CIMEA Association about evaluating and verifying foreign titles through the online platform Diplome. Further information at: <https://www.unitn.it/en/international/coming-unitrento>. 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](#). The statement of comparability of qualifications relating to the 55 countries of the Lisbon Convention can be downloaded directly and free of charge through [ARDI – Automatic Recognition Database Italia](#)

⁴ Details at <https://www.cimea.it/EN/pagina-riconoscimento-accademico> - Point 3) "Nostrification procedure (equipollenza)".



(Subject: “Application ID number- applicant’s Surname and Name – Doctoral Programme in Agrifood and Environmental Sciences, 4^{2nd} cycle - Supplement to application”) by **May 28th 2026 at 4:00 p.m. Italian time**. Additional documents submitted by other means will be disregarded.

8. Only documents (originals or copies) in English and Italian will be considered for the selection by the Selection Committee; for all other languages it is compulsory to attach a translation into English or Italian signed by the applicant.
9. All applicants are admitted to the selection procedure **conditionally upon ascertainment that they fulfill the admission requirements (art. 2)**. The University of Trento has the right to verify the documents delivered pursuant to articles 71 et seq. of the Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000. **The University can at any time, even after enrolment and upon justified reasons, decide the exclusion of applicants lacking the requirements specified in the present call.**
10. According to Italian Law no. 104/92, Art. 20 and to Italian Law no. 68/99, Art. 16 (1), applicants with special needs or with learning disabilities may explicitly request in their application specific measures or special assistance during the examinations, in accordance with their certification. In this case personal data will be processed in compliance with the current law as indicated in the GDPR Privacy notice.

Art. 4 – EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

1. The evaluation is made by an Admissions Committee appointed by the Rector, consisting of a minimum of three members selected from among the teaching and research staff of Italian or foreign institutions, qualified in disciplines related to the scientific areas of the PhD program. It may also be supplemented by up to two experts, including international ones, selected from public and private research centres. The Selection Committee sets the evaluation criteria during a preliminary meeting.
2. The selection procedure is designed to rank, comparatively, the knowledge and aptitude of the applicants to carry out research in areas related to the Doctoral Programme and the chosen research area.

The selection is made on the basis of the assessment of:

- All the mandatory applicant’s qualifications listed in previous art. 3 and
- an interview, in English. The interview will assess the applicant’s basic knowledge about the Doctorate scientific areas, the previous research and professional experience, and qualifications declared in the application.

In order to be allowed to oral examination the candidate must provide a valid ID/passport with photo.

3. The Selection Committee will evaluate the eligibility of the applicants for the position they shown their preference, on the basis of the documents they uploaded in the online application, or they sent lately as an integration.

Important notice: Applicants competing for a reserved scholarship indicate that this is their primary preference.

4. The Selection Committee will award a maximum of **100 points**, of which:
0-40 points: assessment of qualifications;
0-60 points: oral examination.

Applicants obtaining a minimum score of **25** for the assessment of qualifications will be admitted to the oral examination which will be passed with a minimum score of 35; applicants **who have passed the oral examination** and obtained an overall score of 60/100, will thus be short-listed.

The **assessment of qualifications** will start from **June 10th, 2026**. The interviews will start from **June 22th, 2026**.

The applicants can choose⁵ to hold the interview as follows:

- a. **in person at the University of Trento;**
- b. **online interview:** using audio-video connection tools, that allow the correct identification of the participants (through a webcam), and the conduction of the oral test in a public form.

The Selection Committee will decide the schedule of the interviews. The University is not responsible for any technical problems that could affect the correct ongoing of the interview.

Date, time and place of the interview will be established by the Selection Committee. The interview schedule will be posted on the call for selection webpage.

The University is not responsible for any technical problems that could affect the correct ongoing of the interview. Any changes about the examination date will be posted solely on the selection web page.

To simplify the identification procedures, the identification document shall be the one attached when filling in the online application.

⁵ The choice has to be made in the relevant section while applying online



The applicant's not showing up or connecting for the interview whatever the reason, or not being reachable on the day and at the time set for the examination, or not providing a valid identification document constitute grounds for exclusion.

Art. 5 – RANKING

1. At the end of the selection procedure, the Selection Committee draws up one ranking list.
2. The available positions are assigned to short-listed applicants according to:
 - a) the position in the ranking list;
 - b) for reserved scholarships, the applicant's eligibility for that specific scholarship.In case of equal score see following art. 6.
2. Non-allocated scholarships on reserved topics will result in the reduction of the number of positions available.

Art. 6 – ADMISSION TO THE DOCTORAL PROGRAMME AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE POSITION

1. Short-listed applicants are admitted to the Doctoral Programme based on the final ranking until all available positions have been filled. All applicants compete for the award of the scholarships funded by the University of Trento; however, applicants who have been awarded a scholarship on a specific reserved topic must accept it. Renunciation of the reserved scholarship implies the applicant's exclusion from the right to enroll in the Doctoral Programme.
2. Should two applicants obtain the same score, regarding the award of the scholarship, the applicants' economic situations shall be the deciding factor, in accordance with the criteria established by the Italian Prime Minister's Decree of 09.04.2001 and subsequent amendments and integrations. As for positions without scholarship, the younger of the two applicants will be selected.
3. Admitted applicants must send their acceptance of the position by following the instructions at Enrolling in a PhD:
 - **within 8 days** starting from the day following the publication of the final ranking lists on the selection webpage for **positions covered with scholarships or other form of financial support**;
 - **within 14 days** starting from the day following publication of the final ranking lists on the selection webpage for **positions without scholarships or other form of financial support**.

N.B.! Admitted applicants with a qualification that has not been awarded in Italy must deliver (if they had not already done so during the application phase – "Application procedure") the PhD Office - Scientific-Technological Area (email: phd.office-st@unitn.it) **by November 6th, 2026**:

- scanned copy/pdf of the academic diploma of the *Master degree* (Master of Science/Arts or equivalent) in the original or certified copy, together with the academic transcript of records, possible official translations- legalized or with an apostille affixed (please carefully 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*⁶ issued by the Italian diplomatic or consular representations country of origin of the institution that awarded the title;

Alternatively

- *Statement of comparability* of foreign university qualifications issued by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA) that contains all the information necessary for the assessment of the qualification.

The University of Trento signed an agreement with the CIMEA Association for ENIC-NARIC certifications.

In case the Diploma Supplement, or the Declaration of Value, or the Statement of comparability are not available by November 6th, 2026, 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 applicants who do not provide the required above-mentioned documents by November 6th, 2026 will be "conditional" and the applicants will lose their right to continue 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

In the case of loss of student status, the applicant must return the scholarship instalments eventually received.

⁶ Should the Declaration of Value not be available by the given deadline, the applicant has to **produce evidence of the request to the Diplomatic mission**. The applicant has to provide the original copy of the Declaration of Value as soon as it is available.



- Note that the acceptance of a position must include the payment of stamp duty and the payment of the "provincial tax for the right to higher education" - TDS (except for exemption cases). At present, no fees are charged to doctoral students to access courses and attend them, with the exception of the aforementioned annual provincial tax for the right to study (TDS).
- Admitted applicants who do not accept the position by the above-mentioned deadlines will lose their right to registration, and their places will be offered to the next applicants on the relevant ranking.
- If a successful applicant withdraws **before the beginning of the Doctoral Programme** (November 1st, 2026), the next applicant on the ranking will be offered the position, if entitled to it based on the eligibility assessment for reserved scholarships. The latter must submit his/her acceptance of the position **within 4 days** starting from the day after the day on which the communication from PhD Office - Scientific-Technological Area is sent.
- If a successful applicant **withdraws or is excluded during the first three months of the first year**, the Doctoral Committee may decide to fill the vacancy with the next applicant on the relevant ranking, considering the acquired eligibility for reserved scholarships.
- At the end of the enrolment period, doctoral students must communicate via e-mail (phd.xxx@unitn.it) to the Doctoral Programme Secretariat the exact date of their arrival in Trento. Doctoral students who cannot be, for justified reasons, in Trento at the beginning of the academic year must submit adequate motivations and justifications by **no later than October 31st, 2026**, on penalty of exclusion from the Doctoral Programme. In the case of a lack of communication and failure to arrive in Trento by the above-mentioned deadline Doctoral student will be deemed to have withdrawn from the Doctoral Programme.

Art. 7 – ENROLMENT ON THE DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

- Enrolment on the Doctoral Programme, only for admitted applicants who have accepted the position as mentioned above, will be automatically formalized as soon as the accreditation for the academic year 2026/2027 has been confirmed by the Ministry of University and Research. If accreditation is not confirmed, applicants who have accepted a position will receive timely notification via email, and the fee for the Right to Education (TDS) will be refunded.
- In order to complete the enrolment process, those applicants who have obtained their academic qualifications abroad must, upon their arrival in Italy, show the official documents (the original ones or certified copies of them) relative to their academic record that have already been submitted in scanned form during admission to the selection phase or upon acceptance of the position, thereby enabling the appropriate checks of the validity of the qualifications to be conducted, also through the national information centers on the recognition of foreign qualifications belonging to the ENIC-NARIC network. Until that time, applicants are provisionally admitted to the course and may be excluded if they do not fulfil the requirements.

Art. 8 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS ON RESEARCH RESULTS AND PUBLICATIONS

- 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) 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 involved⁷.
- Before starting their research activities, the admitted applicants must sign a declaration, validated by the academic supervisor, regarding their commitment to confidentiality about information, data and reserved documents they can learn about during their doctoral activities at and/or on behalf of the University of Trento. When the research activities are funded by private or public bodies other than the University, the admitted applicants must sign a declaration, validated by the academic supervisor, to allow the University to respect its duties about the intellectual property rights towards the funding body and eventually a Declaration of commitment with the funding body, when required.

Art. 9 – REFERRAL RULES

- For matters not explicitly mentioned in the present call, refer to Law no. 398 of 30.11.1989, art. 4 of Law no. 210 of 3.07.1998 as amended by art.19, par. 1, of the Law no. 240 of 30.12.2010, to Ministerial Decree no. 226 of 14.12.2021 and to the University Regulations for Doctoral Programmes issued by Rector's Decree no. 250 of 11.03.2022, to the Code of Ethics of the University of Trento, to the Students' Honour Code, to the Doctoral Programmes Regulations, and to the other relevant provisions contained in the current legislation.
- This call for applications, together with an English version, will be published on the University of Trento's website, the Euraxess website and the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research's website.
- Any changes or additions to the call will be published on the selection webpage.
- The person responsible for the administrative procedure is the Head of the Education and Student Services Management of the University of Trento.

⁷ See <https://www.unitn.it/en/third-mission/recognising-value-research/intellectual-property>



5. The processing of personal data provided as a result of participation in this selection will be carried out in compliance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 ("GDPR") and Legislative Decree no. 196 of 30 June 2003, as subsequently amended. Information about the personal data processing is provided to interested parties upon registration for the selection and can be consulted on the selection webpage.
6. The reference office is the PhD Office - Scientific-Technological Area, email: phd.office-st@unitn.it. The Selection Committee is responsible for the selection process of the applications, from the evaluation of the qualifications to the drafting of the minutes, and the formulation of the merit rankings.

On behalf of
The Rector
The Head of Education and Student Services
Paolo Zanei