CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR SPECIFIC PROJECT

Call for applications to research fellowships for specific research programmes pursuant to art. 7 of the Regulations on research fellowships awarding

CA' FOSCARI UNIVERSITY OF VENICE
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

The present document in English is to be considered as a mere courtesy copy of the official call which is available in Italian at the following link. The text in Italian is the official text of the call for all legal intents and purposes and, in the event of non-conformity with the present document, it shall prevail.

The Deputy Director of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage

HAVING REGARD TO the law December of 30th 2010, no. 240 and in particular art. 18 and 22 “assegni di ricerca” [research fellowships];

HAVING REGARD TO the DM of March 9th2011 no. 102, registered at the Corte dei Conti [National Audit Office] on May 13th 2011;

HAVING REGARD TO the MIUR [Ministry of Education, University and Research] note, reg. no. 583 of 08/04/2011;

HAVING REGARD TO the DLgs of January 9th2008, no. 17;

HAVING REGARD TO the law of August 7th1990, no. 241 and subsequent amendments and additions;

HAVING REGARD TO the D.P.R of December 28th2000, no. 445, "Testo Unico delle disposizioni legislative e regolamentari in materia di documentazione amministrativa" [Consolidation Act of the legislative and regulatory provisions concerning administrative documentation];

HAVING REGARD TO the DLgs of June 30th2003, no. 196 and subsequent amendments and additions;

HAVING REGARD TO the DLgs. of April 4th 2006 no.198 “Codice delle pari opportunità tra uomo e donna”, pursuant to art.6 the law of November 28th 2005 no.246” and subsequent amendments and additions [equal opportunities for men and women];

HAVING REGARD TO the Statute of Ca’ Foscari University of Venice;


HAVING REGARD TO D.R. n. 1203 of December 7th 2020 that nominated prof. Lucio Cortella a Deputy Director del of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage from October 1st 2020 to September 30th 2023;

HAVING REGARD TO the resolution n. 28 of the Consiglio di Dipartimento of the 30th October 2019 that delegates the Director to issue calls for research fellowships, research grants and collaborations funded by external projects, once verified the needs and the budget of the projects together with the project coordinator;

VERIFIED that the fellowship will be charged on the funds of the project FBC.GA949742.ERC.RAFFAETA providing financial guarantee of the first year instalment charged to budget item COAN 03.01.03;

establishes the following:

Art. 1 - Scope

Research Office
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1. A public selection is announced to award **no 4 research fellowships** lasting 12 months, with the possibility of renewal for the maximum duration of 36 months within the limits of art. 2 of the Regulations on university Research Fellowship Awarding, which will be subject to a specific contract. Should the funding deriving from the project which covers the grant fail, either totally or partially - ERC HealthXCross “Remaking Health in a Microbial Planet by Crossing Space, Time, Species and Epistemic Cultures” (GA 949742) CUP: H75F21000440006, PI prof. Roberta Raffaetà - the University will not proceed with the assignment of the fellowship (unless otherwise decided by the Department in terms of opportunities and convenience).

   The expected starting date is approximately **01/11/2022**.

   The research fellowship amounts to **Euro 26.050,00** per year gross to the recipient, net of the expenses to be sustained by the employer. The amount may be subject to adjustment in the event of variations in the law.

2. The research fellowship is awarded for the purpose of collaboration with the following research programme of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage: ERC Starting Grant Project HealthXCross “Remaking Health in a Microbial Planet by Crossing Space, Time, Species and Epistemic Cultures” (GA 949742) CUP: H75F21000440006, PI prof. Roberta Raffaetà:

   **Title:** Lab ethnography and planetary microbiome research

   **Scientific disciplinary sector and/or disciplines specifically identified by the call:**
   M-DEA/01 Demology, ethnology and anthropology

   **Scientific coordinator and tutor:** prof. Roberta Raffaetà

   **Duration:** 12 months, renewable up to maximum of 36 months

   **Abstract:**

   HealthXCross is an ethnographic study of four microbiome research laboratories in which scientists analyse the microbial ecosystem by aggregating different scales, different places, different species and different disciplines. The aim of the research undertaken in these laboratories is to reconfigure health concepts and practices to intervene in the health of both humans and the environment, in line with a planetary health perspective. For further information on the project, see [https://prc.unive.it/projects/healthxcross/home](https://prc.unive.it/projects/healthxcross/home) and/or contact the PI, Roberta Raffaetà at roberta.raffaeta@unive.it. Each selected postdoctoral researcher will undertake fieldwork in one laboratory study (two are in the United States, one in Germany and one in Africa). Postdocs will critically analyze the work of the scientists involved in the assigned laboratory, with a specific focus on how health practices and concepts are reconfigured through technoscientific practices (metagenomics, big data and artificial intelligence). The postdocs will work closely with the scientists in the lab, therefore a collaborative and participatory attitude is required. The aim of the project is the production of useful knowledge both for the studied community and for the anthropological community. The fellows will contribute to delivering the project’s expected results within the deadline, and disseminate them in accordance with the project research framework. Active participation in weekly HealthXCross team meetings, contribution to the website, updates through social media, and other project communication activities are also part of the postdocs’ tasks.

3. The selection aims to ascertain the scientific-professional requirements deemed necessary to carry out the above research activities.

**Art. 2 – Requirements for participation in the selection procedure**

1. Citizens belonging to European Union member states and non-community citizens in possession of the following qualifications may take part in the selection:
- master’s degree (or equivalent title according to the Italian law) in Anthropology (or related disciplines) or Sociology (or related disciplines) or Biological Sciences (or related disciplines) or Computer Sciences (or related disciplines) or equivalent qualification obtained abroad and appropriate scientific-professional curriculum.

2. Qualifications obtained abroad will be examined by the Committee, in accordance with the following art. 4, which may consider them as being equivalent for the purposes of admission, without prejudice to the current legislation.

3. Candidates must be in possession of the requirements at the deadline established by this selection procedure announcement (see art. 3, par. 2).

4. The following are not eligible for fellowships and are therefore automatically excluded from participation in the selection procedure: candidates who have a degree of kinship or affinity, up to and including the fourth degree, with a professor belonging to the department or to the facility issuing the call for applications, or with the Vice Chancellor, the Director-General or a member of the University Board of Directors.

5. The following are not eligible for fellowships: permanent employees of the universities, public research institutions and administrations, the National Council for New Technology, Energy and the Environment (ENEA) and the Italian Space Agency (ASI), institutions whose scientific specialisation diploma has been recognised equivalent to the title of PhD in accordance with article 74, fourth paragraph, of the Presidential Decree of July 11th 1980, no. 382, in accordance with the relative budget availability.

6. Private employees cannot be grant holders, even if employed on part-time basis.

7. Candidates are admitted to the selection conditionally; the University will exclude, by motivated provision, candidates who are lacking the prescribed requirements. Said provision is notified to the concerned party by registered letter with recorded delivery or by telegram on the request of the concerned party.

8. In any case the grant will be awarded having regard to the art. 18 of the Regulations on the Research Fellowship.

Art. 3 – Application for participation in the selection and deadline

1. Candidates must submit an application with all the required documents in accordance with the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding and the following paragraphs.

2. Applications, together with all the required documentation, have to be submitted exclusively online at the following webpage: https://apps.unive.it/domandeconcorso-en/accesso/erc-4ar-healthxcross-2022 not later than noon time (12:00 Rome CET) of 16/03/2022, according to the publication of the call for applications on the University webpage “Albo online” (online register of the University call for proposals and tenders). In case the deadline is on Saturdays, Sundays or on holidays, it is extended to the first working day thereafter.

The call for proposals is published on the University web pages (link), on the website of the Ministry of Higher Education and Research (link) as well as on the European Union web page (link).

3. The application form together with compulsory declarations are available on the University website (link).

4. The candidate, after the uploading procedure, will receive a submission number and an e-mail acknowledging the receipt of his/her application. The candidate if necessary could access the procedures for updating any data and materials through the link and the submission number provided in the e-mail, in any case any updates must be made no later than the deadline of 16/03/2022 noon time (12:00 Rome CET) until the call deadline expires.
5. Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate until 24 hours prior to the deadline. For further information please contact the Research Office of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage email: ricerca.fbc@unive.it

6. Please note that in case of a high number of applications and/or weight of the materials uploaded by the candidates the system might become slower. Therefore, it is suggested not to start the process close to the deadline.

7. Incomplete applications or the ones without the compulsory attachments or unsigned, where required, will not be taken into consideration. Furthermore, the applications which, for any reason, reach this University beyond the term specified in paragraph 2 cannot be accepted.

8. With the exception of the provisions of art. 6, all the communication between the University and the applicants will be sent by certified email, registered mail with recorded delivery, or telegram.

9. The candidate in the application or the attachments must declare his/her surname and first name, date and place of birth, taxpayer’s code and residence.

10. In addition to the above, candidates must declare:
   a) the title of the fellowship;
   b) the Scientific Disciplinary Sectors;
   c) the possession of master’s degree or equivalent title obtained abroad. Candidates in possession of a qualification obtained abroad must also submit a copy of the foreign title with a translation in Italian or English language including marks obtained, accompanied by a self-declaration relating to the conformity to the original of the translation itself. The candidate who has been awarded a Diploma Supplement, may not submit any other documentation, provided that the DS provides a complete description of the nature, level, academic system and status of the studies carried out. In any case, it is advised to submit any other document useful to the evaluation of the academic title obtained;
   d) the eventual possession of PhD degree or equivalent title obtained in Italy or abroad and all the related data foreseen in the application. Candidates in possession of a qualification obtained abroad must also submit a copy of the foreign title with a translation in Italian or English language including marks obtained in the exams and the PhD, accompanied by a self-declaration relating to the conformity to the original of the translation itself. In any case, it is advised to submit any other document useful to the evaluation of the academic title obtained;
   e) nationality;
   f) to be medically fit to discharge his/her duties for the fellowship;
   g) to have/have not criminal conviction and/or being/not being currently involved in criminal proceedings. On this regard, the University reserves the right to assess at its discretion, for the purposes of the possible exclusion of the candidate from the selection, the seriousness of the criminal convictions declared and those that may occur as a result of the ongoing criminal proceedings
   h) whether he/she received a PhD fellowship;
   i) whether he/she has already received a research fellowship (“assegno di ricerca”) under art. 22 of Italian law no. 240/2010;
   j) whether he/she has already held contracts under art. 24 of Italian law no. 240/2010;
   k) his/her submission of an individual proposal such as Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) or similar, having passed all the evaluation thresholds;
   l) the conclusion of a Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ERC Starting Grant/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) or similar
funded projects by 16/03/2022;

m) the possession of a residence permit valid at the deadline of the call for applications, in case he/she is a non-European citizen residing in Italy;

n) the consciousness that awarding of the fellowship is not compatible with the positions referred to in art. 11, with the exception of the provisions of the Regulations on university research fellowships awarding and the current legislation;

o) the preference of the foreign language/s in which to be tested during the interview, if art. 5 of this call offers a choice of foreign languages;

p) the possession of the evaluation criteria listed in art. 5;

q) the request to be interviewed and take the other foreseen tests in English or another language, if specifically foreseen by this call;

r) any other item specifically required in articles 2, 3 and 5;

s) any other item specifically required by the application form;

t) disabled candidates, in accordance with the Italian law of 5th February 1992 no. 104 and subsequent amendments and additions, shall make a specific request in relation to their disability concerning any aids they require in order to take any tests and sit the interview.

11. Lack of the declaration/s in accordance with letter c), d) and g) of previous paragraph of this article, will result in the exclusion from the selection.

12. The University accepts no liability in the event of the recipient being untraceable or dispersion of the communications due to inaccurate indication of the domicile by the candidate, failure or delay in communication of variation of domicile or causes not depending on the University, or for any postal, telegraphic or telematic errors or those attributable to third parties, chance events or force majeure.

13. The declarations made in the application shall be considered issued in accordance with the Italian DPR no. 445/2000 and subsequent amendments, by candidates entitled to use the simplified administrative certifications permitted by the above decree.

14. Candidates must enclose with their application:
   a) a scanned copy of a valid identification document;
   b) a motivation letter (max 2 pages) along with their scientific-professional curriculum, both to be enclosed as a one single .pdf file. In the motivation letter the candidates must illustrate how they plan to contribute to the aims and to the objectives of the HealthXCross project through the sub-project ‘Lab ethnography and planetary microbiome research’ with their expertise/experience, making explicit reference to the research fields listed in Art. 5.2. The curriculum vitae must be signed, specifying the educational qualification possessed for the purposes of the application and a detailed description of the candidate’s scientific-professional qualifications; a declaration must be appended in the footnote of the curriculum, pursuant to the Italian DPR 445/2000 and subsequent amendments and additions, that the information provided corresponds to the truth. Moreover, the candidates have to consent to the use of their personal data for the purposes of this selection procedure pursuant to the Italian Legislative Decree 196/2003 and Reg. EU 2016/679);
   c) the attachments called “obligations and understanding” and “participation and compatibility”;  
   d) the “Declaration on availability to attend the online interview”, available on https://www.unive.it/pag/28830 to send by email to ricerca.fbc@unive.it with Subject “POSTDOC ERC HXC - Declaration on availability to attend the online interview”

Incomplete applications will be rejected.

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a) a list of the candidate’s scientific publications (published and forthcoming). The publications’ file, maximum 5, have to be attached by the online submission procedure;

b) declaration to fulfil the additional evaluation criteria listed in art. 5 according the scheme “preferential criteria”;

c) any other item specifically required in articles 2, 3 and 5;

d) 2 recommendation contacts (name, surname, affiliation and email address).

16. The same procedure established in the previous paragraphs for Italian citizens should be applied to citizens of the European Union. Citizens of countries not belonging to the European Union, regularly residing in Italy, can use the self-certifications established by the Italian DPR no. 445/2000 limited to the countries, personal qualities and facts that can be certified or attested by Italian public bodies, with the exception of the special provisions contained in the legislation and regulations concerning immigration and the status of foreigners.

17. Citizens of countries not belonging to the European Union authorised to reside in the Italian territory can use the aforementioned self-certifications if the same are produced under international agreements between Italy and the country of origin of the declarant.

18. The University performs sample checks on the truthfulness of the declarations made by the candidates in the applications and in the curriculum. If the above check reveals that the content of the declaration is not true, the declarant will forfeit any benefits conferred on the basis of the untruthful declaration, without prejudice to the provisions of the criminal code and relevant special legislation.

Art. 4 – Selection Committee

1. A Selection Committee is purposely appointed in accordance with art. 9 of the Regulations.

2. Prior to examination of the applications, the Committee determines the general criteria for evaluation of the scientific-professional qualifications required for participation in selection, the possible preliminary tests, the interview and the evaluation criteria described in articles 2 and 5, with regard to their specific relevance to the research activity subject of this call and establishes, for each type of qualification, the score to be attributed, in accordance to the evaluation grid defined by the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding (see att. B).

3. The selection reports will be approved by decree of the Director of Department and made public as established by art. 10 par. 5 of the Regulations on Research Fellowships Awarding.

Art. 5 – Assessment procedure

1. The selection is made by assessment of the scientific and professional qualifications, the curriculum vitae and scientific production of the candidates, followed by an interview.

2. Candidates are admitted to the interview on the basis of the assessment of their scientific-professional qualifications. The interview, in remote and in English and/or in Italian, aims to assess the candidates’ skills and expertise on the following subjects:

   - knowledge of the research fields relevant to the research topic. In particular, in at least one of these fields: 1) medical anthropology; One/planetary health; 2) anthropological/philosophical or historical studies on the microbiome/microbiology; 3) critical data studies; Science and Technology Studies; 4) anthropological studies on Africa;

   - ethnographic experience, also in interdisciplinary teams;

   - collaborations with microbiology laboratories;

   - English, spoken and written, in particular on the research field;

   - assessment of the level of Italian language for foreign candidates.
3. Candidates whose qualifications are judged to be insufficient by the Selection Committee, in accordance with the previous art. 4, are excluded from the interview. The candidate must reach a minimum threshold of 42/60.

4. Exclusion is justified in detail in the selection reports which can be accessed in accordance with law 241/90, and as established also in the subsequent art. 8.

5. In addition to the publications, the following qualifications are considered as evaluation criteria:
   a. Specialisation diplomas and attendance certificates at post-graduate specialization courses, obtained both in Italy or abroad, documented research activity in public and private organisations with contracts, study grants or assignments both in Italy and abroad, in particular with reference to the topics covered by the grant.
   b. PhD diploma in the research fields of the call;
   c. The completion of the attendance of a PhD course in the research fields of the call pending the awarding of the degree.

Art. 6 – Selection and ranking
1. The classification and consequent identification of the successful candidate will be made by The Selection Committee, which can award a total of 100 points, as established by the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding (see Annex B), to be allocated as follows:
   ● Qualifications (including publications), up to 60 points;
   ● Interview, up to 40 points.

2. Candidates are admitted to the interview if assessment of the qualifications results in a score equal to or greater than 42/60.

3. The interview will be held online (videoconference by Google Meet) in any case on 04/04/2022 at 2.00 p.m. (Italian time). The list of candidates admitted to the interview, or any delay, will be published on 29/03/2022 on the University website (link) and on the other web pages as established by the current regulations.

4. Publication of the above calendar and of the shortlisted candidates, constitutes notification to all intents and purposes of the call for applications. Shortlisted candidates are therefore required to connect, with the valid identification document submitted with the application, without any notice, on the day and at the time and with the modalities that will be specified in the public notice (link).

5. Absence of the candidates at the interview will be considered to all intents and purposes as a withdrawal from the selection, whatever the cause.

6. The interview is held publicly. Candidates are deemed to have passed the interview if they reach a minimum score of 28/40.

7. Candidates are considered suitable for the specific research activity if the sum of the points assigned to the qualifications (and to any further tests) and to the interview is equal to or greater than 70/100.

8. On the basis of the scores attributed, the Committee draws up a merit ranking list in accordance to art. 10 of the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding.

9. In the event of two or more candidates obtaining the same score at the end of the selection, the younger candidate will be preferred.

10. In the event of non-acceptance or withdrawal of the selected candidate within the terms communicated by the department or early termination of the collaboration in the research activity, other candidates might be called according to the order in which they are listed on the merit ranking list, as established by the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding (art.10 and 21 par. 7).

Art. 7 – Awarding of the research fellowship
1. Having received the selection documents, the Director approves, by his own decree, the ranking list and the selection procedure reports and makes them public according to the procedures specified in the following art. 8. The approval decree ascertains the overall regularity of the procedure and compliance with current legislation and the University regulations.

2. If any irregularity is found, the Director of the structure requests clarifications from the Selection Committee. In the absence of a response within 20 days of the request or in the event of a negative evaluation of the elements provided in the response, the Director of the structure repeals the procedure.

3. The deadline for any appeal against the procedure is set by the date of the publication of the ranking list.

4. The ranking list is valid for a period of one year.

5. The Department that issued the call can use the ranking, without prejudice to ensure adequate financial coverage, in the following cases:
   a) impossibility to sign the contract with the winner;
   b) withdrawal of the winner before the contract is signed;
   c) withdrawal of the winner after the contract is signed;
   d) in case the need to activate additional positions on the same specific project arises.

6. In case the contract cannot be signed, the amount set aside for the present call for applications will be made available to the Department.

7. The Director of the Department where the research programme will be conducted, awards the research fellowship to the winner of the selection procedure, subject to ascertainment of the prescribed requirements.

8. The latter shall accept the award within 7 days from receipt of the communication by signing the relative contract at the competent office of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage, which will establish the terms of and procedures for the collaboration and allocation of the grant, within the terms set in article 1.

9. The research fellowship can be renewed, subject to the necessary financial backing, in the manner and under the terms established by articles 2, 13 and 21 of the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding.

**Art. 8 – Publication of the selection procedure**

1. Publication of the results of all the selection phases is ensured by affixing a notice at the premises of the concerned department, in the provided spaces, with indication of the scores assigned to the qualifications and to the interview and the final classification. The selection documents are made public also on the university website and on the other web pages as established by the current regulations.

2. Access to the selection documents is guaranteed pursuant to the law of August 7th 1990, no. 241 and subsequent amendments and additions and relative internal implementation regulations.

**Art. 9 – Activity of the research fellow**

1. During the whole research period, the activity of the research fellow is conducted at the Department awarding the fellowship, except for external missions envisaged by the research project and/or those the tutor or the Department Director have authorised in advance, as established in art. 13 of the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding.

2. The activity of the research fellow is conducted independently and without set working times, solely within the limits of the research programme and the indications provided by the research coordinator, who will act as tutor without prejudice to art. 13 of the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding.
3. The activity of the research fellow in no way constitutes a subordinate working relationship and does not give rise to rights in respect of access to permanent employment at the University.

4. The research fellow must arrange for his/her social security and welfare obligations. Also, he/she is to register on https://loginmiur.cineca.it/, and implement ARCA scientific publications’ list. He has to follow the University Regulations, specifically this notice, the Regulation concerning intellectual property, issued by D.R. n. 351/2012, June 28th 2012 and subsequent amendments and additions, the University ethical code, the public administration code of conduct, in accordance with art. 54, d.l. 165 March 30th 2001.

Art. 10 – Intellectual property, patentability and confidentiality

1. The legal and economic aspects relative to protection and exploitation of all the results of the research will be established by the contract stipulated with the winning candidate/s. Specifically, in compliance with the current legislation and the rules of the University concerning patents and industrial property D.R. n. 351/2012, June 28th 2012 and subsequent amendments and additions, and without prejudice to legislation in force, all the research results will be considered as property of the University; the latter will be able to exploit, use and/or publish such results, without prejudice to the inventor’s moral rights.

2. The University Regulations (e.g. see art. 17 of the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding), and the current laws will apply to all matters not covered in this call about the Intellectual property, patentability and confidentiality.

Art. 11 - Incompatibility – Ban on accumulation – Suspension of activity

1. Research fellows can hold teaching contracts within the University and can be part of the examining committees as experts in their subject, having regard to art. 4 of the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding.

2. The research fellowship may not be accumulated with study grants awarded for any reason, except for those awarded by national or foreign institutions for stays abroad in order to integrate the research activity of the research fellow.

3. The research fellowship is not compatible with participation in degree or master degree courses, specialist degree, PhD with grant or medical specialisation, in Italy or abroad, and entails extended unpaid leave for public administration employees, even if part-time employed, without prejudice to the provisions contained in the laws concerning the appointment of paid assignments to full-time civil servants.

4. The duration of the relations between the University and the research fellow - as in L. 240/2010 art. 22, including any renewals, may not in any case exceed 6 years, including different contracts stipulated with different universities, also for non-continuous periods, according to the provisions of the law 240/2010 art. 22 as well as the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding (art. 2). For the purpose of duration of the above relations, periods of leave due to maternity or for health reasons are not taken into account under the current regulations.

5. The duration of the relations between the University and the same person, who is a research fellow, can exceed 6 years in the cases established by the Regulations art. 2, and any subsequent adaptations to national laws.

6. The research fellow may accept self-employed work or occasional or continuous collaboration, compatibly with the existing research activity and subject to authorisation by the Department, on condition that the activity does not involve conflict of interest with the specific research activity carried out by the research fellow and does not damage the University, without prejudice to the provisions of the Regulations on Research Fellowship Awarding, and any normative adaptations.

7. The research activity and the grant may be suspended due to compulsory military service, compulsory maternity leave and parental leave, serious illness or difficult family issues and study
grants awarded by national or foreign institutions permitted by the current regulations and not directly linked to the research programme funded, for a maximum of 1 year; in this case the entire duration of the research fellowship grant is not reduced due to the above suspensions.

8. An overall period of justified absence of less than thirty days in one year does not constitute suspension and consequently does not have to be made up.

9. The research fellows, with the exclusion of those who are simultaneously holders of teaching contracts within the University, can attend PhD courses without grant, also as supernumeraries, subject to passing of the entrance tests.

10. The research fellow may take part in University research groups and projects, whatever the funding body.

Art. 12 – Method of control and assessment of research fellow activity

1. Without prejudice to the provisions of par. 2 of this article, the research fellow is required to report on his/her research activity whenever requested to do so by the tutor. For said purpose the research fellow may be required to keep a diary-register in which he/she periodically notes the state of progress of the research programme, except for art. 13 provisions within the Regulations.

2. The research fellow is required to present to the Department, at the end of the tenure period and in any case at the end of each year, in the case of a grant lasting several years, a written report on the research activity conducted also for the purpose of adjustment of the amount of the research fellowship grant where scheduled by the contract according to the preceding art. 7. In the report, the research fellow shall accurately and thoroughly detail the research methods applied and achievement of the results, even though they might be partial results, with reference to the specific programme in which he/she collaborates with, also for the purpose of renewal of the grant if necessary, except for art. 13 provisions within the Regulations.

3. At the end of his/her research activity, the research fellow is required to provide the Department with:
   - advanced draft of one paper to submit in an international peer-review journal;
   - participation/submission of an abstract in at least one international conference;

4. The report, together with the opinion of the tutor on the appropriateness of the research methods applied and the validity of the results achieved, is submitted for examination to the Council of the Department or the body responsible.

5. In the event of a negative assessment, the Council of the Department or the body responsible, having consulted the research fellow, can propose revocation of the grant. Early termination of the collaboration in the research activity is decided by the Council of the Department or the body responsible.

6. At the end of the grant, the above report shall describe accurately and thoroughly the research methods applied and achievement of the goals set by the research programme, also for the purpose of renewal of the grant if necessary.

7. Collaboration in the research activity may be terminated early in cases of serious and documented non-fulfilment of the requirements by the research fellow as notified by the tutor or by the Council of the department or body responsible. Likewise the University is entitled to take any legal action to protect its interests and assets.

Art. 13 – Taxation, social security and insurance

1. In respect of taxation, the fellowships are subject to the provisions of art. 4 of the law of August 13th 1984, no. 476 and subsequent amendments and additions, and in respect of social security, those of art. 2, paragraphs 26 and following of the law of August 08th 1995, no. 335 and subsequent amendments and additions.

3. During the period of compulsory maternity leave, the benefit paid by INPS (National Social Security Institute) in accordance with article 5 of the above decree of 12th July 2007 is integrated up to the entire amount of the research grant by the body responsible for administration and management of the grant.

4. The fellowships are subject, in respect of sick leave, to article 1, paragraph 788, of the law of December 27th 2006, no.296, and subsequent amendments and additions.

5. The financial aspects of the research grants are regulated by the ministerial notes no. 2867 of December 15th 1997 and no. 523 of March 12th 1998; the remuneration, in the light of the resolution no. 17/E of the Ministry of Finance, ref. no. 2000/30703 of February 17th 2000, comes under the category of incomes equated to those of subordinate employment since they fall within the scope of art.50 (ex art. 47), par. 1, letters c) and c)-bis of the D.P.R. no. 917 of December 22nd 1986 and subsequent amendments in the matter of 'Tax Consolidation Act'.

6. The University provides insurance cover for accidents and third party liability for the research grant holders during their research activity.

**Art. 14 – Processing of personal information**

The personal information provided by the candidates in their applications for participation in the selection procedure are processed pursuant to the legislative decree of 30th June 2003, no. 196 and subsequent amendments and additions and Reg. EU 2016/679. Comprehensive information on personal data processing can be found [here](#).

**Art.15 – Person in charge of the procedure**

Pursuant to the provisions of art. 5 of the law of August 7th 1990, no. 241 and subsequent amendments and additions, the person in charge of the administrative procedure for this selection is Atty. Esterita Vanin, Executive Officer of the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage.

**Art. 16 – Final provisions**

The University Regulations and the current legislation will apply to all matters not covered in the following call.

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**THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR**

of the Department of Philosophy

and Cultural Heritage

Prof. Lucio Cortella

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**Visto R.P.A.**

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

of the Department of Philosophy

and Cultural Heritage

Atty. Esterita Vanin