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EUTOPIA Innovation Challenges for researchers

October 14-17, 2024

University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

PREAMBLE

EUTOPIA is a challenge-led, student-centred, inclusive alliance of 10 like-minded universities. Our mission is to connect communities across our campuses in order to transform our universities into open, inclusive, diverse, and innovative enablers for outreach impact on societies. Our approach fosters emergence and innovation, and our shared commitments provide the coherence of our common efforts to ensure that EUTOPIA is geared towards the challenges of the future; student-centred and student-empowering; committed to the principles of openness and inclusion; at the service of society.

PURPOSE OF THE CALL AND GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. This call aims to select a total of **2 researchers** from Ca' Foscari University of Venice. The other partners of the EUTOPIA Alliance are: Babeş-Bolyai University, **Romania**; Vrije Universiteit Brussel, **Belgium**; CY Cergy Paris Université, **France**; Technische Universität Dresden, **Germany**; University of Gothenburg, **Sweden**; University of Ljubljana, **Slovenia**; NOVA University Lisbon, **Portugal**; Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, **Spain**; The University of Warwick, **United Kingdom**, Stellenbosch University, **South-Africa**.
2. The “**EUTOPIA Innovation Challenges for researchers**” will be held in person from October 14 - 18, 2024 hosted by the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia (hereinafter: UL).
3. The official language of the event is English.
4. The “**EUTOPIA Innovation Challenges for researchers**” is organised in the framework of the “UNI.MIND Festival of Science and Innovation”, involving local and national businesses and enterprises based in Slovenia such as Marles hiše, Hidria, Oljarna Lijsjak and biotech companies. It will explore topics in **sustainable construction, sustainable materials, digitalisation in construction, biotech related**.

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants must be: researchers already involved in any EUTOPIA “[Connected Research Community](#)”, current [EUTOPIA YLA fellows](#), early career researchers (“ricercatori RTDA, RTDB”), and PhD candidates.
2. The selected candidates must hold the above-mentioned status, both at the moment of application, as well as when the event will take place. The EUTOPIA Unit at Ca' Foscari University of Venice must be informed timely of any possible change in their status.
3. The entire application and all its annexes shall be written in English.
4. Applicants shall submit a full application, composed of the following mandatory documents:
 - 4.a. the Application form (Annex 1): applicants must write (maximum 200 words in total):
 - their motivation to attend the “EUTOPIA Innovation Challenges for researchers”;
 - what they hope to receive out of their participation;
 - what skills they want to develop.
 - 4.b. detailed academic CV, written in English language;
 - 4.c. certificate of English language: any certificate can be accepted, however candidates holding an internationally recognised certification will have a priority. The list of international certifications recognised by Ca' Foscari University of Venice is available at the following link: <https://www.unive.it/paq/40609/?L=1>.
5. Applications shall be saved as a single PDF document (including the academic CV, the language certificate, etc.) and named as follows:
InnovationChallenge_Surname_Name.pdf
6. Ineligibility:
 - 6.a. if, at any stage in the application procedure, it is established that the information provided by the applicant has been knowingly falsified, the candidate will be disqualified from the selection process.
 - 6.b. applicants in a mobility abroad financed by any EU-funded programme (e.g.: Erasmus+ Horizon Europe, etc.) at the moment of the implementation of the activity, cannot be considered eligible.



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ADMISSION PROCEDURE

1. Applicants must submit their application form (see Annex I), using the following link: <https://bit.ly/3YsIYQb> and a valid institutional account (@unive.it). Personal data collected through the online application form will be processed by Ca' Foscari University of Venice as described below in the data protection section.
2. Deadline: **August 25th 2024**. Any application received after the deadline will not be considered.

SELECTION PROCESS

Selection

A selection committee will be established at Ca' Foscari University of Venice.

The final ranking will be published on Ca' Foscari website and selected candidates will be contacted via email by eutopia@unive.it to confirm their participation according to the calendar established. Candidates who fail to confirm according to the deadlines and procedures forfeit the right to participate. A repechage procedure shall be scheduled for any places still available.

Calendar

- Deadline for applications: August 25th, 2024.
- Publication of selected candidates: August 29th - 30th, 2024.
- Deadline for acceptance and confirmation of participation: September 2nd, 2024, at 11.00 am.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Ca' Foscari University of Venice selection committee will select students according to the following criteria:

- Knowledge of the EUTOPIA Alliance: up to 10 points
- Motivation of the candidate: up to 10 points.
- CV and Suitability of the candidate: up to 10 points
- Knowledge of English: up to 10 points.

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OBLIGATIONS OF SELECTED CANDIDATES

The selected candidates will need to attend and actively participate in the working groups and to develop one of the following topics:

- *sustainable construction*
- *sustainable materials*
- *digitalisation in construction*
- *biotech related.*

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Ca' Foscari University of Venice will cover accommodation and travel (travel ticket, accommodation and meals, based on its own regulations). All these costs will be covered by Ca' Foscari using the EUTOPIA MORE funds.

DATA PROTECTION

Data protection information - Selection procedure

Ca' Foscari University of Venice (protocollo@pec.unive.it, Dorsoduro n. 3246, 30123 Venice), in its capacity as data controller, provides the applicants with information on the processing of their personal data collected to carry out the selection procedures for the "EUTOPIA Innovation Challenges for researchers" ("Event"). The event will be held at UL (University of Ljubljana, Slovenia) on October 14-17, 2024

The University collects applicants' personal data, such as name, surname, contact details, academic experiences and other relevant information.

Applicants' personal data will be stored for 5 years from the time of collection.

Personal data is collected and processed to select the students that wish to take part in the Event. **Only personal data of selected candidates will be shared with UL as it is necessary for the organisation of the event.**

Data protection information - Organisation of the event

The University of Ljubljana (UL), located at Kongresni trg 12, 1000 Ljubljana (Slovenia) acts as the entity responsible for personal data. UL collects and processes personal data for the purpose of registering individuals and facilitating their participation in the "EUTOPIA

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Innovation Challenges for researchers” event. Only authorised personnel (individuals involved in organising the event) and UL employees have access to the data provided by applicants. This information will be retained for the duration of the event and subsequently, in accordance with applicable legal provisions. For more information regarding the processing of personal data at UL, please refer to the UL Privacy and cookie Policy, available at the following link: <https://www.uni-lj.si/en/privacy-and-cookie-policy>

Consent for processing your image through photo and video means

During the event the organiser will capture photos and videos for the purpose of promoting the event. The photos and videos will be shared with the other EUTOPIA Partners and published on their website as well as social media platforms. Personal data in the form of images will be collected and processed only by authorised individuals within UL, responsible for organising the event as well as the personnel and other authorised subjects of the EUTOPIA's Partners with whom the photos were shared with. In order to process images (photo and video), applicants' Consent is required. Photos will be retained for a maximum of 5 years from the time of collection. Granting consent for this processing of personal data (photo and video) is not a mandatory condition for applicants' participation in the event.

MORE INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

Responsible for the procedure

Dr. Mauro Cannone, Manager of Educational Programmes and Student Services Area, is responsible for the procedure, according to Law n. 241/1990.

For further information, please contact: eutopia@unive.it

Venice, 24 July 2024

The Rector

Prof. Tiziana Lippiello

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