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Call for Applications for the Assignment of a Visiting Scholar Position at the Department of Asian and North African Studies

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Description

The Marco Polo Centre for Global Europe-Asia Connections (MaP <https://www.unive.it/pag/36676/>).) at the Department of Asian and North African Studies (DSAAM) is pleased to announce a call for applications for a Visiting Scholar position.

We invite scholars from outside the university to join MaP for a minimum of 30 days. During their stay, visiting scholars are expected to develop a research project or funding application. The visiting scholar will benefit from the support of both departmental and central administrative offices, specializing in project planning and drafting. We strongly encourage projects that involve collaboration with one or more members of the DSAAM department. MaP promotes interdisciplinary and transregional research that examines the connections between Europe and Asia across different time periods and spaces. We support initiatives that explore religious, material, and cultural movements between Asia and Europe, approached from critical, multilingual, and historically grounded perspectives.

The MaP will provide a lump-sum contribution of €4,000.00, intended to cover travel, accommodation, and subsistence for the duration of the stay

The Visiting Scholar shall carry out activities independently, without predefined working hours, in accordance with the research program.

Who can apply

The call is open to early-career (PhD-awarded) and established researchers affiliated with academic or research institutions outside the host university. Applicants should be working in fields relevant to Asia-Europe connections, including but not limited to: history, literature, religion, linguistics, anthropology, and area studies.

Duration

The selection is open to scholars who intend to spend a period of at least 30 days, starting after February 1st, 2026, and to be concluded no later than December 31st, 2026, at the Department, for the purpose of developing a research project or funding application. The exact dates of the visit are to be proposed by the applicant and agreed upon with the Centre.

Deadline for submission of applications: December 3rd, 2025, at 12.00 noon (Italian time, CET)

How to apply:

Applications and supporting documents must be submitted via email to ricerca.dsaam@unive.it, with the subject line "Bando Visiting Centro MaP 2025/2026", by the deadline indicated in the call as published on the University's Official Online Notice Board

Candidates should submit:

- A scanned copy of a valid ID;
- A signed scientific (academic)-professional curriculum vitae, including a declaration of accuracy pursuant to D.P.R. No. 445/2000 and authorization for the processing of personal data in accordance with applicable laws (Legislative Decree No. 196/2003 and EU Regulation 2016/679);
- A Cover letter (max 1 page) outlining the proposed project, relevance to MaP, and the DSAAM faculty member(s) they intend to work with;
- Proposed dates of the visit. The exact dates of the visit are to be proposed by the applicant and agreed upon with the Centre;



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- Brief research proposal (max 1,000 words), including planned collaborative outcomes, if planned.

Applicants will receive a confirmation email by the end of the next business day following submission.
Please note that technical support requests will be accepted up to 24 hours before the deadline.

NB: the University bears no responsibility for incorrect or delayed communication of addresses, nor for any communication problem not depending on the University.

Evaluation criteria

Applications will be evaluated on a scale of up to 100 points, based on:

- relevance of the project to the MaP research areas;
- clear potential for collaboration with one or more members of the DSAAM department;
- concrete possibility of developing the project idea into a complete project proposal by the end of 2026;
- scientific-professional curriculum vitae.

Selection procedure

No minimum score is required for eligibility.

The final ranking will be published on the University's Official Online Notice Board by December 19th, 2025.

Information and contacts

Candidates may find additional details about the application process and the research project in the official call.

For further information please contact: ricerca.dsaam@unive.it