



**N.B. Please note that only the Italian version of the call is legally binding, the English version is provided for information only**

**Call for Doctoral positions at the Doctoral School in Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering – 29<sup>th</sup> Cycle**

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**THE RECTOR**

In accordance with Law no. 210 of 3<sup>rd</sup> of July 1998 and in particular, art. 4, as amended by article 19, section 1, of law no. 240 of 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2010;  
In accordance with the Ministerial Decree no. 224 of 30<sup>th</sup> of April 1999, regarding the general criteria to be followed by individual universities in the organization of doctoral schools;  
In accordance with the Decree by the Prime Minister of 9<sup>th</sup> of April 2001, and subsequent amendments on the general criteria for uniform treatment regarding the right to higher education;  
In accordance with the Charter of the University of Trento, issued with the Rector's Decree 167 of 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2012;  
In accordance with the University Regulations for Doctoral Schools, issued with the Rector's Decree no. 997 of 16<sup>th</sup> of December 2003 and subsequent amendments;  
In accordance with the proposal of the Department of Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering;  
Given the report of the internal Evaluation Committee of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January 2013 on the requirements for the Doctoral Programmes proposed;  
Given the decision made by the Academic Senate of the 29<sup>th</sup> of January 2013;

**DECREES**

Art. 1 - INSTITUTION

The University of Trento announces the 29th cycle of the PhD School in Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering, for the academic year 2013/14.

**Duration: three year**

**Head of the School: prof. Paolo Scardi – Phone 0039 0461 282670 – E-mail: dicamphd@unitn.it**

**Official language: English**

**Specialized curricula:**

- 1) Civil and Environmental
- 2) Mechanics, Materials, Chemistry and Energy
- 3) Modelling and Simulation
- 4) Architecture and Planning

**Scientific areas:**

AGR/05 Forestry and Silviculture  
FIS/06 Physics for Earth and Atmospheric Sciences  
ICAR/01 Hydraulics  
ICAR/02 Maritime Hydraulic Construction and Hydrology  
ICAR/03 Environmental and Health Engineering  
ICAR/07 Geotechnics  
ICAR/08 Construction Science  
ICAR/09 Construction Techniques  
ICAR/10 Technical Architecture  
ICAR/14 Architectural and Urban Composition  
ICAR/17 Design  
ICAR/18 History of Architecture  
ICAR/20 Urban Planning



ICAR/21 Urban Studies  
ING-IND/11 Environmental Technical Physics  
ING-IND/22 Science and Technology of Materials  
ING-IND/23 Applied Physical Chemistry  
ING-IND/24 Principles of Chemical Engineering  
MAT/07 Mathematical Physics  
MAT/08 Numerical Analysis

This hereby announces the selection for **18 doctoral positions, of which 12 positions** will be assigned grants financed by the University of Trento.

The number of grant-assisted positions may be increased by funds from universities, public research institutions or qualified private organizations made available after the publication of this announcement and before the beginning of the evaluation of candidates' qualifications. Increase in the number of available positions resulting from an increase of grants will be posted on the website <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/3045/announcement-selection>

#### Art. 2 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applications for the doctoral positions are accepted from candidates, regardless of gender, age and nationality, who have an Italian "*laurea magistrale*" in compliance with Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22.10.2004 and subsequent modifications, a university degree of the previously enforced Italian regulations, or an equivalent academic degree obtained abroad (Master's degree).

Applications are also accepted from students who expect to get their degree **by the date scheduled for the oral examination (7 November 2013)**.

These students will also have to submit, within their application:

- a certificate of enrollment with examinations taken and grades obtained (EU citizens may present a self-declaration of the certification according to Article 46 of the Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments, by using **Annex A**).

In such cases admission to selection is "conditional" and applicants must submit **by no later than 7 November, 2013 at 2.00 p.m. Italian time on penalty of exclusion** the degree certificate to the Doctoral School in Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering Fax: +39 0461 282672, email [dicamphd@unitn.it](mailto:dicamphd@unitn.it) (EU citizens may present a self-declaration of the possession of the degree according to Article 46 of the Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments, by using Annex A).

#### Art. 3 - FOREIGN ACADEMIC TITLES

Foreign Academic Degrees (Master's degree) must be comparable with the "Laurea Magistrale" in terms of duration, level and academic field. Based on this principle, the Doctoral School Committee will decide on their eligibility.

Applicants who have a foreign academic degree that has not been officially recognized as equivalent<sup>1</sup> to an Italian degree will be considered as requesting for equivalence in their application. In this case, it is necessary to submit the following documents:

- the degree certificate complete with examinations taken and corresponding grades (transcripts). EU citizens may do so by providing a self-declaration, according to Article 46 of the Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments, by using Annex A;
- the English translation of the degree certificate, if in a different language, with examinations taken and the corresponding marks, signed under the applicant's own responsibility. The purpose of the English translation is solely that of allowing the Doctoral School Committee to evaluate the applicant's eligibility for the selection process;
- any other documentation considered useful for evaluating the eligibility of the degree provided, in order to participate in the selection process (i.e. Diploma Supplement<sup>2</sup> or Dichiarazione di Valore in Loco<sup>3</sup>).

<sup>1</sup> Further information on the equivalence at webpages <http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=113>

<sup>2</sup> The Diploma Supplement accompanies a higher education diploma, providing an improvement in international "transparency" and a promotion of the academic and professional qualifications obtained (diploma, degrees, certificates, etc.). The Diploma Supplement must be issued by the same institution that issued the qualification. Further information at: [http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/ds\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/ds_en.htm)

<sup>3</sup> Further information about DV at <http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=176>



Admitted candidates holding an academic degree obtained outside Italy must submit to the Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione Polo Collina (email dottorati-collina@unitn.it; fax +39 0461 281699) by **no later than 31 January 2014**:

- The “Dichiarazione di Valore in Loco” (DV) along with their degree certificate with examinations taken and grades obtained, translated and authenticated by an Italian consulate, embassy or diplomatic representative in the country where the degree was issued. The Dichiarazione di Valore must state that the degree is valid, in the country where it was issued, and enables the candidate to enrol in an academic course equivalent to a PhD Programme;
- Or, if the above mentioned Dichiarazione di Valore is not ready within the deadline, a document proving that the request of release has already been submitted to the diplomatic representative; in such case the candidate must submit the Dichiarazione di Valore at the earliest convenience;
- Or, alternatively to the Dichiarazione di Valore, the Diploma Supplement in English, according to the model developed by the European Commission, by the European Council and by the UNESCO/CEPES.

**Lacking such documents the doctoral title cannot be granted.**

#### Art. 4 – THE DOCTORATE PROGRAMME

The PhD School in Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering is articulated into four specializations:

##### **1) Civil and Environmental**

##### **2) Mechanics, Materials, Chemistry and Energy**

##### **3) Modelling and Simulation**

##### **4) Architecture and Planning**

The specific research subjects proposed for the present 29<sup>th</sup> cycle will be published on the School website. These subjects can be taken as reference for the research project to be enclosed with the application (see art. 5).

#### Training programme

During the three-year course the training programme provides for many differentiated activities, with greater attendance of classes during the first and second year.

The Doctoral programme adds up to 180 credits, 150 recognized for the research activities and 30 for educational activities.

Research credits are awarded by completing the dissertation, whereas educational credits can be obtained by attending:

- courses of the Manifesto of Studies;
- courses taken at other institutions;
- schools, workshops and seminars organized by the Doctoral Programme or by other institutions.

Such activities must be certified, based on the attendance and achievement of specific educational objectives.

Overall, the objective of the School is to train a professional figure with a comprehensive background in engineering applicable to research and technology, allowing him/her to work comfortably and autonomously in research centres and in industry.

One of the aims of the Doctoral Programme is to allow the students to achieve a complete maturity and autonomy in planning, programming, developing and reporting their research activity.

The doctoral title can be conferred to students who have produced relevant and original scientific results pointed up in their dissertation.

For any further information please see the Executive Regulations and the Manifesto of studies of the School.

#### Art. 5 – APPLICATION

Applying for the PhD programme requires an online application process, and involves two stages:



- 1) Registering on the University's website at <http://www.unitn.it/en/account> by entering the information requested. If the registration has been correctly submitted, within a maximum of 2 business days the applicants will receive a username and password by email, which will be required in order to use the UNITN's online services;
- 2) Filling out the application<sup>4</sup>, complete with the requested attachments in electronic format, available at <http://www.unitn.it/en/apply/dott>.

**The application must be completed and submitted by 4:00 p.m. Italian time of 30 September 2013. Administration highly recommends that candidates make sure they have received the notification email confirming the definitive closure of the application. Lacking the notification email, the application is not considered valid.**

Candidates are asked not to wait until the last days before the deadline for the submission of their application; the University assumes no liability for any malfunctions due to technical problems, overloading of the communication lines and application systems or for the loss of documents due to incorrectly written addresses by the candidate or late notification of change of address indicated in the application, nor for any errors attributable to acts of third parties, to unforeseeable circumstances or force majeure.

The application is to be considered by law a self-declaration of the personal data and qualifications declared. Incomplete and irregular applications, and applications not submitted using the online procedure specified in this article, will not be considered valid.

All applicants are admitted for 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 No. 445 of the 28.12.2000. The PhD School has the right to exclude from this call, for justified reasons, applicants who have failed to fulfill the requirements necessary for this call.

According to Italian Law No. 104/92, Article 20 and to Italian Law No. 68/99, Article 16 (1), applicants with special needs or affected by learning disabilities are expected to indicate explicitly in their application whether they require special assistance or extra time during the interview. Under Legislative Decree 196/03, all information will be kept confidential.

**The Commission will consider only documents in ENGLISH or ITALIAN language.**

Candidates may apply for one of the specific topics activated by the School but the choice will be not considered binding.

**MANDATORY ATTACHMENTS** (should one or more compulsory annexes lack, this shall result in the exclusion of the candidate from the selection):

1. **Identity document:** a **photocopy of the applicant's ID** (for EU citizens only) or **passport**, specifically the pages showing the photo, personal data, the ID number, place and date the document was released. No other form of identification will be accepted;

2. **Degree certificate:**

- **Applicants with an Italian degree:**

a self-declaration (by using Annex A), according to Article 46 of the Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments, stating the possession of a degree (see Article 2 of this Announcement), conferral date, issuing University, final grade, examinations taken and grades obtained;

- **Applicants with a foreign qualification**

copy of the degree certificate with examinations taken and grades obtained or equivalent certification, stated in Article 3 of this Announcement. If the qualification has not been officially recognized as equivalent<sup>5</sup> to an Italian degree, the applicant must also submit a translation into English (if in a different language other than Italian or English), of the degree certificate accompanied by a list of the examinations taken and grades obtained. Such translation must be undersigned by the applicant, under his/her own responsibility in order to enable the Doctoral School Committee to declare the degree's equivalence for the sole purpose of being admitted to this Selection. In order to facilitate the evaluation of the equivalence, it is highly recommended

<sup>4</sup> The candidate has the option of filling out the application in either Italian or English.

<sup>5</sup> For details regarding the equivalence visit <http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=134>



that students with foreign qualifications submit a Diploma Supplement<sup>6</sup> or the Dichiarazione di Valore in Loco, if available;

- **Applicants who have not obtained their degree/equivalent foreign qualification yet and who are therefore “conditionally” admitted to the selection:**

the enrollment certificate with examinations taken and grades obtained (EU citizens may submit a self-declaration stating the possession of the degree according to Article 46 of the Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments **by using Annex A**);

3. **Summary** (in English for foreign candidates) of the degree dissertation (max 2 pages).

4. **Curriculum vitae et studiorum** preferably using the Europass template: <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/europass/home/vernav/Europass+Documents/Europass+CV.csp>.

5. **Description of the research proposal (max 3 pages)**; the topic of the project shall belong to one of the sectors of interest of the School; the project goes according to the format of the file available on the online application, a list of specific research topics proposed by the School, which can eventually be used as a reference, will be available on the website <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/3045/announcement-selection>

6. The **“Signed acceptance document” in pdf format** which is automatically generated by the online application: this document must be printed, signed and then uploaded in the specific section “Upload of the Signed acceptance document” of the online application.

#### OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS:

- list (if any) of the scientific publications;
- certificates (if any) proving the knowledge of foreign languages;
- any other documents useful to demonstrate the candidates’ skills (awards, scholarships, post-graduation study and research activities, etc.);
- up to **two** reference letters<sup>7</sup> in English or in Italian. The letters must be addressed to Prof. Paolo Scardi, Head of the Doctoral School in Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering – University of Trento.

When the referee section of the Application is closed, the system will automatically send a notice email, by 24 hours, to the referees. The email message will contain instructions and the transmission modalities.

Candidates are recommended to verify with their referees that the reference letters are sent **by 10 October 2013**.

If, subsequent to the submission of the online application, the applicant wishes to add further information, the missing documents must be sent by email to [ateneo@unitn.it](mailto:ateneo@unitn.it) at the University’s offices **by not later than 30 September 2013**. The applicant must **specify in the subject**: “Application ID, candidate’s Family name and Name, Doctoral School in Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering –Cycle 29th- Integrazione domanda”. Please note that further documentation sent by other means will not be accepted.

#### Art. 6 – SELECTION

The selection process is designed to assess the candidate’s knowledge and aptitude towards scientific research on the basis of the assessment of qualifications and an oral examination.

Documents which can be evaluated by the Admissions Committee for the assessment of qualifications are:

- degree certificate and previous university curriculum of the candidate;
- any other document useful to evaluate the applicant’s aptitude for scientific research (research proposal, thesis abstract, scientific publications, prizes, grants, study and research activities, etc.).

The oral examination can be taken in Italian or English. It will evaluate the skills, the aptitude and the motivation of the candidates.

Applicants must show a document for identification in order to be admitted to the examination.

The Admissions Committee can assign each candidate a total score of 100 as follows:

- 50 for the assessment of qualifications;

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<sup>7</sup> The letters of reference are strongly recommended. However, the omission of these letters will not exclude the candidate from the selection procedure.



- 50 for the oral examination.

Applicants obtaining a minimum score of 30/50 points in the assessment of qualifications will be admitted to the oral examination.

The oral examination is successfully passed with a minimum 30/50 point score. During the oral examination will be verified the knowledge of the English language.

After the assessment of qualifications, the list of the shortlisted candidates will be posted at: <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/3045/announcement-selection>

Applicants who want to compete for any additional grant-assisted positions concerning a specific research subject, are required to ask the Admissions Committee for it during the candidate's identification, which takes place before the oral examination. During the interview the specific eligibility to this subject will be assessed.

At the end of all interviews the Committee will draw up a general final ranking according to the grades obtained by the candidates, those who have reached a total minimum score of 60/100 (assessment of qualifications and oral examination) will be short listed.

The assessment of qualifications and the oral examinations will take place at the Department of Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering, Via Mesiano, 77 – 38123 TRENTO according to the following schedule:

- assessment of qualifications: starting on **the 14<sup>th</sup> of October 2013**;
- oral exam: starting on **the 7<sup>th</sup> of November 2013**.

Candidates living abroad who wish to be interviewed in the country where they are currently living, can arrange a videoconference, subject to approval by the Head of the School. In this case they have to complete the online section "Offsite examination" indicating the reason for such request (work, study, permanent residency, etc.), a Skype account and the address and phone number of a university or diplomatic representation as well as the name of a third person who will confirm the candidate's identity at the beginning of the examination.

The Committee will guarantee that all the regularity requirements are fulfilled during the exam (verifying the candidate's identity and the accuracy of the examination).

The oral examination is taken by videoconference; the candidate is required to sign an IP address and/or Id for Skype or other online communication software in order to be connected.

The School is not responsible for problems of inadequate connections that make it impossible to conclude the interview.

The Head of the School will authorize the above mentioned procedure after a technical check, which will take place on the **21-23 October 2013**; in these days the interested candidates will be contacted in order to ensure the proper functioning. In order to deal with the above mentioned technical check interested candidates are invited to check their email boxes in the period **17-23 October 2013**.

#### Art. 7 – ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Upon hearing the PhD Committee, the Rector appoints the Admissions Committee. It consists of three members chosen among Italian and foreign tenured professors and researchers, who are experts in the scientific areas of the Doctoral School. The Committee may also include two experts, who may be foreign, from public and private national and international research centres. The names of the members of the Admissions Committee will be announced at page <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/3045/announcement-selection> after the deadline for applications will be expired.

Having held the qualifications evaluation and the oral examination, the Admissions Committee will draw up a merit-based ranking according to the scores obtained by the applicants.

The final ranking of the candidates will be posted only on the website: <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/3045/announcement-selection>

**Through publication of such list, notification concerning the proceedings is considered to be fulfilled.**

Applicants admitted to the School will not receive personal communication of their results.

#### Art. 8 – ADMISSION TO THE DOCTORAL SCHOOL



Applicants will be admitted to the Doctoral School according to their place on the final ranking until all available places have been filled.

In case of equally ranked candidates, the student's economic situation will be evaluated for the purpose of assigning a scholarship, in accordance with the D.P.C.M. of 9 April 2001 as amended. For places without a scholarship, the younger candidate shall be given priority.

If a successful applicant withdraws before the beginning of the course (1 January 2014), the next applicant on the ranking will be offered the place. The new candidate must forward his/her enrolment application within 8 days starting the day after the official communication by the Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione – Polo Collina.

If a successful applicant withdraws or is excluded during the first three months of the first year of the course, the Doctoral School Committee may decide to fill the vacant place with the next available candidate on the ranking.

According to art.19, paragraph 3 of the University Rules for Doctoral Schools and according to previous Doctoral School Committee resolutions, the Admissions Committee may admit to the School a higher number, not exceeding 20% of the total places, of candidates who are eligible in the general ranking, if they belong to the following categories:

- applicants from non-EU countries who have been awarded any kind of scholarship<sup>8</sup> at the moment of the application for the admission to the Doctoral School (e.g. assigned by Ministry of Foreign Affairs, or by Government of home country or by International Organizations);
- applicants from a country with a specific intergovernmental agreement with Italy, on the basis of a bilateral agreement between the University of Trento and the foreign university (with no obligatory financial burden for the University of Trento).

#### Art. 9 – HOW TO ENROL

Eligible applicants who are admitted to the School should forward their enrolment application on paper with attached stamp duty to:

**Università degli Studi di Trento**

**Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione - Polo Collina**

**Via Sommarive, 14 – 38123 Povo - Trento (ITALIA)**

**Email [dottorati-collina@unitn.it](mailto:dottorati-collina@unitn.it) – fax +39-0461-281699**

**within 8 days** after the date of the publication of the final ranking at the page <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/3045/announcement-selection>

If applicable, the payment receipt of the provincial tax for the right to university study (TDS) must be attached to the application.

In the application form (available at the website: <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/2696/enrolment-and-extension>) candidates should:

- Ask/ not ask to be awarded a scholarship (successful applicants who have not been awarded a scholarship should also fill out this section, in case an applicant with scholarship should withdraw);
- State whether they have already received another grant from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- State whether they have already been awarded an Italian scholarship for an Italian doctoral programme;
- Declare that they are not already enrolled and undertake not to enrol in any other programme for a diploma degree, an Italian “Scuola di Specializzazione”, a Ph.D., or Masters degree of the I or the II level, for the duration of this Doctoral Program. Or, alternatively, commit to stop attending such a school before the start of the Doctoral Program;
- State whether they are employed by the Italian public sector;
- Commit to obtain authorization from the PhD Committee before taking up any form of employment;
- Commit to promptly inform the University of any changes of their residence or address.

Admitted candidates who did not obtain an academic degree in Italy **must** also submit to the Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione-Polo Collina (email [dottorati-collina@unitn.it](mailto:dottorati-collina@unitn.it) – fax +39-0461-281699) **by not later than 31 January 2014**:

- The “Dichiarazione di Valore in Loco” along with their degree certificate with exams taken and grades obtained, translated and authenticated by an Italian consulate, embassy or diplomatic

<sup>8</sup> The duration of the grant should cover at least a part of the three-year period of the Doctoral Programme.



representative in the country where the degree was issued. The Dichiarazione di Valore must state that the degree is valid, in the country where it was issued, and enables the candidate to enrol in an academic course equivalent to a PhD Program;

- Or, if the above mentioned Dichiarazione di Valore is not ready within the deadline, a document proving that the request of release has been already submitted to the diplomatic representative; in such case the candidate must submit the Dichiarazione di Valore at the earliest convenience;
- Or, alternatively to the Dichiarazione di Valore, the Diploma Supplement in English, according to the model developed by the European Commission, by the European Council and by the UNESCO/CEPES.

Eligible applicants admitted to the School who do not send their application within 8 days from the day after the online publication date of the ranking at <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/3045/announcement-selection> lose the right to enrol and their corresponding position will be offered to the next candidate on the list.

#### Art. 10 – SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are assigned based on the ranking of applicants drawn up by the Admissions Committee, on request of the applicant.

The candidate who is awarded the scholarship related to a specific topic is required to accept it because grants non related to a topic are considered as a lower preference.

Should the candidate decline the scholarship, it will be offered to the next candidate on the ranking suitable for it. The reserved scholarships will not be assigned in case no one of the candidates is suitable for them.

The minimum gross amount of the scholarship is Euro 13,638.47 per year<sup>9</sup>. Scholarships are normally paid bi-monthly and in advance, with the exception of undue payments in case the student is expelled or suspended.

**Doctoral scholarships cannot be combined with other scholarships**, except for those awarded by national or foreign scientific institutes deemed appropriate for the research activities carried out by the doctoral student.

The scholarship will be increased by 50% for research periods spent abroad that are authorized by the Head of the School or by the PhD Committee.

Scholarships are awarded for the entire duration of the programme following confirmation by the Doctoral School Committee of the results achieved every year by the doctoral students.

A doctoral student's failure to attend the program for over 30 days will lead to grant suspension.

Should the candidate leave the doctoral School, he/she will lose the right to get the unpaid part of the scholarship.

Those who have already been awarded an Italian PhD scholarship, cannot be granted another one.

#### Art. 11 – DOCTORAL STUDENTS RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Doctoral students must attend the doctorate programme and carry out research and studies on a full-time basis according to the schedules and the regulations laid out by the Doctoral School Committee, as specified in art. 4 of the present announcement.

Doctoral students involved in a "co-tutelle"<sup>10</sup> project also have the obligation of following the study and research plan according to the agreement with the foreign university.

A motivated decision of the Doctoral School Committee may decide upon the exclusion from the School and consequent loss of the scholarship in the following cases:

- a) negative evaluation of the Doctoral School Committee about the access on the following year. To this end the Doctoral School Committee will verify the obtained results as foreseen in the programme of the attended year, as well as the continuity and industriousness of the doctoral student in the performed research activity;
- b) full-time contracts as well as subordinate work and any occupation done without authorization from the Doctoral School Committee;
- c) unjustified and prolonged absences.

<sup>9</sup> At the date of publication of the present call, Italian law (art. 2, §26 of Law 335/95 and subsequent modifications) states that scholarships are subject to pension fund contributions (INPS) starting from 1/01/2013, of 20% or 27.72%, of which 1/3 will be charged to the candidate.

<sup>10</sup> For more information about co-tutelle thesis and about current agreements with foreign universities visit <http://www.unitn.it/en/outgoing/3025/doctoral-thesis-co-tutelle>.



Grants financed by external bodies where specific research is to be carried out, limit the grant holders to carry out that specific work for the entire duration of the PhD Programme.

For the duration of the doctorate programme, students are insured by the University against accidents and damage to third parties that occur solely in circumstances pertaining to the Doctoral program.

According to art.2 first paragraph of Law no. 476 13 August 1984 and further modifications, Italian public sector employees admitted to the Doctoral School may request for the duration of the programme a leave of absence to study without salary and may apply for a study scholarship. In the case that the employee is admitted to the Doctoral course and declines the scholarship or is not awarded any scholarship, he/she may continue to receive salary, social security and pension from the public administration. Should the employee choose to end the work relationship during the two years following conferral of the Doctoral title, he/she is obliged to return all payments received for the duration of the Doctoral course.

On enrolment PhD students are required to sign the Honour Code of the School as a commitment to comply with the rules of conduct and ethics and morals of the School.

#### Art. 12 - INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS OF RESEARCH FINDINGS AND PUBLICATIONS

Without prejudice to the Italian legislation on copyright (Legislative Decree no. 633/1941 and subsequent modifications) the usage of results derived from research conducted by doctoral students funded by external bodies may be subject to limitations due to specific financing agreements which eligible applicants will be made aware of at the time of receiving the scholarship.

#### Art. 13 – DOCTORAL TITLE CONFERRAL

The doctoral title, Ph.D., conferred by the Rector, is granted when students pass the final examination which takes place at the end of the doctorate programme.

Upon advice given by the Doctoral School Committee, the Examination Committee is nominated by the Rector, in accordance with the University Rules for Doctoral Schools.

The issuing of the degree certificate is conditional upon the candidate provides the University archives with copies of the final dissertation. The University archives will ensure public accessibility and the proper conservation of the printed thesis. The University will provide the National Libraries in Rome and Florence with a copy of the dissertation, as required by Italian law.

#### Art. 14 – PERSONAL DATA

The University of Trento, in accordance with Legislative Decree 196/03 “Italian Personal Data Protection Code”, may use applicants’ personal data only for the purpose of selection procedures and for institutional reasons.

In observance of the above-mentioned legislative decree, participation in the selection requires the applicant to give the University of Trento permission to publish his/her personal data concerning the results of the selection procedure on the University website.

Data are treated by the University of Trento, via Belenzani, 12 – 38122 Trento.

#### Art. 15 - REFERRAL RULE

For matters not explicitly mentioned in the present announcement, please refer to art. 4 of Law no. 210 of 3.07.1998 as amended by Article 19, paragraph 1, of the Law of 30.12.2010, n. 240, to Ministerial Decree no. 224 of 30.04.1999 and to the University Regulations for Doctoral Schools issued with the Rector's Decree no. 937 of 16.12.2003 and amended with the Rector's Decree no. 359 of 19.04.2006 subject to the entry into force of any amendments to the regulations that effect, in turn, such University Regulations.

The Rector  
Prof. Daria de Pretis

ANNEX A  
Declaration substituting  
**DEGREE CERTIFICATE**

(Article 46 - letters l, m, n - D.P.R. 28 December 2000, No. 445)

The undersigned \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth (*city+country*) \_\_\_\_\_ date of birth , \_\_\_\_\_

Official postal address (*street, number, zip code, city, country*) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Mob. \_\_\_\_\_ e – mail \_\_\_\_\_

aware of the penal sanctions pursuant to Article 76 of the Italian Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28.12.2000 for falsifying documents and making mendacious declarations

## DECLARES

**A)** To have graduated (click the corresponding box):

Type of degree       MA/MSc  
                                  BA (4 years)  
                                  BSc (4 years)

Degree title: \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ University of \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

with mark \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_

**B)** TO HAVE NOT YET GRADUATED and to be aware that admission to the Doctoral School is conditional upon submitting the degree certificates by the scheduled date in the announcement.

Graduating in: \_\_\_\_\_

University of: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

TO HAVE PASSED THE FOLLOWING EXAMS:

Course Title	Mark/Out of	Date

