

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Admission to the Doctoral Programme in

Agrifood and Environmental Sciences

38th cycle

ACADEMIC YEAR 2022/2023

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N.B. Please note that only the Italian version of the present call issued with Rector's Decree no. 659 of 14.07.2022 is legally binding; the English version is provided for information only

Art. 1 – SUBJECT OF THE CALL

The University of Trento opens the call for applications for the admission to the 38th Cycle (Academic Year 2022/2023) of the Doctoral Programme in “Agrifood and Environmental Sciences” (in collaboration with Fondazione Edmund Mach - FEM) as follows:

Positions: no. 10

Scholarships: no. 8 (of which 6 on reserved topics)

Positions without scholarship: no. 2

Positions are divided as follows:

Financer	No.	Possible reserved topic
University of Trento	2	
University of Trento - CIBIO	1	A - Investigating oral microbiota signatures related to sensory responsiveness to food: a contribution to understanding food preferences and to promoting EATING habits related to WELLbeing and health (EATWELL)
University of Trento - DICAM	1	B - Numerical modelling of atmospheric transport processes of particulate matter along mountain slopes
Fondazione Edmund Mach	1	C - Development of green and real time analytical solutions for the monitoring of bioprocesses of agroindustrial relevance
Fondazione Edmund Mach	1	D - Compound Specific Isotope Analysis (CSI Analysis)
Fondazione Edmund Mach	1	E - Characterization of the mechanisms of action of new sustainable fungicide
Eurac ¹	1	F - Assimilation of radar data for improving snowmelt modelling in alpine regions (“SnowTinel”)
Position without scholarship	2	
Position	10	

The scholarships dedicated to specific research topics may be assigned only to those applicants who specifically apply for them. This kind of positions are actually related to a specific research topic, for which specific skills are required. During the oral examination the specific eligibility of the applicants will be evaluated. Applicants interested in one or more reserved positions must therefore carefully check on the [selection website](#) the topic and the required skills, and if the scholarships entail the acceptance of confidentiality commitment and/or transfer of intellectual property rights (see page [“Reserved topic scholarships”](#)).

The positions with scholarships or other financial support may be increased after the publication of this call till the assessment of qualifications. All the new positions available will be posted solely on the [selection website](#).

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 38th Cycle in additional positions.

Deadline for application: August 25th, 2022, hrs. 4.00 PM (Italian time, GMT +2)

Duration: Three years

¹Verify in the file of reserved topic of scholarship published on the call webpage if this scholarship entails specific additional PhD student's obligations.

Start of the Academic Year: November 1st, 2022

Official language: English

[Selection website](#)

[Doctoral Programme website](#) (information on the Programme, admission to subsequent years and to the final examination)

[Rights and duties of doctoral students](#)

[Info about doctoral scholarships](#)

[Scientific areas](#) (with reference to the Italian Ministerial classification)

AGR/05 Forestry and Silviculture
AGR/07 Agrarian Genetics
AGR/09 Agricultural Mechanics
AGR/11 General and Applied Entomology
AGR/12 Plant Pathology
AGR/15 Food Sciences
BIO/03 Environmental and Applied Botany
BIO/04 Vegetal Physiology
BIO/07 Ecology
CHIM/01 Analytical Chemistry
CHIM/10 Food Chemistry
FIS/06 Physics for Earth and Atmospheric Sciences
GEO/04 Physical Geography and Geomorphology
ICAR/01 Hydraulics
ICAR/02 Maritime Hydraulic Construction and Hydrology
ICAR/03 Environmental and Health Engineering
ING-IND/24 Principles of Chemical Engineering
IUS/03 Agrarian Law
SPS/07 General Sociology
SPS/11 Sociology of Political Phenomena
VET/06 Parasitology and Parasitic Animal Diseases

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 suitable (art. 2), and any notices related to the call will be published only on the [call 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 Doctorate Office S&T (phd.office-st@unitn.it).

Art. 2 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Applications for doctoral positions are accepted from applicants, regardless of gender, age and 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 e Musicale);
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 (duration and level) to

the Italian degree, recognized as eligible² by the Selection Committee for the sole purpose of accessing this specific Doctoral Programme³.

2. Applications are also accepted from students expected to obtain the necessary degree **by October 31st, 2022**. 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 Doctorate Office S&T (via email to: phd.office-st@unitn.it) **by November 8th, 2022, on penalty of exclusion**, the certificate awarded or a self-declaration (using the [Declaration substituting Degree Certificate](#) also available on the call website).
3. Applicants with a foreign qualification that has not been officially recognised as **equivalent⁴** 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 application⁵ must be **completed and submitted by hrs. 04.00 p.m. Italian time of August 25th, 2022, exclusively through the online system: [Doctoral Programmes Applications](#)**
Authentication to the registration procedure is possible through:
 - **SPID⁶**; to access the registration procedure we advise to use 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. To request a SPID identity (useful to access different online services of the Italian Public Administration) it is mandatory to hold an Italian ID and a tax code: please visit the webpage: [How to activate the SPID identity](#);
 - **University of Trento account**: for those who do not have SPID identity but already 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). Please see here, if you **forgot your password**; to have more information on UniTrento [username and password](#);
 - **a UniTrento "guest" temporary account**: those who do not have a SPID identity 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. Procedure at: [Account registration info](#)⁷.
2. To finalize the application a non-refundable **application fee of € 15** (fifteen) is to be paid by **PagoPA payment system⁸** 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 email notification has been received. There will be no liability with the University in the event that an application is not submitted correctly.
4. When filling in the online application, candidates may choose **no more than no. 3 reserved scholarships** among the available ones, and you must specify the order of preference when filling in the online application. The order of preference is not binding for the committee but the candidates' choice to compete also for the reserved scholarships implies a preference on their part for the allocation of that specific scholarship with respect to the others.

Regarding additional reserved scholarships added after the publication of this Call, applicants will be required to express their interest for them according to the instructions given at the selection call web page. During the interview, applicant eligibility for the additional reserved scholarship/s will be specifically evaluated.

Important! The candidate'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.

² The eligibility of foreign academic degrees is assessed by the Selection Committee, following the rules in force or the international treaties or recognition of academic qualifications.

³ Details at: <http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/il-sistema-italiano-di-istruzione-superiore/qualifiche-del-sistema-universitario.aspx>.

⁴ For further information see at <http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/procedure-di-riconoscimento-dei-titoli/procedure-di-riconoscimento-accademico-dei-titoli.aspx>

⁵ The applicant can choose either Italian or English to fill in the application online.

⁶ For more info visit the website: <https://www.spid.gov.it/en/what-is-spid/>

⁷ Applicants are advised to register well in advance of the deadline. The issue of credentials (username and password) may require up to three working days. Those who already hold a UniTrento account but forgot the password can request a new one at: <https://icts.unitn.it/en/password>

⁸ Further information about PagoPA service at: <https://www.unitn.it/en/phd-pagopa>

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. **Academic degree for admission to the Doctoral Programme:**

a. **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, declaring the possession of a degree (art. 2 of this Call), "*Classe di Laurea*", issuing University, award date and final grade / possible award date, examinations taken, dates of successful passing, grades and credits obtained (by using the form "[Declaration substituting Degree Certificate](#)"); graduates from the University of Trento may only declare the place and the date of award / foreseen date of award as the other information can be collected ex officio;

b. **foreign qualification⁹:**

- **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;
- D. **summary of the Master's degree thesis** written in 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 describing the applicant's motivations for pursuing the PhD programme in Agrifood and Environmental Sciences at the University of Trento (max 3,000 characters spaces included);
- 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).

⁹ It is in the interest of the applicant to provide all information relevant for the assessment, especially if the country where the qualification was obtained has an education system not comparable to the Italian one.

G. **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.

6. OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS:

A. Any additional qualifications, such as international examinations or language certification (TOEFL, GRE or equivalent);

B. 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);

C. copy of the first-level academic degree (Bachelor's degree) and transcript;

D. 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 August 30th, 2022**.

E. **Applicants with a foreign qualification may attach:**

- **academic diploma of the Master's degree** (Master of Science/Arts or equivalent), in its original language and
- **Diploma Supplement (DS)**¹⁰ drafted according to the form developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO / CEPES;

alternatively

- **Declaration of value**¹¹ which certifies that the educational qualification is valid in the country of issuance for admission to a Doctoral programme (third level of higher education according to the Bologna Process - European Higher Education Area; EQF level 8);

alternatively

- **Statement of comparability of foreign university qualification**¹² 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 equivalent¹³ to a second cycle Italian qualification **by the competent academic bodies of Italian universities**, the equivalence provision (Rectoral Decree) must be attached.

- The University will accept additional documents to be included in the application submitted if sent by email to ateneo@unitn.it (Subject: "Application ID number- applicant's Surname and Name – Doctoral Programme in Agrifood and Environmental Sciences – 38th cycle - Supplement to application") **by August 25th, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.** Italian time. Additional documents submitted by other means will be disregarded.
- 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.
- 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.**
- 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 special assistance or extra time during the examinations, in accordance with their disability. In this case personal data will be processed in compliance with the current law as indicated in the GDPR Privacy notice.

¹⁰ 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://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/il-sistema-italiano-di-istruzione-superiore/diploma-supplement.aspx> and http://ec.europa.eu/education/resources/diploma-supplement_en.

¹¹ Further information about DoV and equivalence: <http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/procedure-di-riconoscimento-dei-titoli/glossario.aspx>.

¹² 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://international.unitn.it/incoming/diploma-verification>.

¹³ Details at <http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/procedure-di-riconoscimento-dei-titoli/procedure-di-riconoscimento-accademico-dei-titoli.aspx>.

Art. 4 – EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

1. The evaluation is made by a Selection Committee appointed by the Rector upon advice from the Doctoral Committee, in accordance with the University Regulations for Doctoral Programmes. 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: 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.

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.

5. The **assessment of qualifications** will start from **August 29th, 2022**. The interviews will be held in the period **September 8th-9th (and September 12, 2022, if necessary)**.
6. The applicants can choose¹⁴ 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 posted on the call for [selection web site](#) at least 20 days in advance: possible changes will be solely posted on the selection web page.

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

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 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

¹⁴ The choice has to be made in the relevant section while applying online

amendments and integrations. As for positions without scholarship, the younger of the two applicants will be selected.

3. Admitted applicants must enroll following the instructions at [Enrolment 1, 2, 3 year](#):
 - **within 8 days** starting from the day following the publication of the final ranking lists on the selection website 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 website 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 Doctorate Office S&T (sending them in advance by email: phd.office-st@unitn.it) **by November 8, 2022**:

- *academic diploma of the Master's degree* (Master of Science/Arts or equivalent) in the original or certified copy, *together with the academic transcript of records*, possible official translations¹⁵, legalized or with an apostille affixed¹⁶ (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*¹⁷ 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*¹⁸ issued by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA) that contains all the information necessary for the assessment of the qualification.

In case the Diploma Supplement, or the Declaration of Value, or the Statement of comparability are not available by November 8th, 2022, 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 8th, 2022 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.
4. Note that the enrolment on the Doctoral Programme must include the payment of stamp duty and the payment of the "provincial tax for the right to higher education" - TDS¹⁹ (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).
 5. Admitted applicants who do not enroll by the above-mentioned deadlines will lose their right to enter the Doctoral Programme, and their places will be offered to the next applicants on the ranking.
 6. If a successful applicant withdraws **before the beginning of the Doctoral Programme** (November 1, 2022), 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 enroll on the Doctoral Programme **within 4 days** starting from the day after the day on which the communication from the Doctorate Office S&T is sent.
 7. If a successful applicant withdraws or is excluded after the beginning of the Doctoral Programme and **during the first three months of the first year**, the Doctoral Committee may decide to fill the vacancy with the next applicant on the ranking, considering the acquired eligibility for reserved scholarships.

At the end of the enrolment period, doctoral students must communicate via e-mail (phd.aes@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 28 October, 2022. In the case of a lack of communication and failure to arrive in Trento by the abovementioned deadline Doctoral students will be considered excluded from the Doctoral Programme.

Art. 7 – SUPERNUMERARY POSITIONS

1. According to art. 18, par. 3 of the University Regulations for Doctoral Programmes, and up to the number of positions indicated in

¹⁵ See: <https://www.esteri.it/it/servizi-consolari-e-visti/italiani-all-estero/traduzione-e-legalizzazione-documenti/>

¹⁶ See: <https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studying/info-13.html>.

¹⁷ 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.

¹⁸ 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://international.unitn.it/incoming/diploma-verification>.

¹⁹ Note that the total amount of the TDS + stamp duty must be paid only by credit card following the instructions. Page <https://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/1931/education-tax-tds-and-stamp-duty> provides information on exemption from the TDS.

art. 1 (no more than 2), supernumerary applicants may be admitted without a scholarship paid by the University, after passing the selection procedure, if they fall within one of the following categories:

- a) shortlisted foreign applicants who are granted scholarships by other entities;
 - b) shortlisted applicants from countries with which a specific inter-governmental agreement has been signed, and with which an ad-hoc agreement with the University is then made, without the University of Trento being required to assume any financial obligations;
 - c) research fellows (*Assegnisti di ricerca*) ex art. 22 of the Italian law 240/2010 whose contract lasts for a minimum of 24 months as from the starting date of the Programme and researching a subject relevant to the Doctoral Programme; such relevance has to be determined by the Doctoral Programme Committee;
 - d) Italian civil servants or under Italian public law regime. Admission is subject to placement on leave under Art. 2 of the Law of 13.08.1984 no. 476 and subsequent amendments.
2. Short-listed applicants who wish to assert their requirements for supernumerary positions shall request for such admission by submitting appropriate documentation proving their status via e-mail to phd.office-st@unitn.it, **within 8 days** from the next day of the publication of ranking lists. Supernumerary admission is determined by the number of supernumerary positions listed in art. 1 following the order in the ranking.
 3. After verification of the documents referred to in paragraph 2 of this article, applicants admitted to supernumerary positions will receive an email notification from the Doctorate Office S&T (phd.office-st@unitn.it) and must deliver their acceptance within the deadline specified in the email text itself.
 4. Any applicant selected by special committees for admission related to specific international mobility programmes in which the University of Trento participates, may also be admitted to positions additional with respect to the quota specified at point 1 of this article.

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

1. Without prejudice to the Italian legislation on copyright (Legislative Decree no. 633/1941 and subsequent amendments), intellectual and industrial property rights on the results eventually achieved by the student, including, but not limited to, software, patentable industrial inventions, know-how, models, data and data collection, are regulated in accordance with applicable laws and University regulations (in particular, the Regulations on Intellectual Property Rights issued with Rectoral Decree no. 539 of 22/07/2020 and subsequent amendments) and, if necessary, according to the provisions in the individual agreements with universities, companies or other institutions involved²⁰.
2. 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 - PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

1. Pursuant to art. 13 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation), applicants, acting as data subjects, are advised that the University will process their personal data in the public interest only for purposes related to the present Doctoral selection procedure and to comply with law obligations.
2. The data controller is the University of Trento, via Calepina 14, 38122 Trento (Italy), email: ateneo@pec.unitn.it; ateneo@unitn.it. The data subjects may contact the Data Protection Officer (DPO or RPD) writing to the email address: rp@unitn.it.
3. Personal data are processed wholly or partly in paper forms and/or by automated means by the controller's personnel, who is authorized to data treatment according to their tasks and in compliance with the principles of accuracy, storage limitation, integrity, confidentiality, accountability.
4. At any time, the data subjects can ask the controller to exercise their rights in accordance with art. 15 and seq. of GDPR, and in particular the right of access to their personal data, right to rectification, right to erasure ('right to be forgotten'), right to restriction of processing and the right to object to processing. This is without prejudice to the right to lodge a complaint with the Supervisory Authority.
5. The complete GDPR Privacy note is available at: [Privacy and data protection](#).

Art. 10 - REFERRAL RULES

1. 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 14.12.2022 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 [Internal Regulations in force of the Doctoral Programmes](#), and to the other relevant provisions contained in the current legislation.

²⁰ See: <https://www.unitn.it/en/ricerca/1767/protection-and-valorisation-of-intellectual-property>

2. This call, accompanied by its translation into English, is published on the University website, on the website of the Italian Ministry of Education and on Euraxess. Any changes or additions to the call will be made available on the selection website specified in art. 1.

On behalf of
The Rector
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