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PhD - 39th Cycle Academic Year 2023-2024
CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The RECTOR

- Considering** the Statute of Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma;
- Considering** Italian Law No. 210 of 03/07/1998, published in the Official Gazette of the Italian Republic No. 155 on 06/07/1998, as amended;
- Considering** Italian Law No. 240 of 30/12/2010, containing regulations regarding the organization of universities, academic staff and recruitment, as well as the mandate to the Government to promote the quality and efficiency of the university system;
- Considering** Italian Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 226 of 14/12/2021, published in the Official Gazette of the Italian Republic No. 308 of 29/12/2021, entitled "Regulation containing procedures for the accreditation of doctoral centres and courses and criteria for the establishment of doctoral courses by accredited bodies";
- Considering** Italian Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 247 of 23/02/2022, published in the Official Gazette of the Italian Republic No. 80 of 5/04/2022, on "Increasing the number of PhD scholarships";
- Considering** the Rector's Decree No. 196 of 30/05/2022, containing regulations on the subject of the research doctorates of Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma, in implementation of the provisions of Italian Law No. 240/2010;
- Considering** Italian Ministry Universities and Research Decree No. 301 of 22/03/2022, concerning "Guidelines for the accreditation of research doctorates as per Article 4, Paragraph 3 of the Regulation referred to in Ministerial Decree No. 226 of 14/12/2021";
- Considering** Italian Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 117 of 2/03/2023, which, in the context of the NextGenerationEU initiative, has allocated to universities, for the academic years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025, under the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR), Mission 4, Component 2, "From Research to Business", Investment 3.3, "Introduction of innovative doctorates that respond to the innovation needs of companies and promote the recruitment of researchers by companies", 13,292 three-year doctoral scholarships for the attendance of accredited, innovative doctoral courses (39th Cycle - Academic Year 2023-2024);
- Considering** Italian Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 118 of 2/03/2023, which, in the context of the NextGenerationEU initiative, has allocated to universities, for the academic years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025, under the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR), Mission 4, Component 1, "Strengthening of the offer of education services: from nursery schools through to universities", Investment 3.4, "Advanced university teaching and skills", 410 doctoral scholarships in programmes dedicated to the digital transition and the environmental transition;
- Considering** Italian Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 118 of 2/03/2023, which, in the context of the NextGenerationEU initiative, has allocated to universities, for the academic years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025, under the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR), Mission 4, Component 1, "Strengthening of the offer of education services: from nursery schools through to universities", Investment 4.1, "Extension of the number of research doctorates and innovative doctorates for the public administration and cultural heritage", 2,539 scholarships for PNRR doctorates, 2,140 scholarships for Public Administration doctorates, and 389 scholarships for Cultural Heritage doctorates;



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- Considering** Notice of the Italian Ministry of Universities and Research No. 3264 of 28/12/2021, entitled “Public notice for the presentation of project proposals for the strengthening and creation of Research Infrastructures”, to be financed under National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR), Mission 4, “Education and Research”, Component 2, “From research to business”, Investment Line 3.1, “Fund for the creation of an integrated system of research and innovation infrastructures”, financed by the European Union NextGenerationEU facility;
- Considering** Italian Ministry of Universities and Research Decree for access to funding No. 126 of 06/21/2022, concerning the project with Project Identifier No. IR0000016, entitled “I-PHOQS - Integrated Infrastructure Initiative in Photonic and Quantum Sciences”, under the European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI) area, “Physical Science and Engineering”, proposed by the Italian National Research Council, under Unique Project Code (CUP) B53C22001750006;
- Considering** Italian Law No. 33 of 12/04/2022, as amended, containing provisions regarding simultaneous enrolment in two higher education courses;
- Considering** Italian Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 930 of 28/07/2022, concerning “Provisions to allow simultaneous enrolment in two university courses”;
- Considering** Italian Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 933 of 2/08/2022, concerning “Provisions to allow simultaneous enrolment in two Higher Artistic and Musical Education (AFAM) courses or in one AFAM course and one university course”;
- Considering** Italian Law No. 241 of 07/08/1990 241, as amended, containing regulations on administrative procedures and the right of access to administrative documents;
- Considering** Italian Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28/12/2000 445, containing the “Consolidated law on regulations regarding administrative documents”, as amended;
- Considering** Italian Law No. 196 of 30/06/2003, as amended, containing the “Code on the protection of personal data”;
- Considering** the Resolution of the Academic Senate of Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma on 19/04/2023;
- Considering** the Resolution of the Governing Board of Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma on 27/04/2023;

HEREBY DECREES

Article 1
(Institution – Call for Applications)

1. The 39th Cycle PhD courses of the Academic Year 2023-2024 are hereby instituted, with registered office at Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma, as detailed in Annex A attached hereto, intended as an integral part hereof.
2. The PhD courses are instituted under condition of accreditation as per Italian Ministerial Decree 226/2021. In the event that a PhD course is not accredited, the relevant admission tests will not be carried out, and notification will promptly be given.
3. The public selection is hereby announced, based on qualifications and interviews, for admission to the research doctorate courses referred to in Annex A, for which the curricula, duration, total places and available scholarships, both generic and thematic (i.e. linked to a specific research theme), are indicated. The duration of the PhD course is three years, starting on 1/11/2023.

Article 2
(Admission Requirements)

1. Applications to participate in the selection procedure for admission to the PhD courses as per Article 1 above, regardless of age and citizenship, may be submitted by candidates who:



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- are in possession of a 5-year Italian university degree, as per the old university system (Vecchio Ordinamento), or a Specialist Degree as per Ministerial Decree No. 509 of 3/11/1999, or a Master's Degree as per Ministerial Decree No. 270 of 22/11/2004;
 - are in possession of a foreign degree that is equivalent in terms of duration and contents, and formally recognized as adequate. Candidates having a suitable academic certificate which has not yet been recognized as equivalent, must state their application for the validation of such certificate to the Selection Board of the PhD when submitting their application, as per the rules specified in the following Article 3 of this call for applications;
 - will attain a Master's Degree or equivalent foreign academic title by and no later than **31st October 2023**. Should the applicant be successful, a "Conditional Offer" will be made. In the case of a degree attained in Italy, self-certification of the academic title must be submitted (as per Rectoral Decree No. 445 of 28/12/2000) to the Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma Selection Board by **31st October, 2023**, or otherwise forfeit the relevant place. In the case of an academic title attained abroad, Italian or European nationals may submit self-certification, whereas non-European citizens should follow the procedures provided for by the following Article 3;
 - are enrolled in a medical or no-medical specialization school.
2. The university's administration reserves the right to verify the truthfulness of submitted declarations and request original documents, and may decide to exclude from the selection applicants who fail to meet the requirements set out by this call for applications, at any moment, giving the reasons for such action.

Article 3
(Admission Application)

1. The application form, together with any qualifications, documents and any scientific publications, should be submitted, **under penalty of exclusion, exclusively by electronic means**, using the specific online application to be found on the "Selection Procedures" page of the university's website: <https://www.unicampus.it/it/info/bandi-dottorati-di-ricerca>.
In order to register for the online application, candidates must provide a valid email address. The candidate should enter all the data required to file the submission, and attach the documents described in the following paragraphs of the present Article, exclusively in electronic form. **Applications and all related documentation may not be submitted in any other form.**
2. Within the deadline for the submission of the application, the online system allows the applicant to save data and upload documents in draft mode. The date of the online submission of the application for selection is certified by the computer system by means of a receipt automatically sent to the email address provided by the candidate.
After the deadline for application, the system will no longer allow access to or submission of the electronic form.
3. An identification number will be assigned to each submission that, together with the selection code indicated in the electronic application, shall be specified in all future communications.
4. **The preparation and data submission procedure of the application** must be completed by and no later than 12:00 pm on 24th July 2023, following the date of publication of the notice of this call published in the Official Gazette of the Italian Republic, Special Series 4, regarding "Competitions and exams".
5. The application form must be **completed in full**, as per the online application procedure, and must indicate, in particular:
 - a) **the research doctorate course and the chosen curriculum option, as well as any interest in competing for the generic or thematic scholarships referred to in Annex A of this call.**



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- b) **complete personal data of the applicant**, including name, surname, place and date of birth, personal identification number (Italian citizens only), place of residence and contact details used for the application (including zip/post code), a contact number, and an email address to which formal communications can be sent;
- c) the **nationality** of the applicant;
- d) self-certification of possession of a 5-year university degree (as per the old university system, or “Vecchio Ordinamento”), or of a Master’s Degree, as per Article 2 of this call, specifying the graduation date, the name of the university from which the title was obtained, the official duration of the course expressed in the required number of academic years, and the final score obtained;
- e) self-certification of the equivalence of **titles attained abroad**, as per Article 2 of this call. **Applicants in possession of a qualification title attained abroad and not yet formally recognized** may apply to the PhD Selection Board for its formal recognition, which will be documented by the issuing of a declaration of equivalence for the sole purpose of the selection procedure. The following documents must furthermore be attached to the application submission, either in the Italian or English language:
 - copy of the certificate attained abroad;
 - certificate or self-certification of the applicant indicating the exams taken and the relevant marks awarded.
- f) **self-certification** of the veracity of the statements made, of the personal data provided, and of the qualifications claimed, as per Italian Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28/12/2000.

Candidates with any disabilities as per Italian Law No. 104 of 5/02/1992 must make a formal request in order to be granted the relevant aid as per Article 20 of said law.

Candidates applying for admission to the PhD should also include a declaration stating:

- a) to not have been convicted or found guilty of any criminal offence;
 - b) to be a citizen with full rights;
 - c) to have an adequate knowledge of the English language;
 - d) any enrolment in a medical or non medical or healthcare specialization area school, specifying the academic year of enrolment, the academic year in which the applicant is currently enrolled, the complete duration of the course, and the name of the university administering the course.
6. The following documents must furthermore be attached to the application form, in PDF format:
 - a curriculum vitae;
 - a brief plan of a proposed research project consistent with the chosen curriculum or with the specific research theme of the chosen thematic scholarship, of a maximum of 3 pages of A4 format, minimum 12 point font size. This plan may not necessarily be the focus of the PhD course, but must clearly evidence research skills and a basic knowledge of research methods;
 - any publications, other degrees or certifications.
 7. Applicants who, in their application, have expressed an interest in competing for one or more of the thematic scholarships must submit a separate research plan for each selected thematic scholarship, consistent with the specific theme of the scholarship.
 8. Applicants wishing to compete for the thematic or generic scholarships of two or more PhD courses must make separate payments for each PhD course applied for.
 9. Applicants wishing to apply to more than one PhD course should submit separate applications for each selected PhD course.
 10. Submission of the application must be completed as per the following:
 - **By means of the applicant’s digital signature**, using a smart card, USB drive or remote digital signature entitling the holder to sign generic digital documents using signature software on a computer or on a remote digital signing web portal as made available by the relevant certification authority. Those in possession of a smart card or a USB drive with their digital signature may verify



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its compatibility with the digital signature system of the online application server system. In case of compatibility, the holder may sign the application directly via the server;

- **Applicants who do not have a compatible digital signature device and applicants who have a remote digital signature** and access to a portal for the signing of generic documents must save the PDF file of the application generated by the system on their PC, and, **without in any way modifying it**, digitally sign it in CADES format in order to generate a file with the extension .p7m, which must then be uploaded to the system.
- **In case the use of one of the aforementioned options is not possible**, the applicant must save the PDF file produced by the system on their PC, and, **without in any way modifying it**, print it, sign it with a complete handwritten signature on the last page of the form, and initial every other page. A copy of a valid identity document must also be attached to the signed document. The complete document must then scanned, saved as a PDF and uploaded to the system.
- For any clarifications regarding this procedure, you can write to the following e-mail address: concorsi@unicampus.it.

Article 4
(Selection Board)

The **Selection Board** responsible for assessing applicants to the PhD courses, as per Article 1, will be composed as per the Doctorate Regulation approved by Rectoral Decree No. 196 of 30/05/2022. In the case of a doctorate that includes thematic scholarships in the call, the Rector will appoint a Selection Board dedicated exclusively to the evaluation of applicants who have expressed an interest in those scholarships during the application phase.

Article 5
(Selection Procedure)

1. Applicants who have correctly completed their application to the call will be eligible for the PhD course and related curriculum subject to evaluation by the **Selection Board** and according to the number of available places.

The evaluation will take place via the following selection procedure:

- a) overall evaluation of the candidate, including their aptitude regarding scientific research in relation to the chosen PhD course, as evidenced from the documentation included in their application;
- b) evaluation of their research plan. For successful candidates, the research project to be completed during the PhD will be defined at a later date by the candidate in conjunction with their PhD supervisor, and will need to be approved by the relevant PhD Selection Board;
- c) an interview aimed at evaluating the candidate's knowledge and research aptitude in the relevant scientific field.

2. The interviews will take place according to the calendar to be published on the following web page: <https://www.unicampus.it/it/info/bandi-dottorati-di-ricerca>. The candidates will not be notified or receive any further communications on a personal basis. Candidates must attend the interview electronically via the **Microsoft Teams** platform.

The candidates must make themselves available at the date and time indicated. At the interview, the candidates must show the same valid identity document that was included in their application. Failure to connect at the established time or to show the valid identity document will result in exclusion of the candidate from the selection procedure.

The interviews will be conducted by an Evaluation Committee that will also assess language skills of the languages indicated in the application form.

3. The Evaluation Committee will assign a maximum score of **100** points for each candidate, assigned as



follows:

a)	0-30 points	CV
b)	0-20 points	Research plan
c)	0-50 points	Interview

4. Successful candidates must obtain a total score of at least **60/100**, according to the table provided above in Paragraph 3.

Article 6 (Rankings)

1. The Evaluation Committee responsible for assessing the candidates for each doctorate, after having evaluated all the applicants and on the basis of the criteria set out in Article 5, will draw up the final PhD course ranking of applicants according to the score obtained by each candidate.
2. In the event that the call provides for thematic scholarships or sets of thematic scholarships, a separate merit ranking will be drawn up for set of thematic scholarships.
3. The ranking will be expressed in decreasing order, as the result of the sum of the aforementioned scores of the above letters a), b) and c) of Article 5, Paragraph 3.
4. The applicants included in each ranking may be declared successful candidates if they comply with the conditions set out in the above Article 2.
5. The Rector, by special decree, will assess the correctness of the documentation of the selection procedure and approve the rankings.
6. Candidates with scores lower than 60/100 will not be considered successful and will be excluded from the ranking. In cases of equal scores for places supported by a scholarship, candidates with a weaker economic situation will be awarded a higher ranking.
7. In case of equal scores for places not supported by a scholarship, a higher ranking will be awarded to candidates who:
 - have earned a degree with a higher score than the other candidate(s);
 - or, having an equal degree score, are younger than the other candidate(s).
8. The final rankings will be published on the university's "Competitions" web page at the address: <https://www.unicampus.it/it/info/bandi-dottorati-di-ricerca>.
9. Should Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma be awarded any scholarships through the Lazio Region Public Call or any further calls, these will be assigned in compliance with the requirements set out in such calls, according to the ranking and the relevance of the scholarship theme to the candidate's curricular suitability.

Article 7 (Admission to the Courses)

1. Candidates will be admitted to the course by the order of the ranking and up to the number of places available for each PhD course.
2. In the event of the assignment of more than one scholarship to a candidate, the candidate must choose only one for a single PhD course.



Article 8 (Enrolment)

1. Candidates admitted to the course must proceed with enrolment by following the instructions contained in the public notice on the university's website at the address: <https://www.unicampus.it/it/info/bandi-dottorati-di-ricerca>. The publication of this notice shall have the effect of formal notification to all those interested in this procedure.
2. Successful candidates who need a visa to stay in Italy, after completing the enrolment procedure, must also comply with the provisions published annually by the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research on the website <https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/>.
3. Those who have not completed the enrolment as per Paragraph 1 of this Article shall be considered as having renounced their admission. Places renounced by and no later than 30 days from the beginning of the course will be offered to the next candidates in the ranking, as notified by the updated list of candidates eligible for admission published on university's web page: <https://www.unicampus.it/it/info/bandi-dottorati-di-ricerca>. Such publication is the formal means of notification, and candidates who have been classed as eligible shall not receive any personal communication to the effect. It is hereby specified that candidates will be given a peremptory deadline for carrying out the aforementioned procedures, after which any lack of response or non-compliance shall be considered as a waiver of the candidate's position in the ranking.
4. Attendance of the PhD courses is compatible with simultaneous enrolment in another university course of any level, including courses provided by Higher Institutes of Music and Dance Studies, provided that full attendance is not mandatory.
5. Admitted applicants who at the time of enrolment are already enrolled in a 1st or 2nd level Master's course must obtain the favourable opinion of the Academic Boards of the two courses, which will verify whether the conditions exist for the adequate acquisition of knowledge and skills to achieve the educational objectives of each of the courses.
6. Admitted specializing postgraduate applicants, on enrolment, must submit their application for the reduction of doctoral activities together with the judgement of compatibility expressed by the Academic Board of the postgraduate school, in relation to the doctoral project, compatible with the teaching aims of the postgraduate school itself, in consideration of the distance between sites, the activities and of the commitment envisaged by the specialization school and by the doctoral course.

Due to incompatibility between the remuneration paid to specialization trainees and PhD scholarships, scholarships will not be paid for any period of joint attendance, and monthly payments will only begin to be credited after the end of the specialization. Unpaid monthly payments shall remain available in the funds of the Administration.

Joint attendance of PhD courses and specialization schools in the medical field is **incompatible** in the case of the assignment of a PNRR scholarship, given its qualification as an irrenounceable scholarship (as per Ministerial Decree 301/2022, Paragraph 3.3, Letter e); FAQ MUR No. 10 – 39th Cycle Research Doctorates).

Article 9 (Scholarships)

1. In compliance with the ranking order and acknowledging preferences expressed in relation to the thematic scholarships during the application submission stage, the scholarships will be assigned by the Academic Board no later than the start of the course activities, and, in any case, no later than the month of November 2023, in the number provided for in Annex A. The preferences expressed by the candidate, in relation to the thematic scholarships, during the application stage, will not be binding for the purpose of assigning the aforementioned scholarships.



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The scholarships will be valid for one year and renewed provided that the PhD student has completed the programme of activities planned for the previous year, and that this has been verified according to the procedures established in Article 12 of the Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma Regulation, without prejudice to the commitment to grant the scholarship after positive assessment of such verification for the expected duration of the PhD course.

Holders of PNRR scholarships, as a result of the peculiarity of the funding of the scholarships, must comply with precise and timed reporting obligations, as indicated in the following Articles 12 and 12b, and may be subject to partially different rules regarding any activities they may carry out outside the doctorate.

2. The number of doctoral places with or without scholarship, excluding places with thematic scholarships, may be increased should additional financial contributions be allocated from other universities or private or public institutions. Such contributions are conditional to **their publication by the day before the date of the interview**. Notice of any additional places with or without scholarship will be duly given on the university's website.
3. The annual scholarship amounts to Euro 16,243.00, excluding social security contributions to be paid by the PhD student. This amount may be increased by no more than 50 percent, also in favour of non-scholarship students, for a period of no longer than 12 months, activated in accordance with the PhD Programme Regulation of Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma, if the PhD student is authorized by the Academic Board of the PhD to carry out research activity abroad.
4. PhD students who are enrolled, with or without scholarships, in the PhD programmes, are assured, within the financial resources existing in the budget of Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma, an adequate fund for research activities in Italy and abroad in relation to the type of course, and in any case for an amount no less than 10% of the scholarship amount.
5. PhD students who are awarded one scholarship are not eligible for other scholarships, with the exception of scholarships awarded by Italian and foreign institutions that the Academic Board of the PhD, by express resolution, resolves is useful for supplementing the training of the PhD students and their research activity.
6. Scholarships financed by external bodies are awarded to doctoral students subject to the successful completion of the allocation to the university of the respective financial resources and to the agreements between the university and the funding bodies.
7. As part of their training, subject to approval by the Academic Board of the PhD, and without any increase in any assigned scholarship, the PhD students may act as tutors for Bachelor's and Master's Degree courses, as well as participate in supplementary teaching activities for no more than forty hours per academic year.
8. The maximum income limit of the student compatible with the scholarship may not exceed the maximum amount of the scholarship itself.
9. After the third year of the PhD, such limit as described in the previous paragraph shall be repealed. Medical PhD students may participate in clinical-healthcare activities.
10. The PhD scholarship is provided subject to the payment of INPS social security contributions for self-employed workers as per Article 2, Paragraph 26, of Italian Law No. 335 of 08/08/1995, as amended, two-thirds of which will be paid by the university administration and one third by the scholarship holder. PhD students will benefit from all related protections and rights.
11. In the case of justified impediments that do not allow effective attendance (e.g. illness, maternity, postnatal issues, or other serious and documented reasons), the doctoral student may request a suspension of attendance of the courses, with a consequent interruption of the scholarship, and the extension of the training period. The Academic Board will decide on whether to grant a suspension.
12. Should a PhD student decide to not continue with the doctorate or an order of expulsion is issued by the Rector upon the recommendation of the Academic Board of the PhD, due to severe failings in



performing the research work or due to false statements made, then any assigned scholarship shall be revoked.

13. Scholarships not awarded to the selected candidates will be assigned to other eligible candidates according to the ranking.
14. If there are no eligible candidates and the scholarships are not reassigned, the related funding will be allocated to the university budget.
15. For any further aspect relating to the administration of the doctorate, please refer to the relevant university regulations.

Article 10 **(Contributions and Exemptions)**

1. PhD students assigned a scholarship will be required to pay the relevant enrolment fee of Euro 200.00, to be paid at the time of enrolment or renewal of enrolment according to the instructions published on the university's website <https://www.unicampus.it/it/info/bandi-dottorati-di-ricerca>.
2. Furthermore, all doctoral students (with and without scholarship) are required to pay the stamp duty of €16.00 upon enrolment, in addition to the regional tax for the right to study of €140.00 (if due), according to the instructions published on the university's website <https://www.unicampus.it/it/info/bandi-dottorati-di-ricerca>.

Article 11 **(Obligations of the PhD Students)**

1. Admission to the PhD implies an exclusive full-time commitment, in compliance with the University Code of Ethics, without prejudice to specific provisions under Articles 7 and 10 of the Ministerial Regulation and Article 12, Paragraph 5, of the Ministerial Regulation regarding civil servants admitted to PhD courses.
2. At the end of each year, the PhD students must submit a written report to the Academic Board of the PhD regarding the training and research activities carried out, and, if requested, discuss such activities as prescribed by the Board. Having also heard the opinion of the doctoral supervisor, the Board, by motivated resolution, will admit the student to the following year or the final exam, or, in the case of severe failings, propose to the Rector to issue a provision for exclusion from continuation of the course.
3. Recipients of scholarships funded under Ministerial Decree No. 117/2023 and Ministerial Decree No. 118/2023 are also required to comply with the following obligations, and any other provision relating to the specific type of funded scholarship:
 - **PNRR PhD scholarships as per Ministerial Decree 117/2023:** To carry out periods of study and research in companies, from a minimum of six (6) months to a maximum of eighteen (18) months, whether continuous or non-continuous or in one or several organizations, over the three-year period, and study and research periods abroad, whether continuous or non-continuous, from a minimum of six (6) months up to the maximum limit established by Article 9, Paragraph 3, of Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 226 of 14/12/2021. The periods of study and research in companies and abroad are to be separate, and must be carried out concerning different subjects;
 - **PNRR PhD scholarships as per Ministerial Decree 118/2023:**
 - a. **PNRR Research:** To research a limited topic consistent with the specific planning of Ministerial Decree 118/23. Applicants will have to carry out a study and research period abroad for a minimum of six (6) up to the maximum limit established by Article 9, Paragraph 3, of Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 226 of 14/12/2021;



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- b. **The Digital and Environmental Transitions:** To carry study and research in companies or research centres, from a minimum of six (6) months to a maximum of twelve (12) months, whether continuous or non-continuous, over the three-year period, and include periods of study and research abroad, whether continuous or non-continuous, from a minimum of six (6) up to the maximum limit established by Article 9, Paragraph 3, of Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 226 of 14/12/2021. The periods of study and research in companies, public administrations or research centres and abroad are to be separate, and must be carried out concerning different subjects.
- c. **Public Administration:** To carry out study and research periods in companies, public administrations or research centres, from a minimum of six (6) months to a maximum of twelve (12) months, whether continuous or non-continuous, over the three-year period, and periods of study and research abroad, whether continuous or non-continuous, from a minimum of six (6) up to the maximum limit established by Article 9, Paragraph 3, of Ministry of Universities and Research Decree No. 226 of 14/12/2021. The periods of study and research in companies, public administrations or research centres and abroad are to be separate, and must be carried out in different organizations.

PhD students with PNRR scholarships will have to submit a six-monthly report on the online platform (<http://dottorati.mur.gov.it>) indicating the time commitment (divided into months in the company, office and abroad) and a summary of the main activities carried out, validated by the PhD course coordinator.

4. Doctoral students who are awarded scholarships funded by public or private external bodies must comply with any specific provisions set out in the relevant agreements signed between Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma and such bodies.

Article 12
(Scholarships PNRR)

1. Recipients of scholarships funded under Ministerial Decree No. 117/2023 and Ministerial Decree No. 118/2023, must accept the following conditions:
 - a) that the enrolment and subsequent assignment of the doctoral scholarship is subject to the outcome of Ministry of Universities and Research checks relating to the consistency of the research project with the PNRR thematic areas;
 - b) that withdrawal from the doctoral course entails the return of the monthly amounts received in the semester in which the withdrawal was presented, except for periods already completed, or according to different ministerial provisions;
 - c) that it is not possible to enrol if not intending to take advantage of the scholarship, and it will not be possible to renounce it within the three-year period. Renouncing use of the scholarship will entail forfeiture of the course and the obligatory return of any sums received, as indicated in paragraph 2 of this article.

Article 13
(Award of the Qualification)

1. The title of Doctor of Philosophy, abbreviated by “PhD”, will be issued after positive assessment of a research thesis able to contribute to the advancement of knowledge or methodologies in the chosen field of the study. The PhD thesis, accompanied by a summary in English or Italian, may be written in English or Italian, or in another language subject to approval by the Academic Board of the PhD. A report by the PhD student on the activities carried out during the course must be attached to the thesis, including a list of publications. The thesis must be assessed by at least two highly qualified experts on



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the themes dealt with in the thesis, appointed by the Academic Board, who may also be from foreign institutions, and must be unrelated to the parties contributing to the granting of the PhD.

Public discussion of the thesis will take place before a Thesis Evaluation Commission appointed by the Rector on the recommendation of the Academic Board, in compliance, where possible, with gender balance and made up by at least two thirds of parties not belonging to the university and by no more than one third by parties related to the doctorate, as per Article 3, Paragraph 2 of the relevant Ministerial Decree.

2. PhD students admitted to the public discussion should make their dissertations available to the commissioners at least 15 days before the discussion itself. Following the discussion, the thesis will be approved or rejected by a collegial vote and justified written judgement.

The title of Doctor of Philosophy will then be awarded by the Rector on the recommendation of the Academic Board. Should the PhD thesis be published, it must bear the words "Thesis for attainment of the PhD (name of the course) at Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma".

Article 14
(Personal Data Processing)

1. All personal data provided by applicants will be used only for purposes strictly connected and functional to the management of the selection procedure, in accordance with regulations in force and the formal consent of the applicants themselves.

Article 15
(Competent Administration Unit and Person Responsible for the Procedure)

The person in charge of the administration of this call is Rosa Maria Lauretta, Head of the Call for Applications Service of the Human Resources Department, with email address: concorsi@unicampus.it.

Article 16
(Final Provisions)

1. For all matters not expressly provided for in this call, the legislative and regulatory provisions mentioned in the introduction and all applicable laws in force shall apply.

Article 17
(Dissemination of the Call)

1. This call is disseminated via the following websites:
 - Official website of the Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma: <https://www.unicampus.it/it/info/bandi-dottorati-di-ricerca>;
 - Official website of the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research: <http://bandi.miur.it>;
 - Official website of the European Union: <http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess>.

Rome, 15th June 2023

Chief Executive Officer and Director General
signed Dr. Andrea Rossi

The Rector
signed Prof. Eugenio Guglielmelli

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