CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS
pursuant to art. 22 paragraph 4 letter a) of Italian Law no. 240/2010 of 30/12/2010 and the Research Fellowships Regulation issued by Rector's Decree no.416 of 19/04/2011

Protocol num. 92 rep. 12 dated January 28th, 2019

Art. 1 - Purpose

A public competition is opened, based on qualifications at the Department of Economics, Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna to award 2 (two) A Type research fellowships duration of 36 months, in the following scientific areas:

SECS-P/01 Economics
SECS P/02 Economic Policy
SECS-P/03 Public Finance
SECS-P/04 History of Economic Thought
SECS-P/05 Econometrics
SECS-P/06 Applied Economics
SECS-P/12 Economic History

The research fellowships are issued pursuant to the University Regulation issued by Rector's Decree no. 416 of 19/04/2011, financed by 2017 integrated budget funds, approved by the Department Board in the session of October 10th, 2018 and resolved by the Management Board of the University of Bologna in the session of October 30th, 2018.

Candidates meeting the admission requirements listed in art. 2 below shall submit their application under the terms and conditions set forth in article 3.

The activities will be performed under the supervision of a tutor identified among the research and teaching staff of the Department. The tutor will supervise the activities of the research fellow, performed in a non-subordinate relationship with no fixed working hours.

Art. 2 - Requirements for candidacy

The selection procedure is open to candidates possessing one of the qualifications listed below:

(a) PhD or equivalent qualification
or
(b) University Degree (Old University Degree System) or 2nd cycle Degree ("specialistica/magistrale" under the New Degree System) or equivalent qualification, to be presented together with a certificate of completion of the first three years of the doctoral program.

Candidates must possess the admission requirements on the deadline for submission of applications laid down in this call. Candidates who do not possess the admission requirements will not be considered.

The selection is not open to any persons who are related by blood or by marriage up to the fourth degree, to a professor working in the department for which the call is issued, or to the Rector, Director General or a member of the Board of Governors of the University.

The selection is not open to anyone who has held research fellowship contracts with any institution, pursuant to Italian Law no. 240/2010, for a period which, summed to the foreseen duration of this contract, exceeds a total of 6 years, excluding any period in which the contract coincided with a PhD without scholarship, for the maximum limit of the legal duration of the PhD programme.
Furthermore the selection is not open to anyone who has had research fellowship or fixed-term researcher contracts at the University of Bologna or any other state-funded, private-funded or distance-learning Italian university pursuant to articles 22 and 24 of Italian Law 240/2010, or with any other body listed in paragraph 1 of Art. 22 of Italian Law 240/2010 for a period which, summed to the foreseen duration of this contract, exceeds a total of 12 years, even if not consecutive. For the purposes of the duration of the above-described periods, in compliance with the laws in force any periods of maternity or sick leave shall not be calculated.

Art. 3 – Application

Applications may only be submitted online by accessing the website: https://personale.unibo.it, after completing the registration process, following the instructions provided on the application web-page. The application must be completed by February 18, 2019, at 13:00 local time; applications submitted after this deadline will not be considered.

The date shown on the receipt sent electronically to the candidate is deemed to be the date of the application submission.

The department shall assume no liability for the non-delivery or delay of the application.

Any communication regarding the selection procedure will be performed exclusively through the email provided by the applicant in the application.

In her/his on-line application the applicant, following the displayed instructions, must indicate, under her/his responsibility:

- surname and name;
- date and place of birth;
- nationality;
- place of residence;
- that she/he does not have any criminal record and is not involved in any current criminal proceedings (or if so, state which);
- that she/he possesses the qualification required by art. 2 of the call for applications, specifying the University and year in which it was obtained;

or

- that she/he possesses an academic qualification obtained abroad, which is deemed equivalent.

The candidates holding a qualification obtained abroad must annex to their applications a translation into Italian or English of their foreign qualification, together with a sworn statement that it is a faithful translation of the original certificate.

The foreign qualification may be declared admissible by the Evaluation Board, solely for the purposes of admission to the selection procedure.

In case of award, the winning candidates having obtained their qualification in a country outside of the European Union, must provide the Department, in the same manner as laid down for the presentation of applications, the official translation with a declaration of value of the foreign qualification issued by the competent diplomatic representation or Italian consulate in their home country, in accordance with the applicable laws, within 30 days from the notification of official approval of the selection procedure reports. If the documents are not received by the Department within the stated deadline, the candidate will not be awarded the contract.

Together with their application, candidates must submit a research project, which should be explicitly linked to one of the scientific areas listed in article 1 of this call for applications. In the project, the applicant must indicate: the specific purpose and outcomes of the research, the project development timetable in order to pursue the set objectives, which should be coherent with the contractual period of the research fellowship. Failing to submit the research project automatically implies the exclusion from the selection procedure.

Moreover, the applicant shall also enclose to the on-line application:
• scientific and professional curriculum vitae (CV), including academic and professional qualifications. Qualifications issued by Italian public administrations must be self-certified or submitted in an unstamped photocopy, as provided for in art. 15 of Italian law no. 183/2011, by way of a simple declaration of certification and/or affidavit.
• a photocopy of an ID document.

Candidates must also provide at least two and at most three recommendation letters (pdf scans with signature) by professors or researchers of Italian or foreign Universities or Research Institutes. The candidates may attach the letters to the application, or as the Referees to send the letters directly. In this case, the candidate shall indicate in the Online Application System the name, email address and institution of the recommenders. The System will then invite the recommenders to write the letters (pdf scans with signature) and will provide them with the instruction to upload them in the System. **The reference letters must be uploaded by the application deadline.**

Candidates with certified disabilities pursuant to art.3 of Italian Law no. 104 of 05.12.1992 may request, via email to dse.info@unibo.it, the benefits laid down in art.20 of the same Law, enclosing the original or an authenticated copy of the certification relative to the specific disability issued by the competent territorial medical board.

Candidates are admitted to the selection procedure with reserve. At any time, the Department may, with justification, exclude them from the selection procedure. The excluded candidate will be notified of such decision.

**Art. 4 - Comparative assessment of the candidates and the Evaluation Board**

The candidates and their projects will be assessed comparatively by an Evaluation Board appointed by the Board of the Department, and formed by the following members:
Chairman: Professor FANELLI Luca
Member: Professor BIGONI Maria
Member: Professor CALVANO Emilio
Deputy member: Professor PRAROLO Giovanni

The selection procedure will focus on the examination of the selection criteria laid down in advance by the evaluation board, the submitted research project, the recommendation letters, and the scientific-professional curriculum, as resulting from the documents enclosed with the application.

At the end of the selection procedure, the Board will set up a ranking list of candidates published on the Department website www.dse.unibo.it, for a period of 12 months. If two candidates receive the same scores, preference will be given to the younger candidate. The Head of the Department shall confirm in writing his approval of the list drawn up by the Board. The list of candidates may be used to award other research fellowships within the same scientific area, also of a shorter duration than that indicated in the call for applications and in any case no less than one year.

**Art. 5 - Duration and amount of the contract**

The research fellowships have a duration of 36 months and may be extended in the terms laid down in article 8 of the University Regulation concerning research fellowships, as issued by D.R. no. 416 of 19/04/2011.

The gross amount of the research fellowship contract is € 30.125,39 per annum. The amount is exempt of withholding tax and includes all statutory social security charges the Research Fellow is subject to. The amount will be paid in deferred monthly payments.
The research funds of the research fellowship contract are €3,000 per annum.

The Research Fellows are covered by accident insurance, against payment of the required contribution which will be withheld from the first monthly instalment.

Art. 6 – Contract signature

Successful candidates will be invited to sign a contract for research activities with the Department no later than 31/12/2019.

In the event the winning candidate doesn't obtain the PhD title within 9 months after the conclusion of the PhD course, the contract will be immediately terminated on the expiry of that period.

The non-acceptance within the deadline notified by the Department shall lead to the forfeiture of the right to sign the contract.

Art. 7 - Rights and Duties

a) For obligatory maternity leave, the contract is governed by the provisions of paragraph 6 art. 22 of Italian Law no. 240/2010.

b) The research activities are carried out under the supervision of the tutor, in a non-subordinate relationship with no fixed working hours. The research fellow shall personally carry out the required activities laid down in the Activity Programme without any substitution.

c) At the end of the activities, the Research Fellow shall present a detailed final report to the Board of the Department, describing the activities carried out, the results achieved and the scientific developments, accompanied by the opinion of the tutor.

d) The Research Fellow may spend a period of study abroad, in line with a programme agreed with the department and with expenses borne by the department, without prejudice to the possibility to obtain specific funding.

Art. 8 - Regulations concerning Intellectual Property

Industrial Property rights over the results achieved by the Research Fellow in the execution of research activities undertaken on behalf of the University, including but not limited to industrial inventions, models, drawings, plant varieties, as well as the intellectual and industrial property rights deriving from the production of software or databases (“Results”), belong exclusively to the University, which may freely use them also within agreements made by the departments with third parties, without prejudice to the moral rights of the Research Fellow who shall be acknowledged as the author or inventor.

The Research Fellow has the right to publish the results of his/her research activities, provided that the publication does not prejudice the rights of the University over the protection of the results.

The Research Fellow therefore undertakes to promptly notify the achievement of the results to the tutor, who shall verify the existence of any such prejudice.

In any case the Research Fellow undertakes to sign a specific Undertaking of Confidentiality with the referred Department, which will be annexed to the contract.

Art. 9 - Non-accumulation, incompatibility, leave

1. The position of research fellow is incompatible with the following positions:

a) fixed-term and full-time staff employed by the bodies listed in art. 22 para. 1 of Italian Law no. 240/2010;

b) persons employed by any private bodies, on a fixed term, permanent or part-time basis; For staff of any Public Administration other than those listed in letter a) refer to the provisions of point 2 below;

c) persons with fixed-term research contracts with any university;

d) persons enrolled in any first, second or single cycle degree programmes, PhD programmes with scholarships or specialisation school. Self-funded research contracts are compatible with enrolments in non-medical specialisation schools, for which no study grant or contract is foreseen
or master’s degree, only where authorised in advance by the Department Director, and having sought the opinion of the tutor.
e) persons awarded research fellowships at any other body.

2. Employees of public administrations other than those listed in point a) with a fixed-term, permanent or part-time contract shall take unpaid leave of absence for the whole period of the research contract.

3. Freelance professional activities are compatible with the research fellowship contract where authorised in advance by the Board of the Department, with the motivated opinion of the tutor and having verified that the activities in addition to the research fellowship do not prejudice the regular execution of the contract.

4. The accumulation of the research fellowship contract with study grants awarded for any purpose is not permitted, with the exception of those granted by national or foreign institutions for the purposes of integrating the research activities with study periods abroad.

5. The above requirements must be possessed from the moment of entry into force of the contract. The winning candidate shall sign a specific affidavit undertaking to notify the department of any variations in the declared situations as soon as they occur.

**Art. 10 - Forfeiture**

Any candidate who within the deadline notified by the Department does not sign the contract, unless for promptly and duly demonstrated reasons of health or force majeure, shall forfeit the right to sign the contract.

**Art. 11 - Reference norms**

For any matters not laid down in this call for applications, refer to the Regulation on Research Fellows issued by the University of Bologna by Rectoral Decree no. 416 dated 19.04.2011 and other statutory regulations in force.

The personal data provided by the candidates in their applications, pursuant to articles 7 and 13 of Italian Legislative Decree no. 196 of 30.06.03, shall be processed for the purposes of managing the selection procedure and the contract.

The selection procedure manager is professor Giorgio Bellettini.

This call for applications will be published on the University Portal, the MIUR website and the European Mobility Portal.

For any further information, please write an email to dse.info@unibo.it

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