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Research fellowship on “Palaeographic survey of Greek writing from the 7th to 9th centuries with special reference to the Egyptian-Sinaitic-Palestinian area and monastic provenance” - Università Ca' Foscari Venezia

(Italian law 30 December 2010, n. 240, art. 22)

The present document in English is to be considered as a mere summary of the main provisions of the notice of competition which is available in Italian at the following ([link](#)) The text in Italian is the official text of the notice of competition for all legal intents and purposes and, in the event of non-conformity with the present document, it shall prevail.

Description

The Department of Humanities at Ca' Foscari University of Venice (Dipartimento di Studi Umanistici dell'Università Ca' Foscari Venezia) invites applications for a fellowship in: “**Palaeographic survey of Greek writing from the 7th to 9th centuries with special reference to the Egyptian-Sinaitic-Palestinian area and monastic provenance**”, Academic discipline: M-STO/09 Paleography, tutor prof. Paola Degni, financed by the PRIN 2020 project “BYZBOOKNET – Book production, graphic dislocations and cultural networks in Byzantium in the 9th and 10th centuries” (codice progetto 2020EPHJS2), CUP: H73C20000190006, P. I. prof. Degni.

Abstract: The project intends to subject the Byzantine minuscule books of the 9th and 10th centuries, also from outside the Byzantine area stricto sensu, to a renewed study, with an innovative approach with respect to the vital, and not yet fully exploited, contribution offered by some peripheral areas to the definition of scripts and cultural practices.

In particular, the project will focus on 7th-9th century Greek writings produced of monastic provenance in the Egyptian-Syrian-Palestinian area, also evidenced on Greek-Coptic bilingual materials.

The research fellow will be expected to contribute to research activities and to the organisation of conferences, seminars, workshops related to the subject of the research, as well as to scientific production. Among the expected results is the production of a palaeographic album where the script exempla will be presented according to new descriptive parameters and accompanied by images and transcriptions.

The research may be carried out in English.

The fellowship is intended to provide the successful candidate with the opportunity to pursue his/her own research while benefiting from the range of expertise at Ca' Foscari University of Venice.

Who can apply

Prospective candidates are expected to hold a **doctoral degree with a research topic or curriculum related to Academic discipline M-STO/09 Paleography and appropriate academic and professional CV**.

Ca' Foscari encourages applications from researchers with positive evaluation in all the criteria in individual proposals such as Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) or similar.

Researchers having successfully completed Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) or similar funded projects are warmly encouraged to apply.

Duration of contract: 22 months (approximately starting: 1st June 2023)

Stipend: The research fellowship amounts to **35.506,17 Euros**, including taxes and social charges.

Deadline for submission of applications: 20th May 2023, h. 12.00 noon (Italian time).

How to apply:

Candidates shall submit:



1. The application form;
2. A motivation letter (max 1 page) along with their CV in European format, duly dated and signed, both to enclosed as a one single.pdf file ([link](#)); a declaration must be appended in the footnote of the curriculum, pursuant to the Italian DPR 445/2000 and subsequent amendments and additions, that the information provided corresponds to the truth. Moreover the candidates have to consent to the use of their personal data for the purposes of this selection procedure pursuant to the Italian Legislative Decree 196/2003 and to the EU Regulations 2016/679;
3. The attachments called "obligations and understanding" and "participation and compatibility";
4. All documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure (please, see the notice - [link](#));
5. A copy of a valid identity document (either Identity Card or Passport);
6. (If available) Evaluation Summary Reports of Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) individual proposals having passed all the evaluation thresholds;
7. (If available) Details of Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships, ERC Starting Grants, FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/ SIR Scientific Young Independence Research funded projects;
8. Declaration on availability to held the interview in remote ([Link](#)) to be send via email at the following address: ricerca.dsu@unive.it

All the schemes of the quoted documentation are available on the website ([link](#)).

Incomplete applications will be rejected.

How to submit your application

Applications should be submitted by the online procedure, available on the notice webpage ([link](#))

Or submit here: <https://apps.unive.it/domandeconcorso-en/accesso/2023-dsu-ar-1>

The candidate, after the uploading, will receive a submission number and an e-mail acknowledging receipt of his/her application.

The candidate if necessary could access the procedures for updating any data and materials by the link provided by the e-mail, in any case any updates must be made no later than the deadline on **20th May 2023, h. 12.00 noon (Italian time)**.

Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate until 24 hours prior to the deadline.

Please note that in case of an high number of applications and / or weight of the materials loaded by the candidates the system might become slower, Therefore it is suggested not to start the process close to the deadline.

NB: the University does not take on responsibility for wrong or late communication of addresses, nor for any communication problem not depending on the University.

Evaluation

Up to 100 points, specifically:

For qualifications, publications and possible tests, from 0 to 60;

For interview, from 0 to 40.

The following qualifications are considered as evaluation criteria:

- a) a list of the candidate's scientific publications;
- b) 2 articles published in class A scientific journals, or 2 contributions in scientific collective works, sent in PDF format, that will be evaluated by the Commission;



- c) specialisation diplomas and certificates of attendance at postgraduate specialisation courses, obtained both in Italy and abroad, the performance of documented research activities at public and private institutions with contracts, research grants, scholarships or research assignments both in Italy and abroad, with specific reference to Academic Discipline M-STO/09 Paleography;
- d) knowledge of the Coptic language to be certified by university credits or degrees acquired in specific courses;
- e) participation in national and international seminars and conferences;
- f) attached 'preferential securities', if the candidate possesses them - see Article 5 of the competition available in Italian ([link](#));
- g) any other element provided for the announcement, to the articles 2, 3 and 5 of the competition available in Italian ([link](#)).

The interview aims to assess the candidates' skills and expertise on the following subjects:

- full knowledge of the Byzantine manuscript book and the history of Greek writing, as well as sound skills in the historical-paleographic method;
- specific knowledge of the Byzantine minuscule in the 9th-10th centuries (also in the light of its presence and persistence in peripheral areas and in the Christian East);
- ability to describe and catalogue the Greek manuscript book according to current descriptive parameters;
- knowledge of the English language (at least level B2).

At the end of his/her research activity, the research fellow will be expected to contribute to research activities and to the organisation of conferences, seminars, workshops related to the subject of the research, as well as to scientific production. Among the expected results is the production of a palaeographic album where the script exempla will be presented according to new descriptive parameters and accompanied by images and transcriptions

Selection procedure

The interview will be **on 30th May 2023, h. 5.30 p.m.** The interview will be held in remote with Google Meet. The short-list of the candidates admitted to the interview, or any postponement, will be published on the University's webpage on 24th May 2023 ([link](#)).

Information and contacts

Candidates may find further details about the application process and the research project in the official call published on the following ([link](#))

For further information please contact Department of Humanities - Research Office, e-mail: ricerca.dsu@unive.it