



Research fellowship on *Human-animal relations in transhumance's diverse economies* – Project PRIN: Farms on the move. Rethinking the geographies of transhumance's community-based economies: a more-than-human approach (Project code n. 2022Z348HC), Responsabile Prof.ssa Annalisa Colombino, CUP H53D23005080006- Università Ca' Foscari Venezia (Italian law 30 December 2010, n.240, art. 22)

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Description

The Department of *Economics* at Università Ca' Foscari Venezia invites applications for a fellowship in:

- **Title:**
Human-animal relations in transhumance's diverse economies
- **Academic Discipline or disciplines specifically identified by the call:** M-GGR/02
- **scientific coordinator and tutor:** Prof.ssa Annalisa Colombino
- **duration:** 12 months

Abstract:

The research activities will take place within the PRIN project "Farms on the move. Rethinking the geographies of transhumance's community-based economies: a more-than-human approach", PI Annalisa Colombino. The researcher will participate in activities aimed at analysing transhumance (in mountainous areas of Abruzzo and Piedmont) from a more-than-human perspective to re-conceptualise it as a 'diverse economy' by exploring human-animal relations emerging in this agro-pastoral practice. The researcher will collaborate with the other units (University of Eastern Piedmont, leader: Giacomo Pettenati and GSSI, leader: Ugo Rossi) to carry out research that adopts a multi-species ethnographic approach combining qualitative methods with desk research (e.g. literature reviews and digital ethnography), semi-structured and narrative interviews, fieldwork involving participatory observation of animals in transhumance and visual methods, including body mapping and/or other creative methods. The post holder will also contribute to the dissemination of preliminary research results through participation in national and international conferences, by authoring and co-authoring papers in peer-reviewed national and international journals, and by coordinating and implementing dissemination activities for policymakers and a more general non-academic public. It is desirable, but not necessary, familiarity with the international debate in more-than-human geographies, and/or human-animal studies, and/or animal geographies and/or diverse economies.



Who can apply

Prospective candidates are expected to hold a master's degree in the subjects of the research, or related disciplines.

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.

Favoured headlines

- PhD related to the research activities described in the abstract;
- the completion of attendance at a doctoral course while awaiting conferment of the degree and with the subject of the Announcement.
Ph.D. and completion of attendance at a doctoral program, while awaiting conferral of the title, in *geography, anthropology, sociology, architecture, agroecology, agro-food studies, or other social sciences and humanities (particularly environmental humanities)* are preferred over other doctoral degrees
- master's degree or Ph.D degree in *geography, anthropology, sociology, architecture, agro-economics, agro-food studies or other social and humanistic sciences (in particular environmental humanities)*
- Experience with publishing peer-reviewed articles in international academic journals.
- specialisation diplomas and attendance certificates at post-graduate specialization courses, obtained both in Italy or abroad, documented research activity in public and private organisations with contracts, study grants or assignments both in Italy and abroad;

During the interview, knowledge of English as a foreign language will be tested.

Duration of contract: 12 months (approximately starting on November 2023).

Stipend: The research fellowship amounts to **Euro 19.541,00.=**per year, gross to the recipient, net of the expenses to be sustained by the Provider. The amount may be subject to adjustment in the event of variations in the law.

Deadline for submission of applications: by and no later than 2023.10.13, h. 12:00 noon – local time.

If the deadline is on Saturday or on holidays, the deadline is extended to the first working day thereafter.

How to apply:

Candidates should 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. (<http://www.unive.it/pag/28830>)

3. A copy of a valid identity document (either Identity Card or Passport);
4. 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;
5. Master's Degree or Old Master's Degree or equivalent foreign qualification;
6. If available, Doctoral degree;
7. Declaration on availability to held the interview in remote (<https://www.unive.it/pag/28830>) to be send via email at the following address: simar@unive.it:
8. (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;
9. All documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure (please, see the notice <http://www.unive.it/data/28825/>).

All the schemes of the quoted documentation are available on the website

<http://www.unive.it/pag/28830>.

How to submit your application

Applications should be submitted by the online procedure, available on the notice webpage <http://www.unive.it/data/28825/>

Or submit here:

<https://apps.unive.it/domandeconcorso-en/accesso/dec-colombinoprin22-20092023>

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 **2023.10.13, h. 12:00 noon – local time.**

If the deadline is on Saturday or on holidays, the deadline is extended to the first working day thereafter.

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.

Selection procedure

The interview will be on **2023.10.23, at 10.00 AM**.

The short-list of the candidates admitted to the interview, or any postponement, will be published on the University's webpage on **2023.10.18** (<http://www.unive.it/data/28899/>).

The interview will be held in remote only. Further details on how to connect online will be published alongside the convocation notice.

The **interview** will focus on knowledge of the following topics:

- qualitative and creative research methods, human-animal studies, animal geographies, diverse economies, transhumance.
- check eventual candidate's previous experience suitable for carrying out the research activities described in the notice.

Modalities for monitoring and evaluating the activity carried out by check holders

At the end of the period of duration of the grant and in any case at the end of each year, in the case of multi-year grants, the researcher is required to submit to the structure a written report on the research activity carried out.

At the end of the research activity, the researcher must provide the department with the following scientific products that define a "minimum standard of result":

- a paper accepted for publication in an A-level journal in geography (11/B1).

Information and contacts

Candidates may find further details about the application process and the research project in the official call published on the following webpage <http://www.unive.it/data/28825/>

For further information please contact: Segreteria Amministrativa del Dipartimento di Economia, phone number: 041-2349173; e-mail: simar@unive.it