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Research fellowship on Political ecology of Asia and Africa - Università Ca' Foscari Venezia
(Italian law 30 December 2010, n.240, art. 22 and subsequent amendments and additions)

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 Asian and North African Studies at Università Ca' Foscari Venezia invites applications for a fellowship in:

- **Title:** Political ecology of Asia and Africa
- **SSD e/o settore concorsuale:** SPS/10, M-DEA/01
- **Responsabile scientifico e tutor:** Prof. Daniele Brombal
- **Durata:** 12 mesi
- **Abstract:** The research fellow will contribute to research done at the Laboratory on Area Studies for Sustainability Transformations (LAST Lab), based at the Department of Asian and North African Studies. LAST Lab aims at broadening our understanding on how to leverage relational elements to regenerate social-ecological systems. The Lab is organized in two transdisciplinary clusters, focusing respectively on eco-linguistics research and on the study of political ecologies of Asia and Africa.

The successful candidate will join the latter cluster (political ecology), being entrusted with research duties about the potential of environmental movements and community activism in promoting social-ecological transformations. The research work will investigate primarily the role played by ethics and emotions in sustaining processes of change in how humans relate to and deal with the rest of nature. Activities will include both desk study and participatory research.

The successful candidate will also contribute to the scientific planning and harvesting of the third edition of the "Cansiglio Forest Scientific Retreat", focused on the social-ecological implications of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). He/she will also engage with research-driven capacity building activities, carried out by LAST Lab to support CF's efforts in the field of environmental humanities within the EUTOPIA network.

Evaluation of candidates will be based on the following criteria: research and work experience; previous teamwork experience; publications; language skills. Having a PhD is an important asset but is not compulsory.

The interview will cover the following topics: previous experiences relevant to LAST lab goals; possible contribution brought by the candidate to fulfill the position assignments; methodological skills. The interview will be conducted in English language.

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 Università Ca' Foscari Venezia.

Who can apply

Prospective candidates are expected to hold a master's degree and a suitable CV for the requested research activities.

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



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Research) or similar funded projects are warmly encouraged to apply.

Duration of contract: 12 months (approximately starting: April 1st, 2024).

Stipend: The research fellowship amounts to 19.500,00 Euros per year, including taxes and social charges.

Deadline for submission of applications: February 15th, 2024, 12.00 noon

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. ([link](#))
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. (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;
6. A short list of publications;
7. All documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure (please, see the notice [link](#)).

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

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/dsaameccbro231> **By inserting their Italian Tax Code.**

Foreign citizens not yet in possession of the Italian Tax Code can use the following link <https://apps.unive.it/utills/cf> to obtain a temporary one and be able to proceed with the request.

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 February 15th, 2024, 12.00 noon.

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 short-list of the candidates admitted to the interview and the related calendar, or any postponement, will



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be published on the University's webpage on February 28th, 2024 ([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 email: ricerca.dsaam@unive.it