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Call for applications: selection procedure for n. 1 (one) Short-term Research Fellowship for specific research programme

Ca' Foscari University of Venice – Venice School of Management

Project title “Enhance enogastronomy heritage to establish and expand sustainable tourism”, acronym “TESTEAT”, project code ITHR0200324, CUP H75E23000170006, approved and funded by INTERREG VI A Italy-Croatia CBC Programme 2021-2027

The present document in English is to be considered as a mere translation of the provisions of the call which is available in Italian at the following links: <https://www.unive.it/data/12122/>- <https://www.unive.it/data/17431/>. 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.

Having regard to	the Italian Law no. 240 of December of 30th 2010 and in particular art. 18 DL 19/2012;
Having regard to	the University Regulations for awarding Short-term Research fellowships, issued under DR n. 300/2014 of 14/04/2014 and subsequent amendments and additions;
Having regard to	the project entitled “Enhance enogastronomy heritage to establish and expand sustainable tourism”, acronym “ TESTEAT ”, project code ITHR0200324, CUP H75E23000170006, approved and funded by INTERREG VI A Italy-Croatia CBC Programme 2021-2027, with a duration of 30 months from 01/02/2024 until 31/07/2026, unless extended;
Having regard to	professor Francesca Checchinato's request (prot. no. 0077791 dated 10/03/2025) to announce a selection procedure in order to assign n. 1 (one) Short-term Research Fellowship, entitled “ Junior Project researcher 3 - Key factors for developing an innovative enogastronomy proposal ”, lasting 12 (twelve) months, to carry out the research activities within the framework of the aforementioned project;
Having regard to	the Director's Decree (rep. no. 250/2025 - prot. no. 0078759 dated 11/03/2025) authorising the above-mentioned request;
Verified	the financial backing for the costs of the short-term research fellowship, with the project “TESTEAT”'s funds;
Having regard to	the Subsidy Contract (rep. no. 1767/2024 - prot. no. 163479 dated 02/07/2024) between the Programme Managing Authority and the Lead Partner of the project, AZRRI - Agency for Rural Development of Istria Ltd Pazin;

Ca' Foscari University of Venice – Venice School of Management, as specified in the introduction, hereby calls for applications for n. 1 (one) Short-term Research fellowship entitled “**Junior Project researcher 3 - Key factors for developing an innovative enogastronomy proposal**”, lasting 12 (twelve) months, within the scope of the Research Project entitled “Enhance enogastronomy heritage to establish and expand sustainable tourism”, acronym “**TESTEAT**”, project code ITHR0200324, CUP H75E23000170006, **Scientific Coordinator and Tutor prof. Francesca Checchinato**.

Short-term Research Fellowship: “Junior Project researcher 3 - Key factors for developing an innovative enogastronomy proposal”, lasting 12 (twelve) months, for a total amount of 19.367,00 euros.

The research fellow must perform the following research:

ABSTRACT

The Covid19 pandemic has hit Italian and Croatian tourism hard and highlighted the sector's weaknesses, including environmental and social sustainability, labor market imbalance and excessive dependence on seasonal



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tourist flows. Enogastronomy can play a key role in increasing the resilience and competitiveness of the tourism sector, reducing its social and environmental impact, and improving the quality of life of local communities. The TESTEAT project aims to enhance the role of food and wine heritage to promote sustainable socio-economic and cultural development of the cross-border area. The project will give shape to an innovative and integrated cross-border tourist offer through the joint valorisation of the Italian and Croatian food and wine heritage. In the broader framework of the project, the short-term fellowship research grant will be used for an analysis of the dimensions that characterize the food and wine offer of a tourist destination and for data collection aimed at mapping the situation of the city of Venice and Veneto Region. The analysis of the data collected must allow to highlight strengths and weaknesses and outline possible solutions, in order to enhance and, at the same time, make the city and Region's food and wine heritage more sustainable.

The scientific coordinator of the project and tutor of the Short-term Research Fellowship is **prof. Francesca Checchinato**.

The research fellow is required to provide the Department with the following documentation:

- **Bi-monthly Reports;**
- **Six-monthly Reports;**
- **Final Report**, by the end of the fellowship, which has to be approved by the professor, tutor of the Short-term Research Fellowship and will be submitted for examination to the Departmental Board.

The above-mentioned documentation is merely an example and is not exhaustive since it may be subject to change based on the requests of the financing Programme.

Duration of the Short-term Research Fellowship: 12 (twelve) months, indicatively starting in May 2025.

Amount: The research fellowship amounts to € 19.367,00 (euro nineteen thousand three hundred and sixty-seven//00), exempt from IRPEF (personal income tax) and IRAP (regional tax on productive activities).

The amount, **paid in deferred bimonthly instalments**, is understood to include any costs relating to the undertaking of the research envisaged by the project. **The monthly amount shall only be approved and awarded for whole months completed; amounts for months not completed shall not be awarded.**

Deadline for submission of applications: not later than noon time (12:00 Rome CET) of Tuesday, April 01, 2025.

In case the deadline is on Saturdays, Sundays or on holidays, it is extended to the first working day thereafter.

Who can apply (according to art. 3 of the University Regulations for awarding short-term research fellowships)

Applications are open to all EU citizens and non-EU citizens who hold:

- **Bachelor's degree or Master's degree or equivalent title according to the Italian law, or equivalent qualification obtained abroad in Economics or Business studies.** Qualifications obtained abroad will be examined by the Committee, which may consider them as being equivalent for the purposes of admission, without prejudice to the current legislation.

Required skills:

- **Perfect knowledge of the Italian language;**
- Knowledge of English language at A2 level or higher;
- Research activities and professional experiences relevant to the subjects of the call;
- Organizational skills for support in the management of teams of professionals and events;
- Research activities through qualitative methodologies.

Please note that the applicant shall attach any documents, language certificates, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure.



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Those who have a degree of kinship or affinity, up to and including the fourth degree, with any professor belonging to the Department or facility issuing the call, or with the Rector, the General Manager or a member of the University Board of Directors, cannot participate to the selection.

The requirements must be held by the deadline for this call for applications.

Candidates are admitted to the selection conditionally; they may be excluded from the call at any time should they fail to meet the predefined requirements, even after the selection process is complete, with just cause and notification sent to the person concerned.

Incompatibility (according to art. 12 of the University Regulations for awarding short-term research fellowships)

The short-term research fellowship may not overlap with:

- other scholarships granted in any capacity, apart from those granted by national or foreign research institutes in order to integrate with periods abroad the specific activity foreseen by the work plan of the appointed fellow;
- attendance of PhD courses with scholarship and medical specialization, in Italy and abroad;
- research grants "assegni di ricerca".

Fellowship holders may carry out self-employed work or occasional or permanent collaborations, as long as this is coherent with the ongoing research, upon approval and on the condition that:

- does not involve a conflict of interest with the specific research activity carried out;
- does not prejudice the university, in relation to the activities carried out.

Subordinate employment contracts holders, in addition to obtaining permission by the university, must provide the authorization of their employer.

In the specific case that the subordinate employment contract started prior to the awarding of the fellowship, compatibility with the existing employment will have to be assessed; if the assessment yields a negative result, the short research fellowship will not be awarded; in the case of a positive result, the successful candidate will have to provide the authorization of his/her employer **within 15 days**.

In the event that the subordinate employment contract will start once the fellowship is ongoing, the successful applicant is required to notify this change at least 30 days before the start of the employment contract for an assessment of compatibility; if the assessment is negative, the fellowship will cease by the start of the employment contract; in the event of a positive outcome, the successful applicant must provide the authorization of his/her employer **within 15 days**.

The awarding of the short-term research fellowship does not imply the establishment of any employment contract, nor does it give rise to any rights of access to positions of employment at the university.

How to apply: (according to art. 5 of the University Regulations for awarding short-term research fellowships)

Candidates must submit:

a) the **attached application form, duly dated and signed**. The application form is available on the Department website <https://www.unive.it/data/29520/> and on the University website <https://www.unive.it/data/28824/>.

Applicants must declare in the application form, under their own responsibility:

- **educational qualification held. Candidates in possession of a qualification obtained abroad must also submit a copy of the foreign title with a translation in Italian or English language including marks obtained, accompanied by a self-declaration relating to the conformity to the original of the translation itself.** The candidate who has been awarded a **Diploma Supplement**, may not submit any other documentation, provided that the DS provides a complete description of the nature, level, academic system and status of the studies carried out. In any case, it is advised to submit any other document useful to the evaluation of the academic title obtained;
- nationality (the possession of a residence permit valid at the deadline of the call for applications, in case he/she is a non-European citizen residing in Italy);



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- to be medically fit to discharge his/her duties for the fellowship;
- to be aware that the awarding of the short-term research fellowship is not compatible with the positions referred to in art. 12 of the Regulations for short-term research fellowships and the current legislation;
- not to have received measures restricting personal freedom at the time of submitting the application;
- not to have any degree of kinship or affinity, up to and including the fourth degree, with a professor belonging to the Department or to the facility issuing the call for applications, or with the Rector, the General Manager or a member of the University Board of Directors and to be aware of the relevant provisions of Law 240/2010. Article 18, par. 1, lett b);
- any benefit under L. 104/92.

b) their **Curriculum Vitae in European format** (available online at this [link](#)) **duly dated and signed**. The CV must specify the educational qualification held by the candidate and a detailed description of his/her scientific-professional qualifications. In addition, the CV must contain the following declarations:

1) **the declaration made pursuant to the Italian D.P.R 445/2000 and subsequent amendments and additions, that the information provided corresponds to the truth;**

2) **the authorization to the processing of personal data for the purposes related to this selection procedure, made pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 196/2003 and Article 13 of the GDPR (EU Regulation 2016/679).**

c) **a copy of a valid identity document (e.g. Identity Card or Passport);**

d) all documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure.

Applicants must prove the possession of qualifications (excluding publications) with declarations as per the Decree No. 445/2000.

The absence or inaccuracy of the declarations in points a), b), c) and d) will result in exclusion from the selection.

The University carries out random checks on the truthfulness of what the candidates declare in their applications and resumes.

Should the above check reveal that the contents of the declaration are not true, the declarant shall forfeit any benefits arising from the measure issued on the basis of the untrue declaration, without prejudice to the provisions of the Criminal Code and special laws on the subject.

How to submit your application:

Applications should be submitted:

1) **sent via Certified Email** to the address protocollo@pec.unive.it indicating the following subject: **“BRic TESTEAT - 12 mesi”**. It should be noted that the validity of this sending, as established by current legislation, is subject to the use of a certified email address. Sending from a simple/ordinary email inbox will therefore not be considered valid, even if addressed to the PEC of Ca' Foscari University of Venice. **Only documents in PDF/A format must be attached;**

2) **sent via email** to the address ricerca.management@unive.it specifying in the subject of the email: **“BRic TESTEAT - 12 mesi”**. In this case, the candidate assumes responsibility for any failure to deliver the application and its annexes. The University assumes no responsibility for cases of dispersion of communications sent via non-certified email. **Only documents in PDF/A format must be attached.**

Selection and Evaluation Procedure

A Selection Committee is appointed by order of the Director of the Department, in accordance with art. 7 of the Regulations, taking into account, where possible, gender balance. The selection is made by **assessment of the scientific-professional qualifications of the candidates, followed by an interview, to be held via teleconference. The interviews phase is scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2025, via GMEET platform.**

The short list of candidates admitted to the interview and eventual postponements will be published online on



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Monday, April 07, 2025 on the specific Department web page at <https://www.unive.it/data/29521/> and <http://www.unive.it/data/17432/> and on the University website at <http://www.unive.it/data/28900/> and <http://www.unive.it/data/12136/>. The publication of the aforementioned calendar, list and announcements have the value of notification. Shortlisted candidates are therefore required to connect, with the valid identification document presented during the application phase, on the day and at the time specified in the public notice.

The absence of a candidate from the interview will be considered to all intents and purposes as a waiver, whatever the cause.

Please note that proficiency in Italian and English languages will be assessed by the selection committee during the interview of admitted candidates.

The Selection Committee:

- I. can award a total of 100 points, to be allocated according to qualifications and interview;
- II. on the basis of the scores given, the Selection Committee shall define a final ranking of merit;
- III. names the winner. In the event of a tie, priority shall be granted to the younger of the two candidates.

The Selection Committee shall submit a selection report to the Director, who, after verifying the legitimacy of the records, shall approve them and award the short-term research fellowship.

Awarding of the short-term research fellowship

Having received the selection documents and at the outcome of the checks, the Director approves, by her decree, the ranking list and the selection procedure reports and makes them public.

Notification, including the start date of the short-term research fellowship, shall be sent to the winning candidate.

The winner must accept the short-term research fellowship within seven days of receipt of the written notification referred to above, under penalty of revocation. In the event of withdrawal, the short-term research fellowship shall be awarded to the next available candidate, following the order of the final ranking of merit.

Publication of the results of all the selection phases shall be published in the online University's notice Board - Albo on line <http://www.unive.it/data/30402/>, on the Department web page <https://www.unive.it/data/29521/> and <http://www.unive.it/data/17432/> and on the University website <http://www.unive.it/data/12136/> and <https://www.unive.it/data/28900/>

Access to the selection documents is guaranteed pursuant to the law no. 241 of August 7th 1990, and subsequent amendments and additions and relative internal implementation regulation.

The Department reserves the right to cancel the procedure and/or not to proceed with the stipulation of the "Declaration of Acceptance" of the short-term research fellowship with the winning person, if for any reason the interest in the research ceases.

Processing of personal data

Personal data provided by the candidates in their applications for participation in the selection procedures, are processed pursuant to the legislative decree no. 196 of June 30th 2003, and subsequent amendments and additions and to the EU Regulations 2016/679. Comprehensive information on personal data processing can be found here <https://www.unive.it/pag/36550/>.



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Person in charge of the procedure

Pursuant to the provisions of art. 5 of the law no. 241 of August 7th 1990, and subsequent amendments and additions, the person in charge of the administrative procedure for this selection is Sonia Pastrello, Executive Officer of the Venice School of Management.

Final provisions

For anything not specified in this call, see the University of Venice's current regulations regarding the awarding for research fellowships and the current legislation.

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The Head of the Venice School of Management
Prof. Anna Comacchio

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The person in charge of the procedure,
Executive Officer of the Venice School of Management,
Sonia Pastrello.