Call for PhD positions at the Doctoral School of Social Sciences,

PhD Programmes in

“Economics and Management”,
“Sociology and Social Research”
and “Sustainability: Economics, Environment, Management and Society”

Academic Year 2020-2021 (36th cycle)

N.B. Please note that only the Italian version of the present call issued with Rector’s Decree n. 264 of April 7, 2020 is legally binding, the English version is provided for information only.
Art. 1 – PURPOSE OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT

This Announcement regulates the selection for admission to Academic Year 2020-2021 (36th cycle) of the following PhD Programmes:

- Economics and Management;
- Sociology and Social Research;
- Sustainability: Economics, Environment, Management and Society (SUSTEEMS)

Deadline for application: June 3 2020 - 4:00 p.m. (Italian time)

Places and Scholarships: see attachment 1

Start of the Academic Year: November 1, 2020

Duration:
- Economics and Management: 4 years
- Sociology and Social Research: 4 years
- Sustainability: Economics, Environment, Management and Society (SUSTEEMS): 3 years

Official language of the PhD Programme: English

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Webpage about rights and duties of PhD students: http://www.unitn.it/en/node/52919

Art. 2 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. The admission to one of the above-mentioned Doctoral Programmes follows a public selection according to the conditions set in Attachment “1” of the Call. For each Doctoral Programme listed above in art. 1 the file entails: scientific areas, research areas, structure of the Programme, doctoral positions, requirements for the admission, Programme of the examination, assessment criteria.

2. The submission of the application, as set forth in article 4, entails acceptance of the regulations of this announcement by the candidate. Failure to accomplish with this announcement regulations drives to the exclusion from the selection procedure. Attachments are part of the call.

3. Any further change or addition to the present call will be published on the selection’s website.


5. The number of places covered by scholarships and/or by internship contracts and by other potential financial support may be augmented with funds from other universities, public research bodies or prestigious private companies, made available after the publication of this announcement and before the first step of the selection process. Any increase in the number of scholarships or other means of financial support shall result in a corresponding increase in the total number of available places. Such occurrence will be communicated on line, and nowhere else.
IMPORTANT:

6. The results of the selection process will be published at the selection’s webpage, together with the list of applicants (using their application ID) that are not admitted to the selection after a formal check or after the evaluation of the foreign qualifications. No personal note will be sent to candidates. The University of Trento website is the only official source of information on the selection process.

Instructions pertaining to the date, time and location of the oral examination/interview will be published at least 20 days before they take place on the selection’s webpage. Failure to present the candidate, for whatever reason, on the day, at the time and place of the scheduled tests is considered as a withdrawal from participation in the selection. Any changes to the date and/or location of the examinations will be published on the same web page.

7. Without prejudice to the provisions of co. 6 of this article and art. 6 co. 1 of this announcement, any notices relating to the competition will be sent via e-mail to the e-mail address indicated in the “Email address for notification” section of the application. It is therefore advisable to regularly check the personal inbox and inform the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (phd.office-cssh@unitn.it) of any changes to the email address compared to that reported in the online application.

Art. 3 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Applications for admission to the selection process are accepted from candidates regardless of gender, age and nationality, who hold:
   a) an Italian “Laurea Magistrale” (Master’s Degree) or degree issued in accordance with the regulations in force prior to Ministerial Decree no. 509 of 3 November 1999, amended by Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22 October 2004;
   b) or a second level university degree awarded by an Italian “AFAM” Institute (Artistic and Musical Higher Education);
   c) or an equivalent degree qualification obtained abroad (Master’s degree) at an officially recognized academic institution and which is considered suitable by the Admission Committee for the sole purpose of the admission to the PhD Programme. The degree must be equivalent to the Italian ‘Laurea Magistrale’ (Master's Degree), in terms of duration, level and subject area and must allow the access to an academic course equivalent to the PhD in the country/higher education system of provenance.

2. Applications are also accepted from candidates who do not hold the required degree but expect to obtain it by October 31, 2020.

In this case admission to the PhD Course will be subject to confirmation. The candidate must submit the certificate proving the obtained qualification or self-certification (using Form A) to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it; fax n. + 39 0461 282191) no later than November 6, 2020. Failure to provide the certificate by this date will lead to exclusion.

3. Candidates holding a foreign qualification that has already been declared equivalent to an Italian degree have to upload the Rectoral Decree of the Italian University that has issued the academic qualification in the application. If the degree has not yet been declared equivalent, the specific documentation described in article 4 must be uploaded.

4. It is in the applicant’s interest to provide relevant and useful information for evaluation, especially if the higher education system of the country where the title was obtained is not comparable with the Italian one. The committee has the right to request additional information to assess the applicant’s eligibility.

5. Candidates who have already obtained a PhD degree can apply for a second PhD Programme only if the main research topics and scientific-disciplinary fields of the Doctorate programme for which the title was obtained are different. For applicants who have already benefited - even partially - from a doctoral scholarship the admission to the new PhD Programme can’t be covered by a scholarship.

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1 The eligibility of a foreign academic degree will be assessed by the Admission Committee, following the rules in force or the academic degrees’ recognition international treaties.

2 For more information on the Italian University system visit the webpage: http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/study/new-degrees.html

3 Opinion from the National University Council (CUN) of 20 March 2008; Note from the Ministry of Education University and Research (MIUR) of 14 September 2010 n. 1746; art.6 par.2 of Law n.398 of 1989 “Regulations about university scholarships”.

Translation of Announcement no. 264 issued on April 7, 2020
At the selection’s webpage will be available the ID candidates list whose academic degree has been considered not eligible for the admission selection by the Admission Committee.

Art. 4 – APPLICATION

1. Applications must be successfully submitted by June 3, 2020 - 4:00 p.m. (Italian time). Candidates have to complete the on-line application and upload all the required attachments available on http://www.unitn.it/en/apply/dott.

2. Applicants who do not already have a UniTrento account must register on the University’s website at http://www.unitn.it/en/account.

3. Participation in the selection process is subject to the payment of a non-reimbursable application fee of €15.00 by credit card, as indicated in the appropriate section of the application online (‘Selection participation fee’).

4. Administration highly recommends that candidates make sure to have received the notification email confirming that their application has been successfully completed and submitted. Unit Trento refuses any responsibility for all those applications online not properly closed by candidates.

5. Candidates will be considered totally responsible of the successful submission of their applications (candidates must check to have received the email of confirmation). Incomplete or irregular applications, or applications transmitted in ways other than those set out in this article, shall not be considered valid and candidates will consequently be excluded from selection process.

6. All applicants are admitted to the selection conditionally upon ascertaining that they fulfill the admission requirements. The University of Trento has the right to verify the documents delivered pursuant to articles 71 et seq. of the Presidential Decree n. 445 of the 28.12.2000.

7. A candidate whose degree submitted does not satisfy the requirements specified in the art. 3 or the information provided in the application is not true, may be excluded from the selective procedure at any time, even after enrolment and the beginning of the PhD course.

8. According to Italian Law n. 104/92, Art. 20 and to Italian Law n. 68/99, Art. 16 (1), applicants with special needs or with learning disabilities, in accordance with their particular disability may explicitly request in their application special assistance or extra time during the examinations. In this case personal data will be processed in compliance with the current law as indicated in the GDPR Privacy notice (see art. 11).

9. For all purposes in law, the application is considered to be a self-declaration of personal details and information provided.

10. The candidate shall choose only one Doctoral Programme among “Economics and Management”, “Sociology and Social Research” and “Sustainability: Economics, Environment, Management and Society (SUSTEEMS)”.

11. MANDATORY ATTACHMENTS (candidates will be excluded from the selection process if one or more of the obligatory attachments are missing):

1. Identity document (ID):
   - A copy of the identity card (for EU citizens) or of the passport (pages with photo, personal data, place and time of issue of the document, signature, expiration date of the document);

2. Copy of the university degree:
   a) applicants with an Italian degree:
      - a self-declaration (by using Form A) stating:
        - the possession of the degree (see Art. 2),
        - type of degree (“classe di Laurea”),

Candidates are invited to not wait until the last few days before the deadline for the submission of the application. It may take up to two working days to receive the ID.

The University of Trento accepts cards from the following circuits: Pagobancomat, Cartasi (Visa, V-Pay, Maestro, MasterCard), BankAmericard-Key Client.

List of applicants not admitted to the selections will be published at the selection’s webpage (using ID numbers).
Applicants who are expected to graduate by October 31, 2020:

- a certificate of enrolment, a list of examinations, date taken, credits and grades obtained and the degree expected date by using Form A. Applicants from the University of Trento must only declare the degree expected date. The University of Trento will provide any additional information about the applicant’s qualifications;

- a statement from the thesis supervisor, or other academic or administrative responsible, declaring that the student will complete his/her university degree by October 31, 2020.

b) applicants with a foreign degree:

- a degree’s certificate, stating the 2nd level degree obtained (see art.3 co.1) provided by the University which issued the degree, specifying the type of degree, the graduation date and the related score;

- list of exams (Academic Transcript of Records of Master’s degree) with credits (if provided) and marks with the relates Rating Scale; if the academic career occurred with first and second level university degrees then also the first level degree certificate (Bachelor’s degree) and the list of exams in order to obtain the relative title (Academic Transcript of Records di Bachelor’s degree).

If the language of the above-mentioned documents is different from English, the applicant will have to submit a translation in Italian or in English, which can be done by the candidate under her/his own responsibility, in order to allow the Admission Committee to evaluate the eligibility of the degree, for the sole purpose of participation participating in this admissions process.

In addition, if available, also the following documents:

- Academic degree (diploma) of the required title (Master of Science/Art or equivalent) in the original language;

- Diploma Supplement7 (according to the model developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO / CEPES), or:

- Declaration of value8 which certifies that the educational qualification is valid in the country of achievement for being admitted to a Doctoral programme (third level of higher education according to the Bologna Process - European Higher Education Area; EQF level 8), or:

- Statement of comparability - university qualification9 awarded by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA) that contains all the information necessary for the evaluation of the qualification.

Applicants who are expected to graduate by October 31, 2020:

- enrolment certificate of the Master’s Programme (see art. 3 co.1) with the list of passed examinations, the related credits (if provided), the corresponding mark and the Rating Scale (Transcript of Records).

- If the university course is divided into 1st and 2nd level, the Bachelor’s degree as well as the list of exams taken to obtain the aforementioned degree (Academic Transcript of Bachelor’s Degree) should also be attached.

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7 The Diploma Supplement is a document attached to the final qualification, intended to improve international “transparency” and to facilitate academic and professional qualification recognition (diplomas, degrees, certificates etc.). The Diploma Supplement must be issued by the same institution which has given the diploma. See: http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/sistema-italiano-di-istruzione-superiore/diploma-supplement.aspx


If the language in which the certificates are issued is not English, the applicant will have to submit a translation in Italian or in English carried out by the same candidate under his/her own responsibility;

- a statement from the thesis supervisor or other academic or administrative responsible, declaring that the student will complete his/her university degree by October 31, 2020.

3) **curriculum vitae et studiorum**, including any research skills obtained by the applicants and any other academic degrees (2nd level Masters, PhD degrees, specializations, other high school education, etc.);

4) a short **research proposal in English** (about 3000 words, excluding abstract and bibliography, if applicable). **Each candidate can only submit one proposal**, which must include a title and an abstract (about 150 words). Candidates competing for one of the project specific scholarships must submit a proposal whose subject is relevant to the research area of the scholarship. The proposal is only used to thoroughly assess the candidate’s analytical and methodological skills and it is not necessarily expected to be the candidate’s final research project.

Within the PhD Programme in “Economics and Management”, particular emphasis will be given to research proposals on the following subjects:

- *Effects of temporal frames on decisions under risk*
- *Does scarcity matter in consumer decision making?*
- *Financial Networks: estimation and reconstruction approaches to prevent systemic crises.*
- *Micro spatial analysis of firm demography*
- *Modern Surplus Approach. Rethinking Economics: money, credit, time, distribution and productivity*
- *Non-financial disclosure, integrated thinking and sustainable development goals (SDGs)*
- *PMS and social impact measurement in hybrid organizations*
- *The role of top-managers and CEOs for corporate performance and decision-making outcomes.*

Further details are available at the webpage: [https://www.unitn.it/drss/em/824/research-proposals-36th-cycle](https://www.unitn.it/drss/em/824/research-proposals-36th-cycle)

The PhD Programme in “Sociology and Social Research” is open to proposals on all kinds of topics related to Sociological research. Particular attention will be paid to proposals fitting in research areas detailed in the attachment 1.

Within the PhD Programme in [SUSTainability: Economics, Environment, Management and Society (SUSTEEMS)](https://www.unitn.it/) particular emphasis will be given to research proposals on the following subjects:

- *Sustainability, impact evaluation and risk assessment for the natural environment (e.g. climate change), the economy (e.g. green technologies) and the society (e.g. social innovation).*
- *Non-market valuation for sustainability;*
- *The impact of regulations and norms on sustainable development;*
- *Business models in a world of technological and organizational change, and social innovation;*
- *Tools for sustainable management of businesses and territories;*
- *Sustainable development, inequality and poverty.*

Two topic specific scholarships are also offered within the Programme. The topics are the following:

- *Management of sustainability: from projects to social impact assessment*.
- *From the concept to the measurement of social sustainability of a multi-service company with multiple workplaces in the light of the Sustainable Development Goals*.

Further details are available at the webpage: [Project specific scholarship and research proposals 36th cycle](https://www.unitn.it/drss/em/824/research-proposals-36th-cycle)
12. OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS:

- an international certificate attesting the candidate’s knowledge of English at the C1 level or higher in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)\textsuperscript{10} if English is not the candidate’s mother tongue or the candidate has not graduated from a BA or MA programme taught entirely in English.
- list (if applicable) of scientific publications;
- any other qualifications, such as international examinations (GRE or equivalent);
- any other documents which demonstrate the candidates’ skills (awards, scholarships, post-graduate study and research activities and so on);
- reference letters in English or in Italian\textsuperscript{11} (maximum 2).

Candidates can nominate two referees. Within 24 hours of the candidate completing and saving the referee section, the system will send an automatically generated email to the referee, giving instructions on how to complete and send the reference form.

Candidates are advised to make sure that their references are uploaded onto the website no later than the first step of the selection process (see dates and details at the selection’s webpage).

13. If candidates have to upload further documents after the complete closing of their online application procedure, they are required to deliver additional documents within the application’s deadline to the following email address: ateneo@unitn.it (please state in the email subject: “Application ID – Candidate’s Last Name and Name – PhD Programme in ….. –36th cycle – supplement to application”). Additional materials which are not delivered using the specified method shall not be accepted.

Art. 5 – SELECTION’S PROCEDURE

1. The Admission Committees are appointed by the Rector, advised by each PhD Programme Committee. Each Admission Committee is composed of at least three members chosen from among the university’s permanent professors and researchers, including non-Italians, from the academic fields related to the PhD Programme. The Committee may also include a maximum of two other experts, including non-Italians, from either public or private research institutes.

2. Candidates who are not able to attend their interview (and the written exam, only for Sociology and Social Research) in person – whether because they live abroad, or because of serious obstacles – may request, in their online application, that the Commission performs an "offsite examination" by means of a telephone interview/video-conference. In such cases candidates must carefully fill in the relevant section of the online application ("Offsite Examinations") and identify a location, either a university or a diplomatic institution, and the name of an official who can formally identify them before interview. “Offsite examinations” will only be approved by the Admission Committee when they have verified that the written exam and/or the interview are technically feasible, that will occur before the exam, during which time the candidates will be contacted by the School Secretary. To this end candidates are forewarned to be in contact via email on these days.

The Admissions Committee will ascertain that the necessary conditions are satisfied in order to guarantee that the examinations are carried out according to regulations (verification of candidate’s identity and fairness of the exam).

Candidates applying for the PhD programme in Sociology and Social Research are required to fax their written test to the following number +39 0461 282335.

Art. 6 – LIST OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

1. Every Committee draws up a merit-based list of successful applicants\textsuperscript{12} that will be published at the selection’s webpage.

2. Scholarships are assigned to eligible candidates based on:

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\textsuperscript{10} If no English certificate is provided in the application, the English knowledge will be tested during the interview.

\textsuperscript{11} Failure to provide reference forms does not result in the exclusion from the selection procedure.

\textsuperscript{12} Successful candidates will be listed using their application ID. Candidates are therefore requested to take careful note of the application ID generated by the system once they have finished their online application.
a) rank order;
b) candidate’s eligibility for topic-specific grants. Please note that topic-specific grants are assigned following the ranking and until their maximum number is filled. Where possible, according to the preference expressed by the candidate in the application.

3. The candidate who has been awarded a topic-specific grant, must accept it since the choice for a topic-specific grant he/she expressed in the application or to the Committee before the oral examination (in case of scholarships made available after the publication of this call), implies the candidate’s preference for the award of that specific scholarship with respect to the others.
Renouncing the topic-specific grant implies the exclusion of the candidate from the right to enroll in the PhD Programme.
Unassigned topic-specific grants will result in the reduction of positions.

Art. 7 – ADMISSION TO THE DOCTORAL PROGRAMME AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE POSITION

1. Candidates will be admitted to the PhD Programme according to their position in the ranking, until all the available places are filled.
2. Should two candidates obtain the same score:
   - as regards the awarding of the scholarship, the candidates’ economic situations shall be the deciding actor, in accordance with the criteria established by the Law of 9 April 2001 and subsequent amendments and integrations;
   - when neither candidate has applied for a scholarship, the younger of the two candidates will be selected.
3. If a successful candidate withdraws before the beginning of the course (November 1st 2020), the next candidate in the ranking will be admitted.
   This candidate is expected to accept the offer within 8 days of the date of the communication from the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities.
   If a candidate withdraws or is excluded before the end of the first quarter of the first year, the PhD Programme Committee may decide to offer his/her place to the next candidate on the shortlist.
4. Admitted applicants must accept the offer within 8 days, submitting the online application available at the related webpage.
5. Successful applicants holding a foreign qualification must present (if they have not already done under former application ex Art. 4 "Application") to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities, by fax +39 0461 282191, or email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it at least one of the following documents by November 6, 2020:
   ▪ The Master Degree Diploma in original language (Master of Science/Arts or equivalent) or a legal copy, together with the Academic Transcript of Records, including official translations, legalized by the Italian diplomatic or consular representations of the country of the institution that issued it, with the following documents:
   - Diploma Supplement;
   - or the Declaration of Value;
   - or the Statement of comparability - university qualification awarded by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA) that contains all the information necessary for the evaluation of the qualification.
6. Short-listed applicants who do not submit their acceptance within 8 days from when the final ranking is published lose their right to enroll and their position will be offered to the next ranked eligible candidate.

Art. 8 – SUPERNUMERARY POSITIONS

1. In accordance with art. 20, part 3 of the University Regulations regarding PhD Programmes, a number of supernumerary places without scholarships (indicated in Attachment 1) is available to candidates who belong to one of the following categories:
a) foreign nationality, eligible in the general ranking, who are granted scholarships by other entities;

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13 Should the Declaration of Value not be available by the given deadline, the candidate has to produce evidence of the request to the Diplomatic mission. The candidate has to provide the original Declaration of Value as soon as available.
b) shortlisted candidates from countries which have specific inter-governmental agreements with Italy, and with which an ad-hoc agreement with the University is then made, without the University of Trento being required to assume any financial obligations;
c) research fellows (Assegnisti di ricerca) whose contract lasts for a minimum of 24 months as from the starting date of the Programme and researching a subject relevant to the PhD Programme; such relevance has to be determined by the Doctoral Programme Committee;
d) employees in the public sector or in the state legal system. Admission is dependent on candidates being given leave of absence or exceptional leave, in accordance with article 2 of the Law of 13 August 1984, n. 476 and subsequent revisions.

1. Candidates who wish to assert their requirements for supernumerary positions shall request, by submission of appropriate documentation proving their status to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it), their acceptance of such admission also within 8 days starting from the day following publication of the ranking.

2. Acceptance of the supernumerary admission is disposed within the limit of positions indicated in Attachment 1, following the order of the final ranking.

3. After verifying the documents referred to in paragraph 2, the candidates who will be admitted supernumerary will receive email confirmation from the Humanities and Cognitive Sciences Area - PhD Office and must declare acceptance of the position, by using the appropriate procedure online (see art. 7, 4), within 8 days from the day following the day of receipt of such notice.

Art. 9 – ENROLMENT

1. The registration in the doctoral programme will automatically be made official as soon as the PhD Programmes’ requirements verification by the Ministry of Education, University and Research for the 2020/2021 AY has been completed. In case of accreditation not confirmed, candidates who have accepted the position will receive a timely notification via email and the fee for the Right to Education (TDS) will be refunded.

2. To complete the enrolment candidate who has obtained the qualification abroad, upon arrival in Italy, will have to show the official documents (in original or certified copy), relating to the academic path, already anticipated in a scanned form in phase of admission to the competition or during the acceptance of the position, in order to allow the appropriate verification of the validity of the qualifications, also through the national information centers on the recognition of foreign securities belonging to the ENIC-NARIC network. Until such time candidates are admitted to the course with reserve and may be excluded if they do not meet the requirements.

Art. 10 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS TO RESEARCH RESULTS AND PUBLICATIONS

1. Without prejudice to the Italian law on copyright (legislative decree 633/1941 and subsequent amendments), the use of results derived from doctoral research conducted with scholarships financed by external bodies may be subject to restrictions imposed by specific funding agreements; doctoral grant-holders will be informed upon award of the scholarship of any such restrictions.

Art. 11 – PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

1. Pursuant to art. 13 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation), applicants are advised that the University will process their personal data in the public interest only for purposes related to the present PhD selection procedure.

2. The controller of the data processing is the University of Trento (hereinafter “University”), legal headquarters in via Calepina, 14, 38122 Trento (Italy), emails: ateneo@pec.unitn.it; ateneo@unitn.it. The data subjects may contact the Data Protection Officer (DPO or RPD) writing to: via Verdi n. 8, 38122 Trento, email: rpd@unitn.it

15 Neither public employees who have already been awarded PhDs, nor those who have been enrolled on a PhD Programme for at least one academic year (having been granted exceptional leave), are entitled to exceptional leave, either with or without research grants, whatever their subject area.
3. The processing of personal data will be carried out, wholly or in part also by automated means, in compliance with the principles of lawfulness, fairness, transparency, adequacy, relevance and necessity. The personal data provision is a mandatory requirement for participation in the selection procedure. The provision of data related to health and disabilities is not mandatory, but failure in providing entails the impossibility for the University to grant the access to services and to the requested support.

4. At any time, the rights as per art. 15 and seq. of DGPR (access, rectification, erasure, restriction, objection) can be obtained by the University of Trento, without prejudice to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority.

5. The complete GDPR Privacy notice is available at: [https://www.unitn.it/en/node/79953](https://www.unitn.it/en/node/79953).

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Art. 12 – REGULATIONS

2. For matters not explicitly mentioned in the present announcement, please refer to art. 4 of Law n. 210 of 3 July 1998, as amended by art.19 paragraph 1 of Law n. 240 of 30 December 2010, to Ministerial Decree n. 45 of 8 February 2013, to the University Regulations for Doctoral Courses issued by Rector's Decree n. 383 of 4 July 2013 subsequently amended and to the Regulations of the PhD Programmes available at [http://www.unitn.it/drss/node/151](http://www.unitn.it/drss/node/151).

3. The call will be published on the University of Trento, Euraxess and MIUR websites.

4. Potential changes or improvements to the call will be published at the selection’s website.
ATTACHMENT 1

1) PhD Programme in Economics and Management

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Research areas:
- Behavioural Economics
- Management

In the 36th cycle, particular emphasis will be given to research proposals on the following subjects:

- Effects of temporal frames on decisions under risk
- Does scarcity matter in consumer decision making?
- Financial Networks: estimation and reconstruction approaches to prevent systemic crises.
- Micro spatial analysis of firm demography
- Modern Surplus Approach. Rethinking Economics: money, credit, time, distribution and productivity
- Non-financial disclosure, integrated thinking and sustainable development goals (SDGs)
- PMS and social impact measurement in hybrid organizations
- The role of top-managers and CEOs for corporate performance and decision-making outcomes

Further details on research proposals are available at [https://www.unitn.it/drss/em/824/research-proposals-36th-cycle](https://www.unitn.it/drss/em/824/research-proposals-36th-cycle)

The Programme is aimed at forming theoretical and applied researchers in economic and managerial sciences, as well as providing highly qualified professional competences.

The programme offers research training and advanced professional skills in the fields where today's increasing cross-fertilization between economic and managerial studies is more intense such as individual, strategic, and organisational decisions and behaviour; theories and analyses of market processes and dynamics; industrial and technological processes, and innovation management; corporate governance and human resource management; financial markets and corporate finance.

Beside providing solid foundations in the relevant disciplines, the Programme is qualified by its focus on methodologies for rigorous empirical and behavioural approaches to economic and managerial studies, ranging from more traditional techniques to the more recent developments in the experimental and computational fields.

The doctoral programme:

The duration of the programme is 4 years for a total amount of 180 credits.

The doctoral training is the following:

1st year: compulsory attendance of core and elective courses; preparation of the research activity;
2nd year: research project;
3rd year: research;
4th year: research and discussion of the thesis

The Doctoral Programme may offer some preparatory courses and ‘crash courses’ from September 2020. The attendance of the above-mentioned courses will be checked up case by case through individual talks. The Admission Committee may exempt the candidate from the requirement to attend all the first year courses.
Doctoral students are admitted to the 2nd year when they have completed the 1st year coursework and have accomplished the requirements fixed in the Regulations of the Doctoral Programme in Economics and Management here available [http://www.unitn.it/drss/node/151](http://www.unitn.it/drss/node/151). A “Certificate of Advanced Studies in Economics and Management” is awarded upon successful completion of the 1st year.

During their 2nd and 3rd year doctoral students are requested to spend a period of research abroad. Further information on the structure of the Programme and research abroad is available at [https://www.unitn.it/drss/](https://www.unitn.it/drss/).

**Selection Process:**
Selection process is based on candidates’ titles, research project and an interview. Applicants will be shortlisted according to the output of the title assessment as stated in art. 4 of the call. The list of the candidates admitted to the interview will be published at the [selection’s webpage](https://www.unitn.it/drss/). The chosen candidates will be listed using their application ID. Candidates are therefore requested to take careful note of the application ID generated by the system once they have finished their online application. The shortlisted candidates will be interviewed in English in order to assess their competences, research skills and their motivation. If no English certificate at least level C1 has been provided in the application, the candidate’s English knowledge will be tested during the interview.

Applicants must present a valid identification document to be admitted to the interview. Conditions for the off-site interview are ruled in art. 5 of this Call. At the end of the selection procedure the Admission Committee will draw up the ranking of candidates based on the score obtained in the interview.

**Programme of the interview**
The interview will be focused on the basic knowledge of the topics of the Doctoral Programme and the research project, on the previous experiences’ qualifications of the candidates.

**Criteria of assessment**
The selection outcome is given from the evaluation of the interview. The assessment of the titles has no relevance. To be admitted in the overall ranking candidates shall score at least: 60/100.
2) PhD programme in Sociology and Social Research

Places: n. 5  
Scholarships: n. 5 (funded by the University of Trento)  
Places not covered by scholarship: n. 0  
Supernumerary places (art. 8 of the Call): n. 0

The PhD Programme in Sociology and Social Research is open to proposals on all kinds of topics related to Sociological research. Particular attention will be paid to proposals fitting in the following research areas highlighted in the description of the PhD programme, among them:

- social and demographic change;  
- comparative sociology; welfare and social policies;  
- social inequality studies and stratification research (class, education, cohort, gender);  
- economic sociology, labour market and organizational studies;  
- migration studies;  
- political sociology (political participation, social movements, public opinion research);  
- digital sociology;  
- communication and culture;  
- cognitive sociology.

(please refer to the webpage for details)

The Doctoral Programme:
The duration of the Programme is 4 years for a total amount of 180 credits. The Doctoral Programme in Sociology and Social Research aims at forming highly qualified researchers able to do both applied and fundamental research in Universities and scientific research centres or market research institutes.

In particular, the Programme aims to educate professionals that will be able to apply their knowledge in an interdisciplinary fashion, based on the education they acquire during this post-graduate Programme in the various areas covered by the Department of Sociology and Social Research. The PhD programme offers students a stimulating research environment and important opportunities for skills and career development. Our doctoral students usually spend a longer period of research abroad. Besides providing a solid foundation in the discipline, including a broad range of quantitative and qualitative methods, the Programme places a strong emphasis on theoretically driven empirical sociology. The PhD programme consists of a set of shared mandatory courses in the first year and a series of specialized courses and elective seminars in the second year. Topics covered include classical and contemporary sociological theories, various statistical and research methods, as well as substantive issues. Students are encouraged to confront themselves with theories, approaches and methodologies of all social sciences. Courses on academic writing are offered as well. The course programme involves international visiting scholars, we offer the opportunity to participate in various summer/winter schools, and there is a rich programme of seminars and conferences organized by the department or school.


The Doctoral Programme may offer some preparatory courses and ‘crash courses’ of specialization from October 2020.

Further information on the structure of the Programme and research abroad is available on the webpage: https://www.unitn.it/drss/.

Selection process:
A shortlist will be compiled according to the outputs of two assessments:
- titles assessment and evaluation of the research project according to art. 4 of the call;
- multiple choice test.

The multiple choice test assessed the basic knowledge of the candidates on methodology and techniques adopted in social research.


After the titles assessment and the research project evaluation, the list of the shortlisted candidates will be posted at the selection's webpage.

Once test results will be provided, the list of the candidates admitted to the interview will be posted at the selection's webpage.

The chosen candidates will be listed using their application ID. Candidates are therefore requested to take careful note of the application ID generated by the system once they have finished their online application.

Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed in English in order to assess their competences, research skills and their motivation.

We request C1 level of English competences. If no certificate has been provided with the application, candidate’s English knowledge will be tested during the interview.

Applicants must present a valid identification document to be admitted to the interview.

Conditions for the multiple-choice test and the off-site interview are ruled in art. 5 of this Call.

The Admission Committee compiles a ranking list according to the results of the interview.

**Interview**

The interview will assess the candidates’ level of knowledge on the main theoretical and methodological topics of Sociology; the interview will further check up on the research areas the candidates’ presented in their project as well as their connection to the intellectual and professional profile of the candidates.

**Criteria of assessment**

The selection outcome is given from the evaluation of the interview. The assessment of the titles has no relevance.

To be admitted in the overall ranking candidates shall score at least: 60/100.
**3) PhD programme in Sustainability: Economics, Environment, Management and Society (SUSTEEMS)**

**Places:** 5  
**Scholarships:** 5  
- 3 funded by the University of Trento;  
  - 1 funded by Conzorzio Zenit, Cooperativa Sociale Consortile ARL Firenze on the following topic: “Management of sustainability: from projects to social impact assessment”;  
  - 1 funded by GPI Trento on the following topic: “From the concept to the measurement of social sustainability of a multi-service company with multiple workplaces in the light of the Sustainable Development Goals”.

**Places not covered by scholarship:** n. 0  
**Supernumeray places (art. 8 of the Call):** n. 1

The PhD in Sustainability: Economics, Environment, Management and Society (SUSTEEMS) is a rigorous training and research program which will provide PhD students with the know-how to investigate, develop and implement models and methods in the multidisciplinary nexus of economic, environmental and social sustainability. Such methodologies including: sustainable economic models and tools for managing natural resources, sustainable business and management models and tools for companies, institutions, for-profit and non-profit organizations.

Every year the Programme Committee selects a list of research topics covering the three dimensions of sustainability, i.e. the economic, environmental and social dimensions. In the 36th cycle, particular emphasis will be given to research proposals on the following subjects:

- **Sustainability, impact evaluation and risk assessment for the natural environment** (e.g. climate change), the economy (e.g. green technologies) and the society (e.g. social innovation);  
- **Non-market valuation for sustainability;**  
- **The impact of regulations and norms on sustainable development;**  
- **Business models in a world of technological and organizational change, and social innovation;**  
- **Tools for sustainable management of businesses and territories;**  
- **Sustainable development, inequality and poverty.**

Two topic specific scholarships are also offered within the Programme. The topics are the following:

- **Management of sustainability: from projects to social impact assessment**;  
- **From the concept to the measurement of social sustainability of a multi-service company with multiple workplaces in the light of the Sustainable Development Goals**.

Further details on the specific project scholarships are available at: [https://www.unitn.it/drss/820/project-specific-scholarships-36th-cycle](https://www.unitn.it/drss/820/project-specific-scholarships-36th-cycle)

The doctoral Programme is organized over the course of 3 years (and 180 credits) as follows:  
1st year: compulsory attendance of core and elective courses; preparation of the research proposal  
2nd year: research and period abroad (at least 3 months)  
3rd year: research and finalization of the thesis (which will include three research papers).

The teaching activities, aimed at providing advanced knowledge, quantitative and qualitative methods, and management tools to deal with the complexity of research on the multidisciplinary topic of sustainability, is divided into four levels:
1) Courses providing advanced methodological knowledge (joint with other doctoral programs of the Doctoral School of Social Science);

2) Courses providing theoretical knowledge about the three dimensions of sustainability and the tools for sustainable management of natural resources, businesses, institutions and organizations;

3) Elective specialized courses, allowing the PhD student to explore their research interests by choosing from the courses offered by the Departments and Centers involved in the programme;

4) Individualized, in-depth work, which includes seminars, participation in workshops, courses and summer schools offered by the network of partner universities, research centers and higher education consortia in Italy or abroad.

The Doctoral Programme may offer some preparatory courses and ‘crash courses’ from October 2020. The attendance of the above-mentioned courses will be evaluated case by case through individual talks.

Doctoral students are admitted to the 2nd year when they have completed the 1st year coursework and have accomplished the requirements fixed in the Regulations of the Doctoral Programme here available https://www.unitn.it/drss/susteems

Selection Process:
Selection process is based on candidates’ CVs, research project and an interview.
Applicants will be shortlisted by screening their CVs and research proposals as stated in art. 4 of the Call. The shortlisted candidates will be interviewed in English in order to assess their competences, research skills and their motivation.
If no English certificate of at least level C1 will be provided in the application, the candidate’s English knowledge will be tested during the interview.
Applicants must present a valid identification document to be admitted to the interview.
Conditions for the off-campus interview are ruled in art. 5 of this Call.

Programme of the interview
The interview will be focused on the basic knowledge of the themes of the Doctoral Programme, on the research project and on the previous experiences and qualifications of the candidates.

Criteria of assessment
The final selection is based on interview. The assessment of the titles will have no relevance at that point. In order to be admitted to the program, the candidates need an overall score of at least: 60/100.
The list of the candidates admitted to the interview and the final ranking will be published at the selection’s webpage http://www.unitn.it/en/node/1963
ANNEX A

Declaration substituting DEGREE CERTIFICATE
(Article 46 - letters l, m, n - D.P.R. 28 December 2000, No. 445)

To be noted: self-declarations can be delivered only if concerning facts and information which can be verified by an Italian public administration. In case of non-European citizens this is possible only if they are in possession of a valid stay permit, which must be attached to the declaration.

The undersigned ________________________________

place of birth (city+country) ________________________________ date of birth ______________________

official address (street, number, zip code, city, country) ________________________________

Mob. ____________________________ e – mail __________________________________________

aware of the penal sanctions pursuant to Article 76 of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000 for falsifying documents and making mendacious declarations

DECLARES

A) TO HAVE GRADUATED (degree for admission to PhD, click the corresponding box):

Type of degree

- □ Laurea magistrale/specialistica
- □ Italian University degree of the previous regulations in force (vecchio ordinamento)

in: ________________________________

Specialization (Classe di laurea ID code): ________________________________

on ___/___/___ from University of ___ (town) (Italy) with mark ___ out of ___

AND TO HAVE PASSED THE FOLLOWING EXAMS (fill out the following Section C)

Alternately:

B) TO HAVE NOT YET GRADUATED and to be aware that admission to the Doctoral Programme is conditional upon submission of the degree diploma/certificate by the date cited in the announcement.

Graduating in: ________________________________

Specialization (Classe di laurea ID code): ________________________________

University of: ________________________________

in Italy.

Expected graduation date: ________________________________

AND TO HAVE PASSED THE FOLLOWING EXAMS (fill out the following section C)

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ANNEX A

SECTION C: List of exams taken (titles, marks, credits – if available, and dates are mandatory):

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If the university course is divided into first and second level,

I also declare

to have graduated with an Italian University first level degree (Laurea/bachelor’s degree) in  
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Date and place,_____________________________ Signature of the declarant

This declaration is exempt from stamp duty, pursuant to Article 37 of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000.