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## **Award for 15 visiting research fellowships in 15 Italian University Departments**

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**Competition “ACRI- Young Investigators Training Program” “Recent trends in the innovation of financial systems: challenges for regulators and institutions” promoted by the Department of Economics “Marco Biagi”, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia.  
Research areas: Banking, Corporate Finance, Financial Markets and Instruments, Financial Regulation, Financial Engineering.**

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### **Guidelines, selection procedures and deadline**

Competition “ACRI - Young Investigators Training Program” aims to award 15 visiting research fellowships in 15 Italian university departments (see Partners) to as many young investigators of any nationality carrying out research outside Italy, as for the above subject areas.

#### **The fellowship duration is at least one-month**

Each young researcher selected will be assigned to one of the 15 Departments of the 15 partner institutions (the candidate’s research project/activity and the research areas carried out in each Department will be taken into account)

#### **ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS**

Candidates must meet the following requirements:

- being under the age of 40 at the moment of the publication of this call;
- having completed a Ph.D. in Italy or abroad, at the moment of the publication of this call or enclosing a scientific-professional curriculum with appropriate research experience consistent with this competition;
- working at recognized institutions outside Italy (Universities or Research Centers) or having a continuous collaboration with a University or a Research Center abroad (adjunct professor, research contract, research grant, post-doc grant, temporary or permanent teaching post) at



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the moment of the publication of this call. The above requisites will be attested by a reference letter undersigned by a Professor/Tutor of the University or Research center;

- absence of a criminal record;
- having a recognized expertise in one of the following research areas: Banking, Corporate Finance, Financial Markets and Instruments, Financial Regulation, Financial Engineering;
- knowledge of one of the following languages: English, German, French, Italian and Spanish.

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

The deadline for application submission is May 2nd, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. (CET).

Applications must be written by filling the form enclosed in the competition notice (Attachment 1) and include name, surname, place and date of birth, address, telephone number, competition notice information.

They must be submitted by registered letter with attached reply-coupon to the address:

Università degli Studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia  
COMPETITION ACRI "YOUNG INVESTIGATOR TRAINING PROGRAM"  
Dipartimento di Economia "Marco Biagi"

Via Berengario,51 41121 Modena

(evidence shall be constituted by the postmark date)

or sent by e-mail to the following addresses: [wolpertinger2018.acri@unimore.it](mailto:wolpertinger2018.acri@unimore.it);  
[amministrazione.economia@unimore.it](mailto:amministrazione.economia@unimore.it)

The message should state in the object field: COMPETITION ACRI "YOUNG INVESTIGATORS TRAINING PROGRAM" Dipartimento di Economia Marco Biagi.

For any further information please write to prof. Stefano Cosma mail: [stefano.cosma@unimore.it](mailto:stefano.cosma@unimore.it)

Application forms without signature or incomplete or sent after the established deadline will not be admitted.

The application form (Attachment 1) must include

- Bachelor Degree with Final Mark And (Where Applicable) Master's Degree with Final Mark
- Phd Degree
- Scientific Qualifications, Diplomas, Scholarships, Attendance Of Post-Graduate Courses
- Publications (List)
- Curriculum Of Scientific Activities.

The application must also include:

- Academic and professional qualifications above mentioned which must be self-certified (Attachment 2).
- Selection of at least 5 Departments out of the 15 host partner institutions (Attachment 3)



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## **SELECTION PROCESS AND EVALUATION CRITERIA**

The selection process consists of the two phases described below; it is expected to end by May the 31th:

### **1. Administrative eligibility check**

At the closure of the call, all applications received will be checked against the eligibility conditions stated in of this call. The eligibility is checked by an Internal Selecting Committee on the basis of the information provided by the candidate in the application form.

### **2. Scientific evaluation**

The maximum score of 50 points will be allocated by the Internal Selecting Committee. The Committee will assess the applications on the basis of:

- Ph.D., max 10 points;
- scientific and professional CV (post graduate specialization, fellowships, grants), max 20 points;
- scientific publications, competences in the research fields required by this call, max 20 points.

The Internal Selecting Committee will be composed of members appointed by the Department of Economics “Marco Biagi” of the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia.

In accordance with the most advanced international standards and respecting equal opportunities, the members of the Internal Committee will pay attention to ensure diversity among the selected researcher groups (compatible with their quality). This diversity is to be intended in intersectional terms, considering differences in gender, ethnicity, nationality, (dis-)ability, etc.

The final score will be the weighted sum of the score assigned for each criterion. A ranking list will be drawn up and published on the website after 4 weeks from the deadline of applications.

## **OBLIGATIONS OF THE YOUNG RESEARCHERS**

The fellowship involves carrying out the following activities:

1. Participation in 2018 Wolpertinger Conference “Recent trends in the innovation of financial systems: challenges for regulators and institutions” organized by the European Association of University Teachers in Banking and Finance, which will take place in Modena from August, 29<sup>th</sup> to September, 1<sup>st</sup>. [www.wolpertinger2018.unimore.it](http://www.wolpertinger2018.unimore.it)
2. Participation in the research activities of the Department where the candidate will be allocated, under the guidance of her/his tutor and her/his research team, according to the agreement achieved with them. S/he will have to reside there in the period July-December 2018
3. Access to Departmental libraries
4. Other activities may include: presentations/participations in internal seminars, working in teams on papers preparation, collaborations on funding applications for future research projects
5. Submission of a Final Report on the research project/activity to the host department and to the Internal Selecting Committee.

## **THE FELLOWSHIP**



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The awarding of fellowship to the winners will be sent to the email address specified in the application form.

Within 10 days after receiving this communication, the winner must send the acceptance declaration required, otherwise he/she will lose the fellowship.

The gross amount of the fellowship is 3,000.00 Euros (for researchers affiliated to EU institutions) and 4,000.00 Euros (for those affiliated to non-EU institutions). As soon as the winners submit their Final report, payment will be made.

### **ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNING OF THE CONTRACT**

Declarations and certifications of acceptance must be sent by registered letter with attached reply-coupon within ten days from the communication to the following address:

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The winners will be required to formalize the fellowship at the Modena 2018 Wolpertinger Conference [www.wolpertinger2018.unimore.it](http://www.wolpertinger2018.unimore.it)

### **LOSS OF THE RIGHT TO THE FELLOWSHIP AND CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT**

If the contractual agreement is not entered in due time or if the candidate does not complete the above mentioned proceedings, the winner loses any right to the fellowship.

### **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

According to D.L. 196/03, the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia will commit itself to respect all confidential information provided by the candidate: "all information provided will be handled only for aims connected to the selection and to the stipulation and management of the relationship with the University".