



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM
UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA

DEPARTMENT
OF PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY
"AUGUSTO RIGHI"

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 10 VISITING FELLOWSHIPS
AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY "A. RIGHI"-DIFA**

Application deadline: 5th May 2024

With the aim of fostering internationalization and didactic-scientific transversality at the University of Bologna, DIFA is offering **ten Visiting Fellowships - positions at the Department of Physics and Astronomy - for stays up to 1 month, to international scholars/researchers.**

The Fellowship period must be continuous in order to allow a fruitful interaction with the University structures and with students and must be concluded by 31 December 2024.

Total amount tendered: € 12.000 for 10 Visiting Fellowships

Art. 1 - Benefits offered to the Visiting Fellow

A contribution to be chosen between:

- a flat-rate fee (taxed) to cover travel, transport, food and any visa expenses of Euro 1,200.00 for EU or non-EU residents;
- direct reimbursement only of travel expenses incurred and documented up to € 1,200.00 for EU or non-EU residents, in accordance with the University Missions Regulations.

The contribution may be supplemented at the request of the Department's lecturers for projects for which they are responsible.

In addition, also eligible applicants (non-beneficiaries of this call) could be invited at DIFA for a period of mobility to be carried out by 31 July 2025, and professors and researchers of the Department will be able to provide possible compensation or reimbursement of travel and/or accommodation expenses from funds for which they are responsible.



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Art. 2 - Activities of Visiting Fellows at the Department

The Visiting Fellows selected through this procedure, during their stay at DIFA will be involved in teaching, research and/or public engagement initiatives promoted by the Department.

Art. 3 - Duration of mobility and modification of the period of stay at the Department

The duration of the stay may be up to a maximum of 1 month in the period:

- 1 June-31 December 2024 for those found to be beneficiaries of this selection,
- 1 June-31 July 2025 for eligible non-beneficiaries.

It will not be possible to postpone visits beyond 31 December 2024, except for those who are eligible non-beneficiaries, for whom mobility at the Department may end by 31 July 2025.

Any rescheduling of visits for the beneficiaries of this selection will only be possible during the period covered by the notice and must be completed by 31 December 2024.

Art. 4 – How to apply

The application shall include all required documents and shall be uploaded by the candidates

By May 5th 2024 at 11:30 PM (CET)

Candidates must register on the online platform

<https://personale.unibo.it/pol/welcome.htm?siteLanguage=en>.

The application shall be submitted exclusively on-line; any document submitted through other means will not be accepted.

The application shall include:

1. personal and professional data of the Visiting Researcher;
2. a cover letter from a Professor/Researcher of the Department (the list of affiliates to the Department is available here: <https://physics-astronomy.unibo.it/en/department/people/faculty>);



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3. the indication of the reasons concerning the decision to conduct a research stay in Bologna, Professors/Researchers of the DIFA with whom the applicant wants to collaborate, research activities to carry out, including possible title of a seminar;
4. the indication of both the chosen period of stay and an alternative option;
5. a scanned copy of the Visiting Researcher's passport (or other valid identity document);
6. Visiting Researcher's curriculum vitae et studiorum (a list of publication is recommended but not mandatory).

Art. 5 – Award criteria

Applications will be assessed by DIFA's Internationalization Committee.

The Commission will be tasked with the selection of the 10 best applications and the definition of the final ranking list.

Elements required by Art. 4 are subject to evaluation by the members of the Internationalization Commission, which is entrusted with the task of drawing up the ranking list collectively.

The criteria for the formation of the ranking list are:

- scientific excellence of the candidate (up to 30 points);
- relevance of the visit to the Department's aims (up to 30 points);
- balanced representation of all the Department's scientific-disciplinary sectors (up to 40 points).

The outcome of the selection will be announced by means of publication on the Call Portal <https://bandi.unibo.it/> and communication via e-mail to the selected Visiting fellows, at the end of the selection procedure.

Only applications scoring at least 70/100 are eligible to be selected.



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Art. 6 – Acceptance of the Fellowship

Visiting Researchers will be invited through a deliberation adopted by the Head of Department and containing the researchers' first and family names, contacts, dates of stay within the DIFA, description of the planned activities and name of a DIFA's Professor of reference.

Within 10 days of receipt of the invitation letter, the Visiting Researcher is required to formally accept the position by sending a confirmation message to:

clarissa.consaga@unibo.it ccing the hosting professor/researcher.

The invitation will be formalized with a letter from the Department's Head before their arrival.

Art. 7 - Entry practices in Italy for non-EU visiting fellows

The entry and residence in Italy of Visiting Fellows are regulated by Italian laws and by the regulations of the local authorities. Please check the related info here:

<https://www.unibo.it/en/university/international-outreach/international-staff-professors-and-researchers/information-for-international-teaching-and-research-staff-hosted-at-the-university-of-bologna/entry-and-residence-in-italy-for-personal-training-visiting-scholars-from-abroad>

Art. 8 - Insurance cover

Accident insurance is compulsory and Visiting Fellows without such cover must pay the relevant monthly premium to the University.

The Department will provide third party liability insurance (RCT), limited to the activities listed in the contract stipulated with the Visiting Fellow that take place at the University of Bologna facilities.

The insurance fee will be deducted from the amount indicated in Article 1.

The Fellowship does not confer the right to benefit from coverage by the national social and health service. Visiting Fellows are required to provide their own national health and social security cover, as established by the University's rules.



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Art. 9 - Disbursement of the contribution or reimbursement

Disbursement of the contribution (lump sum or direct reimbursement) referred to in Art. 1 shall take place after the conclusion of the mobility, to be communicated to the Department's administration by the DIFA applicant and, in the case of reimbursement, upon presentation of the required documentation, duly completed and signed by the Visiting fellow.

The Department does not guarantee payment of the incentive if all the necessary documentation is not delivered to the Department.

Art. 10 – Publication of the call

This selection notice can be consulted in the Notices section of the Department's website for the entire period of the call for applications.

Art. 11 - Final provisions

For all aspects not regulated by this call for applications, the Italian law and the University of Bologna Statute and Regulations apply.

Art. 12 - Information notice concerning data processing

Personal data collected are processed as described in the "Informativa per i partecipanti a concorsi e selezioni banditi dall'Ateneo" available (in Italian) at: www.unibo.it/privacy

The information note on the processing of personal data can be consulted on the University Portal at <https://www.unibo.it/it/ateneo/privacy-e-note-legali/privacy>.

The information is published in compliance with artt. 13 and 14 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR).

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