

Call for selection 2021 DIN Senior Visiting Fellowship PSSD

Art. 1

Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna (UNIBO) – Department of Industrial Engineering (hereinafter, "DIN" or "Department"), in the framework of PSSD, Progetti di Sviluppo Strategico dei Dipartimenti initiative, promoted by the UNIBO in order to foster the strategic development of the Departments in terms of international partnerships about research and teaching activities, adopted the present call concerning max n. 3 DIN Senior Visiting Fellowships for foreign and Italian scholars that carry out their activities abroad. The applicant awarded with the visiting fellowship will be invited to carry out research activities and perform teaching interventions within the Departments facilities.

In particular, the core aim of the *Fellowship* is to attract researchers/professionals of the highest international reputation in their fields, with the purpose of carrying out research activities and seminar initiatives mainly addressed to Phd students, in order to increase the international profile of the Department and of its Doctorate courses.

Art. 2

Each DIN Senior Visiting Fellow will be entitled to:

- receive a total gross lump sum compensation of 5.000 EUR (the following costs are not
 covered and will not be reimbursed: travel, transfer expenses, room, board and visa costs,
 unless otherwise agreed with the DIN Professor supporting the application);
- the title of "DIN Senior Visiting Fellow";
- be provided with a fully equipped office space, located in one of the DIN compounds (http://www.ingegneriaindustriale.unibo.it/it);
- access to the items and IT resources of the DIN and the Department library.

The DIN Senior Visiting Fellow is required to:

- stay at the Department for a period of **20 to 30 continuative days** within the 12 months following the assignment of the fellowship;
- Teach a seminar course of at least twelve (12) hours addressed to Ph.D students;
- Engage in further educational activities aimed not only at Ph.D students, but also at master and bachelor degree students. These activities are welcome but not mandatory.



Art. 3

The present call for selection is addressed to: both Italian and foreign Professors, experienced Researchers, Professionals of the highest international reputation that carry out their activities abroad. Applicants can be researchers with at least ten (10) years of experience since the completion of their Ph.D.s or Professionals with at least a thirteen (13) years' professional experience by the time of the call deadline.

Art. 4

The length of the stay shall range from **20 to 30 continuative days** within the 12 months following the assignment. The period of stay shall be continuous, so to achieve a fruitful interaction with the Professors, the Researchers and the Ph.D. Students of the Department.

Just in case the visiting period should be cancelled due to the continuing of the COVID-19 pandemic emergency and should not be possible to reschedule it within the 12 months following the assignment, the impossibility to travel will have to be certified by providing official documents on the matter that will be evaluated by Head of Department. The *Senior Visiting Fellows* will then conduct the scientific and didactics activities remotely and they will be required to hold all the activities declared in the application, obviously the activities can be properly re-modulated in accordance with the remote mode of carrying out the activities.

In case of Remote Visiting, the *Senior Fellows* will award a contribution of € 2.500,00.

The application material must include all required documents and must be uploaded by the proponents by the 30th on September 2021 at 23:59 on the online platform https://personale.unibo.it

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

- 1. personal and professional data of the applicant;
- 2. applicant's *curriculum vitae et studiorum* (and in case of academic candidates a list of publications last 5 years);
- 3. a cover letter from the Professor of the Department supporting the application, including the reasons for applying, a short scientific/professional profile of the candidate, a brief description of the activities to be carried out during the permanence and the positive effects expected for the Department; the indication of the reasons concerning the decision to conduct a period of stay in Bologna, Professors/Researchers of the DIN with whom the applicant wants to collaborate;
- 4. title and abstract of seminar for Ph.D students that the Visting Fellow shall hold;
- 5. a letter by the coordinator of the Doctoral course confirming the consistency of the seminar proposed with the Doctoral course subjects;
- 6. the specification of both the chosen visiting period and an alternative option;
- 7. a scanned copy of the applicant's valid ID or passport;
- 8. Any further cover letter by DIN or other UNIBO Department Professor.



Art. 5

The applications will be evaluated by a Commission composed by:

- PSSD Coordinator;
- A member of the PSSD Committee;
- The Department Internationalization delegate;
- The Department Research delegate;
- The Department Didactics delegate.

The Commission will select the best applications and will determine the final ranking list.

The selection criteria are the following:

- 1. Applicants CV;
- 2. The quality of the description of the seminar course proposed and of the activities foreseen during the permanence;
- 3. Department's beneficial in terms of participation to the departmental activities;
- 4. Possible cover letters attesting the application interdisciplinary;

Preference will be given to research profile applicants that will be different from those assigned in the previous editions.

The points attributed to each criterion will be defined by the Commission on the occasion of the preliminary meeting for the evaluation of the applications received.

Only applications scoring at least 60/100 are eligible to be selected.

The Department reserves the right to select a lower number of candidates if the applications submitted do not satisfy the demanded excellence requirements.

Art. 6

Selected candidates will be invited through a deliberation adopted by the Department Council and containing the scholar's first and family names, contact details, dates of stay at the DIN, a description of the planned activities and the name of the proposing Professor(s). The deliberation will be published on the website https://bandi.unibo.it/index.html?str=din

The invitation will be formalized by means of a letter from the Head of the Department that will be sent to the selected candidates.

Within one week of receipt of the invitation letter, the selected candidate is required to formally accept the position by sending a confirmation message to: din.affarigenerali@unibo.it.

Art. 7

The Visiting Fellow's entry and residence in Italy are regulated by the Italian laws and the local authorities' regulations.

It is up to the Visiting Fellow to obtain their own visa, if required, and any other necessary authorization to enter Italy.



Art. 8

DIN will activate an accident and third-party liability insurance coverage (RCT). The prizes are charged to the guest that pay the due amounts. The RCT will be limited to the activities listed in the agreement signed between the Department and the *Visiting Fellow* and it will be effective within the Department's facilities only.

The Fellowship does not provide any right to benefit from the National Health Service coverage. *Visiting Fellows* are required to arrange for their own health and social security coverage.

Art. 9

At the end of the research stay, the proposing Professor of each Visiting Fellow shall provide:

- a final report which summarizes the activities carried during the period of stay by the Visiting Fellow.

In case of non-compliance with the terms of the agreement signed between the Department and the *Visiting Fellow*, the *Visiting Fellow* will not receive any compensation and will be excluded from the participation to futher calls dofr DIN Senior Visting Fellowship published by the Department. It is only possible to obtain the title of DIN Senior Visiting Fellow once, if an applicant has already obtained the title once, he/she will not be allowed to participate to the following calls.

Flat-rate reimbursement will be authorized by the Department Council upon verification of the proper fulfillment of the required activities.

Art. 10

As long as the present call remains open, it will be available in the section "Calls" of the website https://bandi.unibo.it/index.html?str=din

For any further query, please contact din.affarigenerali@unibo.it

Art. 11

All aspects not regulated by the present call are subject to applicable provisions defined by the applicable Italian Law, the Alma Mater Studiorum Statue and related Regulations.

The Head of Department Of Industrial Engineering Prof. Alfredo Liverani

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