

ALMA MATER STUDIORUM  
UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA  
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

## Call for selection 2021 DIN Young Visiting Fellowship PSSD

### Art. 1

The *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 **n. 3 DIN Young Visiting Fellowships for foreign and Italian scholars that carry out their activities abroad**. The scholars awarded the *visiting fellowship* will be invited to carry out research activities and perform teaching speaks within the Departments facilities.

In particular, the core aim of the *Fellowship* is to attract young researchers well established in their research field in order to create an international network and to scout high qualification profiles for future recruitment actions of teaching staff. The *Visiting Fellow* will carry out research activities and seminar initiatives mainly addressed to Ph.D students, in order to increase the international profile of the Department and of its Doctorate courses.

### Art. 2

Each *DIN Young Visiting Fellow* will be entitled to:

- receive a total gross lump sum compensation of **2.000 EUR per month of stay** (travel, transfer expenses, room, board and visa costs will not be reimbursed unless otherwise agreed with the DIN Professor supporting the application) with a maximum contribution of € 4.000,00 per scholarship, in case of a stay longer than 2 months.
- the title of “DIN Young Visiting Fellow”;
- be provided with a fully equipped office space, in one of the DIN compounds;
- access to the items and IT resources of the DIN and the Department library.

The *DIN Young Visiting Fellow* is required to:

- stay at the Department for a period of at least **2 continuative months** within 12 months following the assignment of the fellowship;
- perform the research activities described in the application;
- teach a seminar course of at least six (6) hours addressed to Ph.D students;
- engage in educational activities aimed not only at Ph.D students, but also at master and bachelor degree students. These activities are welcome but not mandatory.



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### Art. 3

The present call for selection is addressed to: young Researchers residing abroad, with an international research profile and an adequate scientific qualification. Applicants can be researchers with at least three (3) years but not more than ten years (10) of experience since the completion of their Ph.D.s by the time of the call deadline

### Art. 4

The length of the stay shall range at least **for 2 continuative months** within 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.

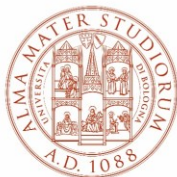
Just in case the visiting period should be cancelled due to the continuing of the COVID-19 pandemic emergency and should not be possible to reschedule it within the 12 months following the assignment, the impossibility to travel will have to be certified by providing official documents on the matter that will be evaluated by Head of Department. The *Young 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 *Young Fellows* will award a contribution of € 1.500,00.

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 candidate;
2. Visiting Researcher's *curriculum vitae et studiorum* with a professional track record (e.g. publications, projects, patents);
3. a cover letter from the Professor of the Department supporting the application, including the reasons for applying, a short scientific 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 research stay in Bologna, Professors/Researchers of the DIN with whom the applicant wants to collaborate, research activities to carry out, methodology and expected results;
4. title and abstract of the doctoral seminar to be carried out;
5. a letter by the coordinator of the Doctoral course confirming the consistency of the seminar proposed and the Doctoral course subjects;
6. the chosen period of stay and an alternative option (please notice that the PSSD maximum contribution amounts to € 4.000,00 per scholarship, in case of stay longer than 2 months. As a consequence, in case the period of permanence of the Young Fellow will exceed the 2 months, the DIN Professor supporting the application must state the amount he/she wishes to allocate as co-funding and the UGOV code for the funds he/she intends to use



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for this purpose). If at the end of the academic year, a portion of the PSSD budget allocated for the actions “DIN Senior Visiting Fellowship” and “DIN Young Visiting Fellowship” is still available, such residual budget can be allocated as co-funding to cover the complementary compensation costs paid by the DIN professors for the “DIN Young Visiting Fellowship” previously assigned in the academic year.

7. a scanned copy of the Visiting Researcher’s passport (or other identity document) in course of validity;
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, with particular attention to internationality and scientific quality of the candidate;
2. The quality of the description of the proposed seminar course;
3. The quality of the description of the research activities foreseen during the permanence;
4. Positive outcomes for the Department, in terms of participation to the departmental activities;
5. Possible cover letters attesting the application interdisciplinarity;

Preference will be given to research profiles of applicants different from those of the researchers taking part 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.

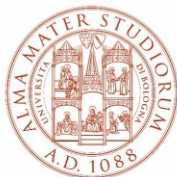
The Department reserves the right to select a lower number of candidates if the applications submitted do not satisfy the demanded excellence requirements.

### **Art. 6**

Selected candidates will be invited through a deliberation adopted by the Department Council and containing the scholar’s first and family names, contacts, dates of stay within the DIN, description of the planned activities and name of the Professor supporting the application. 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 Visiting Researcher is required to formally accept the position by sending a confirmation message to: [din.affarigenerali@unibo.it](mailto:din.affarigenerali@unibo.it).



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#### **Art. 7**

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

It is up to the Visiting Researcher to obtain the visa and any other necessary authorization to enter Italy.

#### **Art. 8**

The 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 Visiting Researcher shall provide:

a final detailed report explaining the activities carried during the period of stay countersigned by the proposing Professor of the Department.

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 further calls for *DIN Young Visiting Fellowship* published by the Department.

It is only possible to obtain the title of DIN Junior Visiting Fellow once, if an applicant has already obtained the title once, he/she will not be allowed to participate to the following calls. In order to ensure a rotation of the beneficiaries, no selected fellow will be allowed to participate to the call for Visiting Fellowship immediately following the one he/she applied for.

Flat-rate reimbursement will be authorized by the Department Council upon verification of the proper fulfilment 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](mailto:din.affarigenerali@unibo.it)



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**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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