

<u>ABSTRACT</u> OF THE CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR THE PARTICIPATION TO "ERASMUS+ BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME" (BIP) AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LISBON DIRECTED TO $1^{\rm ST}$ - AND $2^{\rm ND}$ -YEAR MASTER'S STUDENTS IN IMAHS, PASA, PROGESA and STAG

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The Call for application for the participation to "Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Program (BIP)" in *Developing multi-disciplinary and collaborative field research* is now open; it will take place at the International Center for Field Studies, CERES, in Aljezur (Portugal), under the direction of the University of Lisbon (Portugal).

<u>BIPs are short-term Intensive Study Programs</u>, which include in-person and online attendance. This program, in particular, will focus on different disciplines (for example earth, life and social sciences) that will have multidisciplinary themes, aimed at solving real problems of the study area in Portugal.

The call, having deadline on **27th June 2024 at 1:00p.m.**, is addressed to students from the University of Bologna who, at the moment of application, are regularly enrolled at 1st and 2nd year of the following Second Cycle Degree programmes A.Y. 2023/2024:

- Agricultural Sciences and Technologies cod. 9235
- Planning and management of agro-territorial, forest and landscape cod. 8532
- Precise and sustainable agriculture cod. 5705
- International horticultural science cod. 8883
- Plant and Agricultural Biotechnology cod. 5948

The activities are specified in Attachment 1. In-**presence** activities will take place from $\underline{17^{th}}$ to $\underline{30^{th}}$ of September 2024 at the University of Lisbon. **Online** activities will take place from for 1 week from the $\underline{10^{th}}$ of September, and then for 1 week after the $\underline{30^{th}}$ of September.

For more information about the activities carried out during the mobility period, check the "Allegato 1 - Attachment 1".

The workshops are activities of the network to support and develop the creative power of inspirational researchers from different nations and with multiple academic backgrounds in a common environment characterized with topical environmental, social, and economic issues. The purpose of the workshops is set around the following key areas:

- Set cross-institutional research for short, mid, and long term.
- Plan long-term monitoring and data collection programs for high impact publications.
- Use of innovative student field courses supported and enhanced by virtual elements.
- Support individual student research areas and collaborative projects.
- Create a dissemination strategy which includes both academic routes as well as community-based participation.
- Exploring funding options for field research and innovation's revenue streams.

All the activities will be hold exclusively in English, thus knowledge of English language is required.

The students that will successfully complete the programme (virtual and in-person mobility – both mandatory – and final paper) will receive at least **4 ECTS/CFU**, which will be recognized by the Study Course as Type D activities (optional courses in the study plan).

1. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The Commission will select <u>13 students</u>. Applicants should be **regularly enrolled** for the a.y. 2023/24 to the 1st and 2nd year of the following study courses:

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The student will not be able to obtain the final Degree before the conclusion of the study period abroad and before the recognition by his/her Degree Course Council of the educational activity carried out at the foreign University, under penalty of revocation of the status and the Erasmus+scholarship.

2. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Interested students must apply on "Studenti Online" by the deadline 27th June 2024 at 1:00p.m.

In order to apply, students need to:

- Log in with their institutional credentials on https://studenti.unibo.it/;
- Click on the button "bandi";
- Select the call "BANDO DI SELEZIONE PER LA FORMAZIONE DI UNA GRADUATORIA PER L'ASSEGNAZIONE DI N°13 CONTRIBUTI PER LA PARTECIPAZIONE AL BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAM (BIP) ERASMUS+ PRESSO IL CENTRO CERES (Aljezur, PORTOGALLO) RISERVATO AGLI STUDENTI ISCRITTI AL I e II ANNO DI ALCUNE LAUREE MAGISTRALI IN AGRARIA."

Applicants should **upload** the following documents:

- Self-certification/certificate of exams taken during the study course both 1st and 2nd cycle degree (available on Studenti Online)
- Motivational letter in English (max 250 words)
- English language knowledge certificates or similar documents

3. CRITERIA FOR THE FORMULATION OF THE RANKING

The Commission will assign the score as follows:

- Max. **60 points** for the evaluation of the academic career;
- Max. **30 points** for the motivational letter;
- Max. **10 points** for English language knowledge certificates.

In case of incomplete documentation, the application will be rejected.

The Commission is composed of the following members:

- Prof. Marcello Di Bonito
- Prof. Luciano Cavani
- Prof. Gloria Falsone
- Prof. Claudio Ratti

4. RANKING PUBLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE

At the end of the evaluation phase, a ranking will be formulated on the basis of the scores assigned by the Commission.

Should two or more applicants obtain the same score, those with the lower age will precede.

The winners will have to accept the mobility through the ALMARM platform, according to the instructions that will be sent by the email erasmus.bip@unibo.it International Relations Area (AFORM - *Ufficio Mobilità per Studio* (BIP)).

5. AMOUNT OF THE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION

According to Erasmus+ Programme, the financial contribution is established as follows:

| Duration of in-person mobility | Amount |
|---|-------------|
| Until the 14 th day of activity | 79 euro/day |
| From the 15 th day to the 30 th day of activity | 56 euro/day |

Students with fewer opportunities will receive a one-time-only extra amount of 100€ to the individual support of the EU contribution for an in-person mobility from 5 to 14 days, or 150€ for an in-person mobility from 15 to 30 days.



Students that will choose a ""green" travel solution will receive another extra amount of 50€ one-time-only.

Further information about the financial contribution will be provided to the students that will be selected for this programme. Erasmus+ contributions are related to the activities abroad and to the recognition of such activities by the University. Students that will **not complete** all the steps will have to return the whole amount of the contribution.

6. INCOMPATIBILITY

The incompatibilities concern both the scholarship and the of Erasmus student "status".

Students applying for this call can obtain one or more Erasmus+ scholarships for each study cycle (three-year, master's and doctoral) for a total period that does not exceed 12 months for each study cycle.

Students applying for this call cannot benefit, in the same mobility period, of any other type of contribution/scholarship from UNIBO assigned to spend a mobility period abroad.

It is not possible to participate at this Call if you have already completed a BIP mobility for "Developing multi-disciplinary and collaborative field research".

7. PUBLICATION OF THE RANKING LIST

The Ranked list of successful candidates will be published on "BANDI" website within in the weeks following the closing date of the Call itself

For further information write to:

- About the Erasmus BIP scholarship: AFORM Area Formazione e Dottorato Ufficio Mobilità per Studio (BIP) diri.erasmusbip@unibo.it
- About the activities of the project: Prof. Marcello Di Bonito marcello.dibonito@unibo.it
- About the application procedures: International Relations Office DISTAL distal.internazionalizzazione@unibo.it

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¹ Use of sustainable means to reach the host location, in particular it will be possible to pay the contribution in question only for the use of trains and/or buses, as per the resolution of the OOAA of the University of Bologna of 26/july/2022.