



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM  
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## THE DIRECTOR

HAVING REGARD to the request of Prof. Spinelli, Coordinator of the Master's Degree Course in *International Horticultural Science (IMAHs)*, in collaboration with Prof. Orsini, regarding the approval for a call for a scholarship for students participating in the *Urban Farm Challenge 2025*, financed by the budget of the *International Course IMAHs* for a total amount not exceeding 15000 euros;

HAVING REGARD to the resolution of the Board of the Course of LM 8883 – *International Horticultural Science IMAHs* of October 16th, 2024, authorizing the budget for educational visits, that approved of a visit to Stockholm organized by Prof. Orsini, foreseeing a financial contribution for students interested in deepening knowledge in Smart Horticulture and Urban Farming;

HAVING REGARD to the Board of Department of Agriculture and Food Sciences and Technologies – DISTAL, in the session of January 27th, 2025, approving the issuance of the aforementioned call for scholarships;

HAVING VERIFIED the availability of funds of the *International Horticultural Science* Course, that can be aimed at scholarships for students regularly enrolled in courses of the Department;

## EMANATES

### A CALL FOR SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DESERVING STUDENTS FOR THE DEEPENING OF ISSUES RELATED TO SMART HORTICULTURE AND URBAN FARMING

**EXPIRY DATE: 28/02/2025 at 13:00**

#### ***Art. 1 – Object and purpose***

The Master's Degree in *International Horticultural Science (8883) – LM 69*, jointly offered by Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna (UNIBO) and Free University of Bozen-Bolzano (UNIBZ), provides **scholarships** for deserving students, regularly enrolled to the abovementioned Degree Programme in the A.Y. 2024/2025, wishing to deepen their knowledge in the field of Smart Horticulture and Urban Farming. The scholarship is meant as a partial contribution to the expenses.

#### ***Art. 2 – Requirements for applying for the call***

In order to apply for the call, students must:

- a) be regularly enrolled in the current academic year;
- b) have included in their Study Plan the course 96674 - INNOVATIVE AND SMART TECHNOLOGIES FOR VEGETABLE CULTIVATION (I.C.);
- c) have registered correctly for the International student challenge “UrbanFarm2025”.

These requirements must be satisfied within the deadline of the present call (as established in Art. 3).

#### ***Art. 3 – Procedures and deadlines for submitting applications***

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Applications must be submitted through the “Online Students” portal **by the deadline of 28/02/2025 at 1 pm.**

In order to apply, students need to:

- Log in with their institutional credentials on **Studenti Online (www.studenti.unibo.it)**;
- Click on the “Calls” section;
- Select the “CALL FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DESERVING STUDENTS FOR THE DEEPENING OF ISSUES RELATED TO SMART HORTICULTURE AND URBAN FARMING 2025”;
- Upload Annex A of this call, correctly completed.

#### ***Art. 4 – Criteria for the formulation of ranking***

Ranking will be formulated on the basis of the total number of credits (ECTS – ECTS) acquired during the first semester of 2024/2025 (max. 30 credits) and the average of the marks (max. 30/30). An additional point will be given for each grade equal to *30 with honors*. Moreover, the appropriateness of an abstract about the contents of the course will be evaluated.

Based on these criteria, the Commission will assign the score as follows:

- Max. 10 points for the number of credits obtained compared to the number of credits obtainable at the end of the first semester;
- Max 30 points for the weighted average of the votes, adding one point for each vote equal to *30 with honors*;
- Max 60 points for the abstract (max. 500 words) about the following topic: “Elaborate on a plant cultivation system that well fits the urban environment and can be used for social activities” (Annex A).

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

In the event of a tied score, it will be given preference to the student with the highest weighted average. In case of further equal result, preference is given to the student with the highest number of credits acquired. In case of any further equal result, the date and time of the insertion of the application will be considered, giving preference to the student who entered the application first.

Only candidates obtaining a score of 51/100 or more will be considered eligible to receive the scholarship.

The Commission is composed of the following members:

- Prof. Francesco Spinelli
- Prof. Francesco Orsini
- Dr. Giuseppina Pennisi

For more information on this call and the International Challenge 2025, students can contact Dr. Giuseppina Pennisi at [giuseppina.pennisi@unibo.it](mailto:giuseppina.pennisi@unibo.it).

#### ***Art. 5 – Incompatibility***

The scholarship is incompatible with similar fundings provided by Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna covering the same period of time and purpose of the abovementioned scholarship.

#### ***Art. 6 – Publication of rankings and acceptance of scholarships***

The results of the selection will be published among the documents of the call available on Online Students, on the [bandi.unibo.it](http://bandi.unibo.it) page, and on the page of the Study Programme.

The winners will be notified by DISTAL Educational Service (Filiera Didattica) by e-mail (to their institutional address [@studio.unibo.it](mailto:@studio.unibo.it)) and will have **to accept the scholarship within 10 days** from notification; otherwise, they will be considered tacitly renouncers and the ranking will be scrolled. To accept

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the scholarship, student must attach to the email the forms with personal and fiscal data for payment. The forms will be sent to the winners via e-mail along with the communication of the results.

**N.B. Only communications sent from institutional addresses @studio.unibo.it will be taken into consideration.**

#### ***Art. 7 – Payment of scholarships***

The amount of the scholarships will be calculated on the basis of the number of the eligible students that will reach the minimum score required, in accordance with the total amount allocated for the scholarships. In any case, each scholarship cannot exceed the amount of 750,00 euros (gross amount). The scholarships will be paid within the month of March 2025.

Eligible students, after the trip to Stockholm, will have to prove that they took part to the activities of the International Challenge “Urban Farm 2025” and that they presented the required results according to the procedures established by the challenge. In case the student awarded with the scholarship will not take part to the activities of “UrbanFarm 2025” according to the established procedures, the Administrative Office will proceed to take back the entire amount of the scholarship.

#### ***Art. 8 – Personal data***

Personal data provided in the applications for the present Call will be processed in compliance with the right to the protection of personal data and the rights to the protection of confidentiality and personal identity, referred to in Legislative Decree 30 June 2003 n. 196 and referred to in Regulation (EU) 2016/679 – General Data Protection Regulation.

The treatment will be carried out both through computer systems and in manual form with paper means. The provision of data is mandatory and any refusal may result in exclusion from the Call. The owner of the processing of personal data is identified in the Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna with headquarters in via Zamboni n. 33, 40126 Bologna. Responsible for the exercise of the rights referred to in art. 7 of the aforementioned Decree 196/03 is the Director of the Department of Agro-Food Sciences and Technologies.

#### ***Art. 9 – Methods of publication of the Call and RUP***

This call is published on the University portal <https://bandi.unibo.it>.

The Sole Responsible for this Procedure (RUP) is Dr. Pierluigi Puccetti.

The Director  
Department of Agriculture and Food Sciences and Technologies  
*Prof. Giovanni DINELLI*