Call for selection
2019 Visiting Researcher Fellowship – Long Mobility
FILCOM Strategic Research Project

Art. 1
The Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna Department of Philosophy and Communication Studies (hereinafter, “FILCOM” or “Department”), with a view to foster the internationalization of departmental research, adopts the present call, concerning n. 3 Visiting Researcher Fellowships for foreign Researchers invited to carry out research activities within the Department’s facilities. In particular, the Fellowship shall allow a strong scientific interaction between the invited foreign scholars and the Professors/Researchers of the Department with regard to the priorities identified by the Departmental Research Committee and/or according to the FILCOM Strategic Research Project (see Annex I). This interaction shall be developed especially by means of the following activities: joint organization of workshops, conferences, or other events of scientific nature within FILCOM; drafting joint scientific manuscripts to be published in scientific international journals or international edited collections; joint participation to calls for European and international projects. The selected Visiting Researchers will be also required to hold a seminar on their research activities which will be mainly addressed to PhD students and research fellows of the Department.

Art. 2
Each Visiting Researcher will be entitled to:
- receive a lump sum compensation for a net total amount of 2.000 EUR;
- be provided with a fully equipped office space, in via Zamboni 38 or in via Azzo Gardino 23, Bologna http://www.dfc.unibo.it/it
- have access to the items and IT resources of the FILCOM and its libraries http://www.dfc.unibo.it/it/biblioteca

Art. 3
The length of the stay shall be of at least 1 month during the period October 2019 – September 2020. The visiting period shall be continuous so to achieve a fruitful interaction with the Professors and Researchers of the Department.

The application material must include all required documents and must be uploaded by the proponents by June 15th 2019 at 12:00 on the online platform https://personale.unibo.it
The application can be submitted online only; any document submitted through other means will not be accepted. The application shall include:
- personal and professional data of the applicant;
- applicant’s curriculum vitae et studiorum and list of publications;
- a scanned copy of the applicant’s valid ID or passport;
- a cover letter from a Researcher/Professor of the Department, including a short scientific biography of the Visiting Researcher (see Annex II);
- the indication of the reasons concerning the decision to conduct a visiting research period in Bologna, Professors/Researchers of the Department with whom the applicant intends to collaborate, a plan of the research activities, the methodology and the expected results;
- title and abstract of seminar for PhD students and research fellows of the Department that the Visiting Researcher shall hold;
- the specification of both the chosen visiting period and an alternative option.

Art. 4

The applications will be evaluated by a Commission appointed by the Department Council. The Commission will select the 3 best applications and will determine the final ranking list within the deadline indicated by the Council. The selection criteria are the following:

1. scientific qualification and international profile of the candidate (max 55 points);
2. affiliation to a high profile scientific institution (max 10 points);
3. activity plan while working at FILCOM (max 25 points);
4. contribution to the strategy aimed at improving the Department’s scientific activity, as illustrated in the Strategic Research Project (max 10 points).

Only applications scoring at least 70/100 points 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. 5

Visiting Researchers 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 FILCOM, description of the planned activities and name of the proposing Professor(s)/Researcher(s). The results will be published on the website www.dfc.unibo.it. The invitation will be formalized with an email from the Department’s Head no later than the 15th of July 2019. The Visiting Researcher is required to communicate formal acceptance of the visiting position no later than the 30th of July 2019 by sending a confirmation message to: filcom.visiting@unibo.it
Art. 6
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. 7
FILCOM will activate an accident and third party liability insurance coverage (RCT). The RCT will be limited to the activities listed in the agreement signed with the Visiting Researcher and it will be effective within the Department’s facilities only. The Fellowship does not provide for any right to benefit from the National Health Service coverage. Visiting Researchers are required to arrange for their health and social security coverage.

Art. 8
At the end of the visiting research period, the Visiting Researcher shall provide:
- a final detailed report explaining the activities carried out and those to be completed (e.g.: participation to competitive European and international calls; submission of joint manuscripts to the editorial boards of scientific international journals or collective volumes; ...);
- electronic copies of any final research product.

In case of non-compliance the Visiting Researcher will not receive any compensation and will be excluded from the participation to further calls for Visiting Researcher Fellowships published by the Department as part of the PSSD. In any case, 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 fulfillment of the required activities.

Art. 9
As long as the present call remains open, it will be available at https://bandi.unibo.it/docenti/visiting-fellows

Art. 10
All aspects not regulated by the present call are subject to applicable provisions defined by the applicable Italian law, the Alma Mater Studiorum Statute and the Regulation.