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Call for the selection of eight ISA Visiting Fellowships for the period January – July 2021

Application deadline: May 28, 2020 (3:00 p.m.)

In order to foster the internationalization and interdisciplinarity of the University of Bologna, the ISA (Istituto di Studi Avanzati), offers **eight Visiting Fellowships** for a period of one to three months to international visiting professors. The fellowships must be proposed by members of the academic staff of the University of Bologna and will be organized in close collaboration with the University Departments. The Fellowship period must be continuous in order to allow for a fruitful interaction with the Institute and the students.

Please note that Fellowships assigned for the period March – July 2020, but not used due to the COVID-19 outbreak, will be reassigned – upon request – in the corresponding period in 2021 with priority over new assignments and without the need of submitting a new application.

The number of Full Fellowships offered is reduced compared to previous Calls in order to take into consideration the need of rescheduling Fellowships not used in the period March – July 2020. The number of Full Fellowships can be increased up to a maximum of 12 on the basis of reassignments.

Art. 1 - The Visiting Fellows will receive from the ISA:

- A Contribution to be chosen between:
 - 1) a <u>lump-sum compensation</u> to cover travel, transportation, food expenses and possible visa in the gross amount of 800.00 Euros for EU residents and 1,100 Euros for non-EU residents;
 - 2) a <u>direct reimbursement</u> of duly documented <u>travel expenses</u> only (up to 800.00 Euros for EU residents and 1,100 Euros for non-EU residents).
- Accommodation (Bologna Campus): as a rule, a fully equipped apartment in the proximity of the Istituto di Studi Avanzati (Via Marsala 26, Bologna) and of the Rectorate.
- Accommodation (Ravenna Campus): for 1 Visiting Fellow who will carry out his activities in the
 Multicampus site of Ravenna, the accommodation and related hosting services will be provided
 according to the Agreement among ISA, the Scuola Superiore di Studi sulla Città e il Territorio
 of the Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna and the Fondazione Flaminia of Ravenna
 with the aim to promote the international scientific mobility in the Campus.

The application must be completed according to the following procedure by the University of Bologna hosting academic:

- 1. access the system at https://personale.unibo.it
- 2. click on the "Login" button and log in with username and password



- 3. click on the box "Candidatura Visiting Professor"
- 4. select the call for "ISA Visiting Fellowship January July 2021" and follow the guided procedure.

Art. 2 - Professors and Researchers (including "Ricercatori Senior") with a permanent active position at the Alma Mater Studiorum - University of Bologna are invited to submit to the Istituto di Studi Avanzati of the University of Bologna their proposals for international ISA Visiting Fellows who have an active permanent or temporary position at university or international research institution and maintain such a condition until the period of the visit in case the Fellowship will be assigned.

Applications of professors and researchers who have already been assigned a Full Fellowship or a Lodging Fellowship in the last two years are not eligible.

Applications of professors and researchers who have renounced to a Full Fellowship in the last two years are not eligible.

Their stay can last minimum 1 month and up to 2 in the period January – July 2021 and must be without interruptions. The Institute of Advanced Studies Board can evaluate, on the basis of accommodation availability, the possibility of expansion of the Fellowship period up to a maximum of three months upon a motivated request of Visiting Fellows assignees of the Fellowship.

The Fellowship period must be continuative and without interruptions.

Applications must be uploaded by the University of Bologna Proponent no later than 3 p.m. on May 28, 2020, at the following link https://personale.unibo.it using academic login credentials. The link can also be accessed from the ISA Website at www.isa.unibo.it.

The application must be accompanied by the following documents, which must be uploaded:

- Personal and academic information about the Visiting Fellow*;
- II. Motivation of the proposal by the University of Bologna proponent, describing the reasons of the proposal of the Visiting Fellow and the planned activities, also in relation to the period of stay (online mask);
- III. Short scientific profile of the Visiting Fellow* (in English) for subsequent inclusion on the ISA website in case of the acceptance of the application (online mask);
- IV. **Title and synopsis of the ISA lecture*(in English)** that the Visiting Fellow will deliver at the Institute during his/her stay and other teaching activities if planned on the Degree and PhD courses of the University of Bologna (online mask);
- V. **Preferred and second choice period of stay proposal** (the periods indicated cannot be changed);
- VI. Lodging and/or economic contribution request;
- VII. The system will require an **explicit declaration by the Proponent** confirming receipt of the **favorable decision by the Head of Department** to host the Visiting Fellow (online mask);
- VIII. A scanned copy of the Visiting Fellow's valid **Passport or ID document** (file to be uploaded);



IX. **Curriculum vitae et studiorum and publication list** covering the last 5 years of the Visiting Fellow (only one merged file is to be uploaded)

N.B. the online procedure does <u>not</u> allow the intermediate saving if all text fields are not filled. Make sure to have all requested documents and data when uploading your application.

At the end of the upload, the Proponent can save the proposal for possible future modification or send it directly. In this case, the proposal will no longer be modifiable.

If the request is approved, the information identified with * will be uploaded to the site www.isa.unibo.it .

The proposal must be sent before the deadline indicated in this call. Proposals saved but not sent will not be considered.

Art. 3 - Elements I, II, III, IV and IX listed in Art. 2 will be evaluated by the ISA Board, who will then select the best **eight applicants**. The ISA board is composed of academics representing all the scientific areas of the University of Bologna.

The selection criteria are the following:

The scientific excellence of the applicant

50%

(the continuity and impact of scientific activity over the last five years will be especially considered)

The relevance of an ISA residency

50%

(the extent of interdisciplinary involvement of the scientific community will be considered, as well as participation in teaching activities on University of Bologna courses; in particular, the interdisciplinary approach of proposed ISA lecture will be evaluated).

The results of the selection will be communicated at the end of the selection procedure no later than **June 30, 2020** by publication on the website www.isa.unibo.it and also by e-mail to the University of Bologna proposing Professors.

Art. 4 - Acceptance of the Fellowship must be confirmed **within 10 days** after receiving formal communication from the Director by sending an email to segreteria.isa@unibo.it. If the Fellowship is not accepted or if the acceptance communication does not arrive before the deadline, the ISA Board will offer the Fellowship to the next candidate on the shortlist. Depending on financial and/or lodging availability, the ISA may offer further "lodging fellowships" (i.e. only accommodation and no financial contribution).

In the case of Visiting fellows requiring housing on a Multicampus site other than Bologna (Forlì, Cesena and Rimini), the Council will evaluate the possibility of adding an extra gross amount of 400 € to the fellowship (whether with financial contribution or "lodging").

Art. 5 - The Fellows' entry and residence in Italy is regulated in accordance with Italian law and local authority directives. If a visa is required, the International Desk of the University of Bologna (diri.visiting@unibo.it) will provide information and support to the Fellow and his/her Proponent in the application process to obtain the correct visa required to receive the (1) lump-sum-compensation indicated in Art.1.



Art. 6 - The Institute will provide injury and third-party liability insurance coverage (RCT) <u>limited</u> to the activities indicated and regulated by the contract with the ISA and that take place within the structures of the University of Bologna.

The Fellowship does not confer the right to receive social security or access national health services. Fellows are required to obtain appropriate medical, accident and civil liability insurance, as established by University regulations.

Art. 7 – Residence periods always begin on the first working day of the month and always terminate on the last working day of the month; check-in and check-out at the apartments provided by the Institute must also comply with the following rules:

check-in can be made after 2 p.m. of the first working day of the month while the check-out must be done within 10 a.m. of the last working day of the month of stay.

Art. 8. Welcoming and support on the arrival, included collecting of the keys and accompanying the ISA Fellow to the assigned apartment must be provided by the proponent of the Visiting Fellow.

This is especially important in case the arrival is not during the opening hours of the accommodation provider.

Further information about the accommodation will be sent to Fellowship assignees and to their proponents after the closing date of the Call.

- **Art. 9** The Institute of Advanced Studies does not guarantee lodging to the Fellow's hosts. No sum is to be refunded by the ISA in case the Fellow decides to look for alternative accommodation.
- **Art. 10** The expenses (lump-sum compensation or direct reimbursement) indicated in Art. 1 will be paid only after delivery of the Institute lecture and the completion and submission to the ISA administration office of all the forms and documents required. All documents must be properly completed and delivered before departure in order to process and deliver payments.

The Institute does not guarantee payment of expenses if all the required documentation is not delivered to the ISA Secretariat by Visiting Fellow before departure.

Art. 11 - This announcement will be available on the website www.isa.unibo.it until the closing date of the application.

The ISA (Istituto di Studi Avanzati) Director

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