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# Call for the selection of twelve ISA Multicampus Visiting Fellowships (Eight for Bologna and four reserved to Romagna Campuses) for the period August – December 2024

## Application deadline: January 15, 2024 (3:00 p.m.)

## Introduction

In order to foster the internationalization and interdisciplinarity focus of the University of Bologna, the Institute of Advanced Studies (ISA), offers **twelve Multicampus Visiting Fellowships - eight for Bologna and four reserved to Cesena, Forlì, Ravenna and Rimini Campuses -** for a period of one to two months to international visiting professors.

The candidates 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; as for the aforementioned four reserved quotas, proponents <u>must</u> be part of **Outlying Organizational Units or Departments referring to Cesena, Forlì, Ravenna, and Rimini Campuses**. The Fellowship period must be continuous in order to allow for a fruitful interaction with the Institute and the students.

# Art. 1 - Benefits for Visiting Fellows

Selected Visiting Fellows are offered a gross lump sum of 5,000 Euro.

# Art. 2 – Visiting Fellows' activities at the Institute of Advanced Studies and Institute for Higher Studies (ISS)

During their stay at Alma Mater Studiorum, the selected Visiting Fellows will be part of the Institute of Advanced Studies' community. They will be engaged in the teaching and scientific dissemination activities carried out by ISA, specifically aimed at students and PhD students of the International PhD College of the Collegio Superiore, but also open to the University and community as a whole. Visiting Fellows are required to participate in the following projects organized by ISA/ISS:

I. "Vetrina della Ricerca": after being awarded the Fellowship and before arriving in Italy, Visiting Fellows will attend a collective institutional event (online), on a date to be agreed. In this occasion, they will briefly present their through-lines of research in order to identify additional points in common with the scientific activity of the University's professors and researchers, as well as any transferable skills within the same cohort of Visiting Fellows, **also in anticipation of any seminars and/or round-table discussions that may be organized during the Fellowship**;

II. *ISA Lectures*: during their period of stay, Visiting Fellows will be required to give a Lecture at the Institute of Advanced Studies, which will be open to colleagues, students and PhD students, but also to the citizenry. While focusing on his/her own field of research, the Visiting Fellow should adopt an



educational approach: the ISA lecture should present interdisciplinary contents and be suitable for an educated-though-non-expert audience and aim to pique the interest of people belonging to different fields;

III. Activities with PhD students: during their visit, Visiting Fellows are required to hold a lecture/seminar specifically intended for PhD students related to his/her field of research;

IV. Activities in other Departments: the Visiting Fellow must make him/herself available to give at least one teaching/seminar activity agreed with the proposing Department and/or requested by other Departments interested in his/her Scientific profile;

V. Activities in the Campuses: on the basis of the Visiting Fellow's specific lines of research, arrangements will be made for a further Lecture to be held at one of the Romagna campuses. In that case, ISA/ISS will cover any travel costs for the selected day.

## Art. 3 – Proponents

Professors and Researchers with a permanent active position at the Alma Mater Studiorum -University of Bologna are invited to submit to the Institute of Advanced Studies their proposals for international scholars 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 Fellowship in the last two years are not eligible.

Each applicant may submit only one application.

#### Art. 4 – Duration of stay

It can last **minimum 1 month and up to 2** in the period August – December 2024.

The Fellowship period must be continuative and without interruptions.

#### Art. 5 – How to apply

Applications must be uploaded by the University of Bologna proponent **no later than January 15**, **2024 at 3:00 p.m.**, at the following link <u>https://personale.unibo.it</u> using academic login credentials; click on the box "*ISA Visiting Fellowship agosto-dicembre 2024*" and follow the guided procedure.

The application must be uploaded online and accompanied by the following documents:

- I. Personal and academic information about the Visiting Fellow;
- II. Motivation of the proposal (in English online form) 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. The text must <u>not exceed 2000 characters</u>, under penalty of exclusion;
- III. Short scientific profile of the Visiting Fellow (in English online form). The text must <u>not</u> exceed 2000 characters, under penalty of exclusion;



- IV. Title and synopsis of the ISA lecture (in English online form) that the Visiting Fellow will deliver at the Institute during his/her stay. Please consider that the *Lecture* should be suitable for an educated but not expert audience and should stimulate the interest of people belonging to different fields;
- V. Short description of the teaching activities/lectures (in English online form) regarding the activities described in Art. 2 Paragraphs III. Activities with PhD students; IV. Activities in other Departments; V. Activities in the Campuses;
- VI. **Preferred and second choice period of stay proposal** the indicated periods will be binding when organizing the activities. In this regard and in order to avoid overlapping, the Institute for Advanced Studies reserves the right to opt for the most appropriate period in due time;
- 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 form);
- VIII. A scanned copy of the Visiting Fellow's valid **Passport or ID document** (file to be uploaded);
- IX. *Curriculum vitae et studiorum* (in English, 1 A4-sized file) 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 <u>does 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 latter case, the proposal will no longer be modifiable.

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

**Art. 6** – Elements I, II, III, IV, V and IX listed in Art. 5 will be evaluated by the Institute of Advanced Studies Board, who will then collectively compile the ranking lists (one for each Campus).

The Institute of Advanced Studies Board is composed of academics representing all the scientific areas of the University of Bologna and all Campuses.

The selection criteria are the following:

- the scientific excellence of the applicant 40%
  (the continuity and impact of scientific activity over the last five years will be especially considered)
- the relevance of an Institute of Advanced Studies residency
  60%
  (the possibility of a broad involvement of the University scientific community will be considered, assessing in particular the interdisciplinary nature of the proposed ISA Lecture, as well as the breadth and transversal nature of the teaching/seminar activities for International PHD College, related PhD courses and courses within and outside the proponent's Department).

The results of the selection will be communicated at the end of the selection procedure no later than **February 15, 2024** by publication on the Portale Bandi <u>https://bandi.unibo.it/s/iss-</u>



<u>collegiosuperiore-isa/bando-isa-per-dodici-visiting-fellowship-multicampus-per-il-periodo-agosto-</u> <u>dicembre-2024</u> and also by e-mail to the University of Bologna proposing the selected Professors.

# Art. 7 – Acceptance of the Fellowship

It must be confirmed **within 10 days** after receiving formal communication from the Director by sending an email to <u>segreteria.isa@unibo.it</u>. If the Fellowship is not accepted or if acceptance is **not confirmed before the deadline**, the Institute of Advanced Studies Board will offer the Fellowship to the next candidate on the shortlist. No exceptions will be allowed.

In the event that no application is submitted to one of the Campuses of Cesena, Forlì, Ravenna, Rimini the Scientific Board will evaluate the possibility of reallocate the fellowship, again according to the shortlists.

## Art. 8 – Rescheduling

The rescheduling of visits will be possible **exclusively in the reference period of this Call** (August 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024) **and depends on the effective availability of spots in the required period**. It will not be possible to postpone the visit beyond December 31, 2023.

#### Art.9 – Accreditation

Accreditation and registration of the Visiting Fellow at the Department, release of the personal credentials and tracking of international mobility in departments shall be performed by the administration offices of the proponent's Department.

#### Art. 10 – Rules for staying in Italy

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 (ases.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 compensation indicated in Art.1.

**Art. 11** - 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. 12 – No refund is due from the Institute for accommodation.

**Art. 13** - Welcoming and assistance upon arrival must be provided by the proponent of the Visiting Fellow.

**Art. 14** - The compensation indicated in Art. 1 will be paid only after delivery of the Institute lecture and submission to the Institute of Advanced Studies administration office of all the duly filled and signed forms and required documents. All documents must be properly completed and delivered before departure in order to process and deliver payments. The Institute does not guarantee



payment if all the required documentation is not delivered by Visiting Fellow to the Institute of Advanced Studies administration office

**Art. 15** - This announcement will be available on the website <u>www.isa.unibo.it</u> ("Latest Updates" section) until the closing date of the application.

The Director of the Institute of Advanced Studies

Prof.ssa Anna Chiara Fariselli

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## PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE PROCEDURE

The person in charge of the procedure is Dr.ssa Lucia Gunella, manager of the Institute of Advanced Studies: <u>lucia.gunella@unibo.it</u>

Candidates are entitled to exercise their right of access to the records of the selection process as provided for by the regulations in force. The request must be sent to <u>segreteria.isa@unibo.it</u>

The privacy policy, pursuant to art. 13 of D. Lgs. 30.06.03 n. 196 "Code for the protection of personal data", is available on the University portal at the page <a href="https://www.unibo.it/it/ateneo/privacy-e-note-legali/privacy/informativa-per-i-partecipanti-a-concorsi-e-selezioni-banditi-ateneo">https://www.unibo.it/it/ateneo/privacy-e-note-legali/privacy/informativa-per-i-partecipanti-a-concorsi-e-selezioni-banditi-ateneo</a> .