

**Announcement for admission competition to the
International Research Doctorate in:**

"ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND INNOVATION"

A.Y. 2022/2023- XXXVIII Cycle

D.P. n.215/22

THE CHAIRMAN

Having regard to the statutes of LUM GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO University of Casamassima (Ba).
Having regard to the Ministerial decree nr. 244 dtd 30.04.1999;
Having regard to the Law of 3 July 1998 n.210, art.4 "PhD program";
Having regard to the Law 30 December 2010 n. 240, art. 19 "Provisions on the PhD programs".
Having regard to the Ministerial Decree nr. 226 of 14.12.2021 published on the Italian Official Gazette nr. 308 of 29.12.2021.

Having regard to the Ministerial Decree of 23.02.2022 in which has been redetermined the amount of the Doctoral Scholarship;

Having regard to the "University Regulations on Research Doctorates" issued with D.P. 177/22 of 13.05.2022 according to the rules of DM. 226 of 14.12.2021.

Having regard to the note of 22.03.2022 nr. 301 with which the Ministry has sent the "Guidelines for the PhD courses 38° cycle A.Y. 2022/2023".

Having regard to the proposal of renewal for the XXXVIII cycle a.y. 2022/2023 of the International Research Doctorate in "ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND INNOVATION" with Main Office at the LUM GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO University of Casamassima (BA) received by the Teaching Staff Council.

Having regard to Ministerial Decree 351/22 of 09.04.2022 by which the Ministry of University has allocated to this University for the year 2022/2023, from the PNRR, Mission 4, Component 1 "Enhancement of the supply of education services: from kindergartens up to Universities" - Investment 3.4 "Advanced teaching and university skills" and Investment 4. 1 "Extension of the number of PhDs and innovative PhDs for public administration and cultural heritage", no. 6 PhD scholarships of three-year duration for the attendance of doctoral accredited under DM 45/2013 XXXVII cycle - Academic Year 2022/2023 and to be accredited under DM 226/2021 XXXVIII cycle - Academic Year 2022/2023 (Table B - Inv. 4.1);

Having regards to the Ministerial Decree 352/22 of 09.04.2022 by which the Ministry of University has allocated to this University for the year 2022/2023, from the PNRR, Mission 4, Component 2 "From Research to Enterprise" - Investment 3. 3 "Introduction of innovative doctorates that respond to the innovation needs of enterprises and promote the recruitment of researchers from enterprises", no 7 three-year doctoral scholarships for the attendance of pathways for innovative doctorates accredited under Ministerial Decree 45/2013 XXXVII cycle - Academic Year 2021/2022 and to be accredited under Ministerial Decree 226/2021 XXXVIII cycle - Academic Year 2022/2023 (Table A Subjects Allocated with the co-funding of scholarships for innovative doctorates that respond to the innovation needs of enterprises);

Having regard to the agreement with the Banca Popolare di Puglia e Basilicata, based in Via O. Serena - Altamura) by which the Parties agree to collaborate for the realization of the project called "*Innovative digital financial applications for achieving the social goals of the UN Agenda 2030*" committing to Co-fund the doctoral scholarship with euro 30,000 (thirty thousand) equal to 50% of the total amount of the said scholarship;

Having regard to the authorization of ANVUR Agency published on the website of the PhD program;

Having regard to the resolution taken by the Academic Senate of 15/07/2021 which has approved the renewal of this PhD course for the XXXVIII cycle – A.Y. 2022/2023;

Having regard to the resolution taken by the Board of Directors of 16.07.2021 which approves the budget for the renewal of this PhD course for the XXXVIII cycle – A.Y. 2022/2023

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Art. 1

Activation

A public selection process is announced, by LUM University GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO – Casamassima (BARI), for admission to the International Research Doctorate in "Economics and Management of Sustainability and Innovation", XXXVIII Cycle - A.Y. 2022/2023 (the information on this PhD course can be found on the web site of the University at the following address: <https://www.lum.it/economics-and-management-of-sustainability-and-innovation>):

International research doctorate in "ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND INNOVATION"

**Deadline for the presentation of the application form: September 09th, 2022
(according to the provisions of art. 3)**

Main Office: LUM University GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO – Casamassima (BA) – Italy

PhD program duration: 3 years

Number of Available Places: 5

- a) No. 4 with Scholarship (of which 3 funded with DM 351/22 funds and 1 with University funds)
- b) No. 1 with a 50% co-funded Grant from the Banca Popolare di Puglia e Basilicata - DM 352/22 (for the research project mentioned in Art. 2);
- c) No. 1 without scholarship

Coordinator: Prof. Angeloantonio RUSSO – LUM University GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO – Casamassima (Bari)

Admittance procedures: evaluation of the qualifications, oral exam, and research project.

Language of the admittance procedures: English

Web address: <https://www.lum.it/economics-and-management-of-sustainability-and-innovation/>

Research fields:

- Social Issues in Management
- Sustainable finance
- Accounting and non-financial reporting
- Economics and sustainable development

Art. 2.

Project DM 352/22 of Banca Popolare di Puglia e Basilicata

PROJECT: Innovative digital financial applications for achieving the social goals of the UN Agenda 2030

Academic Tutor: Prof. Candida Bussoli - Full Professor of Economics of Financial Intermediaries

Company: BANCA POPOLARE DI PUGLIA E BASILICATA

Area of placement: General Management

Corporate Tutor: Dr. Vittorio Sorge - Deputy General Manager

In recent years, the two phenomena that are most influencing the academic and business world are related to the themes of sustainability and digitalization.

Sustainability Themes have become increasingly relevant, so much so that in 2015, 193 member countries of the UN signed on to the Programme of Action for People, Planet and Prosperity, "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development." This agenda contains 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that countries have committed to achieving by 2030. The agenda is characterized as being universally valid and each goal can be achieved by taking into account, in equal measure, the three dimensions of sustainable development: economic, social and environmental. Citizens, civil society, the private sector, the scientific community, cantons and municipalities are called upon to share expertise and interests to achieve these goals.

The Digitization Theme is characterized by the continuous evolution and implementation of new technologies, constantly impacting everyday life and all areas of real and financial wealth production. Technological innovations are changing customs, opening up new opportunities and solutions also aimed at achieving the goals of sustainability and inclusion.

Achieving these goals requires a broad financial base and resources from the public and private sectors, on a national and international basis.

With this in mind, the financial sector, and the banking sector, in particular, is called upon to play an important role not only as a funder of evolutionary initiatives and processes but also as a promoter of them.

Financial firms are required to demonstrate a sound understanding of environmental and social issues to make themselves compliant with evolving regulations and to manifest the capacity to generate best practices aimed at generating increasingly evolved products and services and pursuing conditions for sustainable development.

Potential digital applications such as artificial intelligence, cutting-edge payment tools, sustainable investment promotion, innovative forms of crowdfunding and microcredit, and financial education initiatives can play a key role in achieving the goals of the 2030 Agenda. In particular, they can play an important role in the implementation of goals pertaining to: financial and social inclusion (Goals 1, 10); improving the quality of education (Goal 4); gender equality, with greater involvement of women in a still unequal sector (Goal 5); developing innovative infrastructure, promoting industrial projects that enable even small-scale industrialists to integrate into valuable markets (Goal 9); and promoting peaceful and inclusive societies for the purpose of sustainable development (Goal 16).

The objective of this research project is to investigate the possible relationship between the adoption of new technologies in the financial sector and the achievement of social sustainability goals. The work, through multiple types of investigation, aims to test whether and how digitization can be a tool for harmonizing corporate financial goals with sustainability goals. Through qualitative, quantitative, mixed, and experimental analyses, it is intended to contribute to the relevant scientific literature by seeking empirical evidence on whether digitization processes and tools can be used to improve the efficiency and of financial services and instruments and achieve social sustainability goals. Through experimental studies conducted in the laboratory and based on a disciplinary approach that integrates finance and neuroscience, an attempt is made to assess the possible role of digitization in modulating the consumer's decision-making process of banking and financial products and services, while also investigating the role played by automatic and unconscious factors, such as affective processes, which are generally difficult to detect with mere qualitative surveys. This is with the aim of also reaching the development of specific digital solutions or Apps to be marketed.

The study investigates the financial system and intermediaries with a particular focus on banking intermediaries and the relationship with retail customers.

In this context, social sustainability objectives refer to, but are not limited to, the following aspects: financial literacy (supporting customers to achieve higher levels of financial literacy and better awareness in the management of their savings); access to banking (ensuring the availability of credit and the provision of banking services even to low-income or otherwise vulnerable customers; limiting or eliminating any discrimination in the provision of banking services); customer services (provision of services that are increasingly efficient and adherent to customers' needs, reduction of mis-selling conditions, optimization of the process of handling complaints or disputes); money laundering (optimization of the processes of money

laundry prevention and management); ancillary services to banking that can facilitate the achievement of other Social goals among those of Agenda 2030.

The research, conducted in close collaboration and sharing by LUM Giuseppe Degennaro University and Banca Popolare di Puglia e Basilicata, pursues the aim of fostering interchange between the academic and productive worlds. The research activities will take place both within the University and at the bank's headquarters.

The dissemination of the results achieved will take place through the production of national and international scientific publications, publication of reports, organization of events, conferences, seminars of a scientific or popular nature. The events will be in-person and/or virtual (webinars, videos, etc.).

Art. 3

Admission requirements

1. Any candidate can be admitted to the selection process, without the restriction of age or citizenship. They must have a *Laurea* degree (an old system four-year university degree), before the announcement deadline in accordance with Italian law n. 341/90. Or, a Second level specialization degree in accordance with Italian law Decree M.D. 509/99 or a Magisterial degree (five-year degree course) in accordance with Italian law Decree M.D. 270/04, in Economics, Law, Managerial Engineering, Civil Engineering Statistics, Geological, Geographical, Forest and Environmental Sciences, Architecture and building engineering-architecture or equivalent University degrees, or similar foreign academic qualifications.
2. Those who have a degree by a foreign University, which hasn't been recognized as equivalent to one of the above-mentioned degrees awarded by Italian Universities, must apply for the declaration of equivalence to the sole end of admittance to the competition of the Research Doctorate. He/she has even to enclose any useful document in order to enable the Teaching Staff Council to make an appropriate assessment of the degree in question (Annex 1).
3. Those who hold a degree, obtained in a foreign University, who are unable to provide the required documents before the competition, will be admitted with reserve. In that case, the documents will be provided before the enrolment. The same dispositions are also valid for Italian candidates who hold a degree, obtained in a foreign University, which has not been recognized as equivalent to one of the above-mentioned degrees awarded by Italian Universities.
4. The Italian candidates who get the degree within the 31/10/2022 can participate to the admission exam. They will be admitted "with reserve" and they will be excluded from the pass-list if they will not get the degree within that date.

Art. 4

Presentation of the admission application

The application form, whose facsimile is available on the website of the University, <https://www.lum.it/economics-and-management-of-sustainability-and-innovation/#admission-2>, must be filled in, signed, scanned and sent **in advance** together

with all the other required documents, **in digital format** (PDF or similar), **by September 9th, 2022** to Dr. Mariateresa Santaloia (santaloia@lum.it). The candidate will receive a reply to the same e-mail address certifying the receipt of the sent documents and attaching the scanned registered copy or to PEC address: concorsilum@pec.it.

In the title of the e-mail, it is necessary to quote "Admission PhD EMSI 38 Cycle".

The **candidates** are expected to pay a contribution of € 55.00, as the entrance examination fee, by bank transfer, to the following current account:

Banco Popolare filiale di Viale della Repubblica 73 Bari (iban IT64T050340400000000021504) current account n. 21504 held by Università LUM GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO specifying "Contribution for the participation to the admission test of the PhD EMSI 38 Cycle". This amount is not returnable in any case.

Candidates will not be admitted unless they have declared under their own responsibility, the following information on their application form:

- a) their surname and name, date and place of birth, tax code, citizenship, place of residence, and contact address chosen at the aims of the selection process, including postcode, telephone number and e-mail address;
- b) their degree, specifying when (date) and where (University) it was awarded, or equivalent degree obtained abroad. Those who hold a degree, obtained in a foreign University, which has not been recognized as equivalent to one of the above-mentioned degrees awarded by Italian Universities, must ask for the declaration of equivalence with the sole end of admittance to the competition for the Research Doctorate. To this end, it is necessary to enclose the translated and legalized degree certification containing certified transcripts of records of all examinations taken by the candidates and their study plan. Furthermore, candidates should enclose any other documents, translated and legalized, that they consider useful for the above-mentioned declaration of equivalence (Annex 1) (see also art. 2).
- c) a commitment to attend the Doctoral course full-time in accordance with the procedures set out by the Teaching Staff Council.
- d) their level of knowledge of the English language and of any other foreign language (satisfactory, good, excellent).
- e) a commitment to communicate information about any change of residence or contact address chosen for the selection process.

Candidates will not be admitted unless they have enclosed under their own responsibility, the following documents on their application form:

- a) Curriculum *vitae et studiorum* duly signed;
- b) An outline (in English) of their Research Project (max 4,000 words);
- c) The research project. For those who intend to participate in the position with a Scholarship co-funded by the Banca Popolare di Puglia e Basilicata in paragraphs b of Article 1, the research project has to be drawn up in accordance with the directions in Article 2;
- d) List of the qualifications and any other documents they want to be evaluated;
- e) copy of the contribution of € 55,00 as entrance examination;



f) copy of an identification document, duly signed.

Moreover, at least two letters of reference should be delivered by the deadline of this call, **through email as .pdf files, and sent by the teachers or experts who are providing the letter** at the above-indicated email address (santaloia@lum.it).

People who have disabilities should specify on the application form, according to current regulations, any aid they require and/or any request for additional time to complete the selection examination.

The University administration will accept no liability for communication problems due to candidates providing inaccurate details of their residence or contact address, or to any delay in their notifying the Administration of any changes to said details, or to failings of the postal or telegraphic services beyond the Administration's control.

Art. 5

Exclusions

The University administration can make at any moment, until the decree of appointment of the winners, the exclusion from the competition because of lack of the admission requirements.

The clearly justified exclusion will be done by Presidential decree.

The candidates that declare something not true in the application form will forfeit the right to participate in the entrance admission.

Art. 6

Admission process

The Research Doctorate entrance examination consists of the evaluation of qualifications, an oral exam, and the evaluation of the research project.

The aim of the entrance examination is to assess the candidates' aptitude for scientific research.

The admission exam will be held no later than **September 30th, 2022**.

Written notice of the date, time and details of the exam will be communicated on the webpage <https://www.lum.it/economics-and-management-of-sustainability-and-innovation/> **on the Doctorate section without any other advice.**

All the admission examinations will be held in English.

In order to be admitted to the admission examination, candidates are expected to provide a valid identification document attached to the call for admission.

Candidates who are absent on the day of the admission examination, for whatever reason, will be deemed to have withdrawn their application.



Candidates who do not have an Italian permanent address are allowed to ask for taking the oral exam through online meeting systems. **The specific request has to be sent by email no later than the deadline of this call for application. An email has to be sent to the following email addresses (santaloia@lum.it).**

Art. 7

Evaluation of the admission examination

The evaluation of the candidates by the Examining Board will be in the hundredth; in order to be admitted to the PhD program, the candidate must have a minimum score of 50/100 out of a maximum score of 100/100.

A sufficient evaluation by the Examining Board in the different exams is synthesized as follows:

- a) The maximum score for the qualifications and for the other documents submitted to the Examining Board's evaluation is 20/100.
- b) The maximum score for the research project is 50/100.
- c) The maximum score for the oral exam is 30/100.

In the first stage, the Examining Board will assess the qualifications and other documents, with specific regard:

- The academic career (exams held at universities, with grade and number of credits);
- Possible professional experience and other qualifications held by the candidate;
- Possible letters of reference supporting the candidates submitted by faculty members of the candidate's University, other Universities, or experts providing evidence of the strengths of the research attitude of the candidate;
- Possible publications.

The research project should focus on one of the research fields indicated in this call (see art.1) and must be written following the indications provided in Annex 2 to this call. The research project will be changed and/or improved throughout the 3-year program once the candidate will be admitted to the program. As declared in art. 4, for those who intend to participate in the position with a Scholarship co-funded by the Banca Popolare di Puglia e Basilicata in paragraphs b of Article 1, the research project has to be drawn up in accordance with the directions in Article 2;

The oral exam consists of an interview aimed at ascertaining the preparation, skills, and aptitudes of the candidate for scientific research and his/her personal motivations. The interview is aimed at verifying the candidate's knowledge on topics concerning the educational and scientific field of the PhD program and includes the formal presentation by the candidate of the proposed research project.

At the end of the evaluation process, the Examining Board fills a general ranking based on the vote that the candidates have obtained after the evaluation of the qualifications and in the interview.



Art. 8**Examining Board**

The Examining Board is made of 5 members, appointed among the full professors, associate professors and assistant professors at the LUM University GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO. Nr. 2 substitutes are appointed among the full professors, associate professors, and assistant professors at the LUM University GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO who will replace one or more effective members in case of impediment. The Examining Board could even be made of up to two advisers belonging to private or public research centres (even foreign ones).

Before the admission examination, the Examination Board will decide the criteria for the grades to be given to the qualifications and the other documents submitted to the evaluation and will publish those on the PhD program website.

The evaluation of the qualifications will be published before the oral exam on the PhD program website. The Examining Board will publish on the PhD program website the results of the admission examination providing the final ranking for the places available.

The general merit-based rankings will be approved by Presidential Decree and will be published on the notice board of the LUM University GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO – S.S. 100 Km. 18, CAP 70010 Casamassima – (Bari) - Italia and on the website of the above-mentioned University.

The admitted candidates will receive a communication by means able to guarantee the receipt (email or PEC).

Art. 9**Admission**

Candidates will be admitted to the Doctorate program according to the ranking list and up to the number of available places established for the Doctorate. In cases of equal grade, precedence will be given to the youngest candidate.

Special rankings will be prepared for the places with scholarship referred to in paragraph b of Article 1 regarding the candidates who have submitted and discussed the research project referred to in paragraph c of the application. The provisions of the first paragraph shall apply to the extent of compatibility.

The admitted candidates will be excluded if their acceptance is not received within 5 days from the communication of the results of the admission examination on the website.

If a successful candidate forfeits his/her right to a position before the beginning of the course, the next candidate in the rankings will be offered the place, according to the ranking list order.



Art. 10

Awarding

Candidates who have been admitted ***must*** present their personal information and their application form for enrolment, in person or by mail, to the PhD Office of this University, on plain, unstamped paper, for the attention of Dr. Mariateresa Santaloia, within 5 days from the communication of the results of the entrance admission on the website.

They should also include the following declarations:

- a) self-declaration of citizenship;
- b) self-declaration of the University degree with official transcripts of records, of the date and of the University;
- c) declaration in which the candidate states that he/she has not enrolled on any University course and has no intention of doing so for the legal duration of the Doctorate course;
- d) declaration in which the candidate states that he/she has not enrolled on any Specializing Courses, and in cases where he/she has already done so the candidate agrees to suspend or interrupt the course before the Doctorate course begins;
- e) declaration in which the candidate states that he/she has not benefited from previous Doctorate scholarships;
- f) declaration in which the candidate states whether or not he/she is a State employee;
- g) self-declaration of receiving or not Research allowance;
- h) Self-declaration (only for the scholarship winners) of the income regarding the fiscal year before the starting academic year of the program,
- i) for those who are awarded scholarships funded under Ministerial Decree 351 and 352 of 2022 statement containing a commitment to repay the amount received if, for any reason, they do not obtain the degree of PhD.

All documents written in English must be translated and legalized by the appropriate qualified Italian diplomatic or consular representatives abroad and must comply with the rules in force in that State.

Candidates must enclose a copy of a valid identity document, duly signed, the payment of ADISU Tax, the payment of the contribution for insurance for third-party liability against damage, two passport-size photographs and even, for the winner without a scholarship the payment of the annual fee as specified in the following art. 10.

Art. 11

Enrolment fee

When they enrol, Scholarship winners are expected to pay a contribution of 50 Euros towards the annual insurance for third-party liability against damage, as well as stamp duty for the application on the following current account:

Nr. 21504 - Banco Popolare - Sede di Bari – Viale della Repubblica 73 (IT 64 T 05034 04000 000 000021504) held by Università LUM GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO specifying "contributo per assicurazione I anno Dottorato internazionale di ricerca in "Economics and Management Sustainability and Innovation", XXXVIII Ciclo, year I".



Doctorate students (who have not won the scholarship) are expected to pay a contribution of € **4.250,00** per year. The contribution must be paid by Bank transfer on the following current account:

Nr. 21504 - Banco Popolare - Sede di Bari – Viale della Repubblica 73 (IT 64 T 05034 04000 000 000021504) held by Università LUM GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO specifying "contributo per iscrizione I anno Dottorato internazionale di ricerca in "Economics and Management of Sustainability and Innovation XXXVIII cycle".

Moreover, all the PhD students have to pay the Regional Tax for the Right to study according to art. 11 of regional law nr. 45/2012. More information will be given in the enrolment form.

Art. 12

Scholarships

Candidates admitted to the PhD program according to the ranking list will benefit from the scholarships up to the number of scholarships available. In cases of equal merit, precedence will be given to the youngest candidate. The annual amount of the scholarship is euro 20.083,00 gross of the charges to be borne by the University equal to euro 3.839,73 per year and of the social security charges for the amount paid by the student.

The scholarship will be 50% higher than the annual scholarship for research periods abroad (as provided by Italian Law). Scholarships are paid every month, ex-post.

The scholarship will not be paid out in case the scholarship winner, in the year before the starting up of the Doctorate, has a taxable income of more than € 25.000 (twenty-five thousand).

Scholarships are confirmed for the following Academic Year if the Teaching Staff Council validates the results achieved by the PhD students and under the declaration by the students confirming their income.

Scholarships cannot be combined with other scholarships awarded for the same purpose. Those who benefited from a Doctorate scholarship, even for only one year, cannot benefit from a further scholarship.

The scholarships are incompatible with:

- subordinate employment with an ended or open-ended contract in private or public enterprises, except if the employer puts him on leave without contributions;
- Commerce or industry activities;
- Working contracts with Public authorities as foreseen by article 7 item 6 of D.lgs. 30 March 2001, n. 165;
- Collaboration contracts as foreseen by article 61 item 1 of D.lgs. 10 September 2003, n. 276.



The candidate who belongs to one of these categories and who has received the scholarship will decay.

Art. 13

PhD students' duties

Enrolled students must attend the Doctorate courses held in the University, in accordance with the procedures established by the Teaching Staff Council and must carry out their research studies and activities regularly within the structures intended for that specific aim, in accordance with the procedures established by the Teaching Staff Council.

Admission to the PhD course implies an exclusive and full-time engagement of 1.500 hours per year

The PhD students must stay in the University's structures at least 4 days a week and they have to fill daily the "PhD student's Register of Activity" and sign it, where he has to specify the hours and the activities he has done. He/she has not to stay in the University during the period of closure of the buildings and (if it does not coincide) during the annual periods of rest. This disposal is applied compatibly with what is established in the regulation, which disciplines the jointed frequency between the PhD program and the Medicine specialization schools, and even according to which is established by the conventions with the enterprises in case of industrial curricula in cooperation with them. The "PhD student's Register of Activities" is deposited in the "PhD Office".

The PhD student, in its training project, can make, after clearance of the TSC and advice of the Didactic structures, without any increase of the PhD scholarship, activities of tutoring for the students of BA degree and MS degree, and even, integrative teaching for each academic year.

The PhD student must prepare a detailed six-monthly Report of the done activities, both teaching and of individual research. The above-mentioned six-monthly report must be even signed by the PhD student's Tutor. It has to be given to the "PhD Office" in order to be at the complete disposal of the TSC and of the Coordinator that will use it to prepare the "Annual report of the research activity of the PhD student" to be presented to the Academic senate.

The public employees admitted to the PhD program can have for all the period of the program the expectation foreseen by their contracts. The expectation for the employees under public law, of extraordinary leave for educational purposes in order to study, is granted if it is compatible with the requirements of the public office by which he/she is employed, according to article 2 of Law 13 August 1984, nr. 476, and subsequent amendments and integrations, with or without salary and unless there is an expressed claims waiver only if they are enrolled for the first time on a PhD Program, regardless of the kind of program.

The interventions by the Leg. Decree nr. 68 of 29.03.2012 are extended to the PhD students.



The female PhD students are protected during their pregnancy as foreseen by the Decree of the Minister of Labor 12.07.2007, published in Official Journal no. 247 of 23.10.2007.

The attendance of the PhD program can be suspended, after the decision of TSC, for a maximum of one year maintaining the right to have the scholarship, except for the interruption of the payment of it, which will be paid after the PhD student will start to attend the PhD program again. It will arrive only in case of Pregnancy, military service or Civil service and severe and documented illness.

The PhD student cannot attend at the same time a Specialization school or a Degree. If the winner is enrolled on a Specialization school or on a Degree, he/she has to suspend attending those courses before the beginning of the PhD program.

The PhD students who attend the TFA (Active Traineeship) or Masters or Specialization Course can obtain a freeze at the beginning of the PhD program for a maximum of 3 months. This period can be recovered within the legal duration of the PhD program according to the advice of the TSC. If this period will be longer than 3 months, and no longer than one year, the activities of that PhD program must be deferred.

The attendance of the Doctorate Program can be suspended in the following cases, according to the Teaching Staff Council decision:

- maternity;
- serious, documented illness;

The TSC can propose with a motivated decision, after having listened to the PhD student, that he/she can be temporarily suspended by the program, or to be excluded from it with the consequent total or partial loss of his scholarship in case of:

- negative assessment by the Teaching Staff Council of the results achieved during the academic year;
- overcoming the maximum number of absences as it is allowed by each PhD program regulation;
- unjustified and prolonged absences;
- behaviours in contrast with the rules of incompatibility.

In the aforementioned cases, the scholarship will be suspended and the scholarship holder will be obliged to pay back all sums received during the year to which the disciplinary action relates.

Art. 14

Evaluation of research activities

The doctorate program foresees a number of at least 10 compulsory courses to be held in the first three semesters, for a number of hours of at least 200. At the end of each course, it is foreseen a written exam, normally a paper of research. At the end of the first two semesters, it is foreseen a written exam on all the topics of the PhD program of that period. During the second year, the PhD student will make a research and tutorship activity for a maximum of 1,500 hours. At the end of the fourth semester, there will be an oral exam during which the

PhD student will discuss his/her project of the PhD thesis in front of an Examining board duly appointed for the purpose of the regulations defined by the Teaching Staff Council. If the PhD student will not pass one of the above-mentioned exams, the Teaching Staff Council will ask the Rector to exclude that PhD student. The PhD program will end with the discussion of a thesis in front of a special Examining Board; the thesis is prepared mainly during the third year for overall 1,500 hours of research.

Art. 15

Doctorate Degree

The Doctorate Degree, awarded by the President and Rector of LUM University GIUSEPPE DEGENNARO, will be obtained following successful completion of the final examination. The examination can be repeated only once in accordance with art. 8 of the "University Regulations on Research Doctorates".

For the final examination, on the advice of the Teaching Staff Council, the President will appoint a special Examining Board, composed of three effective members and three supply members chosen from among the professors who have specific knowledge in one of the fields of research of the Doctorate, in accordance with art. 8 of the "University Regulations on Research Doctorates".

Art. 16

Person Responsible for the Procedure

The person responsible for the administrative procedure is Dr. Mariateresa Santaloia (Tel: 0039-080.6978219 or 0039-080.6978111; Fax: 0039-0806977122; e-mail: santaloia@lum.it)

Art. 17

Processing of Personal Data

As regards the provisions of Reg. UE679 / 2016, concerning the protection of persons and other subjects on the processing and dissemination of personal data, Dr. Mariateresa Santaloia, as the owner of the data relating to this competition, informs that the processing of the data contained in the competition applications is aimed solely at the management of the competition activity and that the same will take place with the use of IT procedures and paper filing of the related documents. The Office also specifies the obligatory nature of the provision of data and the consequence of non-admission to the competition in case of refusal to supply the same. Candidates enjoy the rights referred to in art. 7 of the aforementioned law including the right to access the data concerning them, as well as some complementary rights including the right to update, correct, integrate or delete erroneous, incomplete or collected data in terms that do not comply with the law. Advertising of the data on the university's website - Contests section - is subject to art. 7 "Duration of publication obligations (Article 8.14, paragraph 2, 15 of Legislative Decree No. 33/2013) of the Guidelines on the processing of personal data, also contained in administrative documents and deeds, carried out for purposes of publicity and transparency on the web from public subjects and from other obliged bodies "published in the GURI nr. 134 of 12.06.2014.



Art. 18**Referral Regulations**

For any matters not considered in the present announcement, reference will be made to the law 30 December 2010 n. 240, art. 19 "Provisions on the PhD programs", the D.M. n. 45 of 08 February 2013, published on Official Gazette nr. 104 of 6/05/2013, the note nr. 3315 with which the Ministry has sent the "Guidelines for the PhD courses for the 38° cycle A.Y. 2022/2023" and the "University Regulations on Research Doctorates" and the PhD Regulation Statement.

This announcement will be published on the LUM website, on Euroaxes and on Italian University Ministry websites as foreseen by the regulations in force.

Casamassima, 01/08/2022

THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Prof. Emanuele Degennaro



Annex 2

Research project

Please use the following format

Title page should include:

Title:

Author:

Abstract (max 250 words):

Keywords (max 6 keywords): ...

Research field (see art. 1): ...

JEL code (max 3 codes <https://www.aeaweb.org/jel/guide/jel.php>):

Research project should include the following paragraphs:

1.1. Literature review

1.2. Research objective(s)

1.3. Methodology

1.4. Expected results

1.5. Expected implications

1.6. References

Research project (excluding title page) should be around 2,000-4,000 words, references excluded.