

UNIVERSITÀ DI PISA

DIREZIONE RICERCA E VALORIZZAZIONE DELLE CONOSCENZE

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RECTORAL DECREE N. 587 –DATED MAY 4TH MAY 2026

THE RECTOR

- Having regard to Law no. 168 of 9/5/1989, and in particular Article 6(1), “Autonomia delle Università”;
- Having regard to Law no. 240 of 30/12/2010, “Norme in materia di organizzazione delle università, di personale accademico e di reclutamento, nonché delega al Governo per incentivare la qualità e l’efficienza del sistema universitario”;
- Having regard to Rector’s Decree no. 2711 of 27 February 2012 – and subsequent amendments – by which the Statute of the University of Pisa was approved (published in the Official Gazette no. 55 of 6 March 2012);
- Having regard to Ministerial Decree no. 226 of 14 December 2021 “Regolamento recante modalità di accreditamento delle sedi e dei corsi di dottorato e criteri per la istituzione dei corsi di dottorato da parte degli enti accreditati”;
- Having regard to the University Regulations on Doctoral Programmes, issued by Rector’s Decree no. 696 of 17 May 2017, as last amended by Rector’s Decree no. 669 of 9 May 2025;
- Having regard to Article 8(1), entitled “Bando di concorso” (Call for Applications), of the above-mentioned Regulations, which provides for the announcement, at least once a year, of a public selection procedure for admission to doctoral programmes, following which a single merit ranking list is drawn up (including both successful candidates and any eligible but not admitted candidates), also with regard to specific selection procedures;
- Having regard also to Article 8(3-*bis*) of the University Regulations on Doctoral Programmes, which provides for the possibility of allocating a share of the available places:
- a) to holders of a formalised employment contract, of a duration at least equal to that of the programme, with public or private partner organisations that have entered into an agreement with the University of Pisa prior to the issue of the Call for applications;
 - b) to holders of research grants awarded by the University of Pisa, subject to verification that the research subject of the congruity of the research subject with the doctoral programme;
- Having regard to Ministry of University and Research (MUR) Decree no. 301 of 22 March 2022, concerning the guidelines for the accreditation of doctoral programmes pursuant to Article 4(3) of Ministerial Decree no. 226/2021;
- Acknowledging that, to date, the Ministry of University and Research has not yet activated the procedure for the accreditation of the 42nd-cycle doctoral programmes;
- Acknowledging that only places with grants (or otherwise covered by other forms of financial support) fully guarantee the right to university studies;
- Having regard to the resolutions of the Academic Senate (17 March 2026, no. 54) and the Board of Directors (27 March 2026, no. 114), which, within their respective areas of competence, approved: a) the doctoral programme offerings of the University of Pisa for the academic year 2026/2027 – 42nd cycle; b) the allocation of

doctoral grants funded by the University; c) the possibility of issuing and conducting selection procedures for admission to the 42nd-cycle doctoral programmes (a.y. 2026/2027), pending the outcome of the accreditation procedure;

- Having regard to Rector's Decree no. 525 of 21 April 2026 by which, inter alia, the doctoral offer has been complemented by approving the activation, for the 42nd cycle, of the industrial doctoral programme in *High Performance Scientific Computing* (HPSC), in partnership with the company S.I.T. - Sordina IORT Technologies S.p.A., subject to the stipulation of the Additional Deed to the agreement between the University and the above-mentioned company for the activation and operation of the programme;
- Having regard to the Additional Deed to the Agreement between the University of Pisa and Sordina IORT Technologies S.p.a. for the funding of two PhD grants for the industrial research doctoral programme in *High Performance Scientific Computing* (year 2026/2027, 42nd Cycle);
- Having regard to the circular of the Ministry of University and Research (available at <https://www.universitaly.it/studenti-stranieri>) concerning the procedures for the entry, residence, and enrolment of international students, as well as the recognition of their qualifications for higher education programmes in Italy;
- Acknowledging the doctoral grant funding received from public and private external entities or from University departments, duly documented through letters of intent and/or formal agreements;
- Considering the intention to include the above-mentioned grants in this Call for applications, listing them in the specific information sheets for each doctoral programme;
- Deeming it appropriate, following the issue of the Rector's Decrees, to make available any grants that may not have been awarded during the procedures for the reallocation of available places, by means of a special Notice, to be issued by Rector's Decree in November. Such Notice will be reserved for eligible candidates who have been successfully placed in the rankings of the selections already concluded;
- Having regard to Legislative Decree no. 198 of 11 April 2006, containing the "Codice delle pari opportunità tra uomo e donna" (Code of Equal Opportunities between Women and Men);
- Considering the decision to use the gender-neutral singular "they" for reasons of simplicity and conciseness, with the understanding that all references shall be considered gender-inclusive in the spirit of promoting equal opportunities;
- Having regard to the internal regulations of the University of Pisa's doctoral programmes, which, pursuant to Article 5 of the University Regulations on Doctoral Programmes, govern the procedures for admission to such programmes;
- Having regard to the measures adopted by the Coordinators of the doctoral programmes concerning the selection procedures for the positions advertised, in accordance with the above-mentioned internal regulations;

HEREBY DECREES AS FOLLOWS

Article 1

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

1. Public calls for applications are hereby issued for admission to doctoral programmes administratively based at the University of Pisa for the academic year 2026/2027 (42nd cycle):
 - a) Biology
 - b) Physics
 - c) *High Performance Scientific Computing*

- d) Information Engineering
- e) Mathematics
- f) History.

The admission procedures, selection criteria for the formation of the ranking lists, specific requirements, available places, and grants are detailed in the **information sheets** for each doctoral programme, which form an integral part of this Call.

2. Pursuant to Article 3 of Ministerial Decree no. 226/2021, doctoral programmes may be activated only after verification by ANVUR of continued compliance with accreditation requirements. Therefore, the selection procedures will take place *sub condicione* of a positive outcome of said verification. Any negative outcome of this assessment will be promptly communicated to candidates and/or successful applicants.
3. The duration of the doctoral programme is three years, starting, as a rule, on 1 November of the first year and ending on 31 October of the third year. In accordance with current regulations, Doctoral candidates who are grant recipients are entitled to:
 - a research budget amounting to no less than 10% of the value of the grant, for conducting research activities in Italy and abroad;
 - a 50% increase in the grant for a total period not exceeding 12 months.

Article 2

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

1. To participate in the selection procedure, candidates must:
 - a. **complete the application exclusively online, no later than the strict deadline of 8 June 2026, 1:00 p.m. (CEST)**, by entering the required information at <https://www.studenti.unipi.it> and **print the receipt issued at the end of the procedure**. This receipt must be retained, as it not only serves as proof of registration for the selection procedure, but also contains the “**pre-enrolment ID number**”, which is **required** to anonymously access the evaluation of the CV and the results of the selection procedures. Candidates wishing to apply for more than one doctoral programme and/or for more than one selection within a given programme must submit a separate application for each selection they intend to participate in;
 - b. pay, by **8 June 2026, 11:59 p.m. (CEST)**, the registration fee of EUR 30.00 via the PagoPA system, which is accessible at the end of the online application process. **The fee is due for each doctoral programme applied for**. If the fee has been paid by the candidate but has not yet been received by the University of Pisa, the candidate will be admitted conditionally, pending verification of the payment. The registration fee is non-refundable, except in the event that the selection procedures cannot be held for the reasons stated in Article 1, paragraph 3, of this Call.
Any technical malfunctions of the platform must be immediately reported to the relevant offices of the University of Pisa. It is understood that the IT system will not allow the submission of applications after the deadline indicated and that late submissions will not be taken into consideration.
2. **Candidates who, as of the application deadline, hold an employment contract with a public entity, with a duration at least equal to that of the doctoral programme, may choose:**
 1. to take part in the selection procedure as public employees, thereby automatically waiving the doctoral grant;
 2. to take part in the selection procedure for a place with grant, without declaring their status as a public employee during the application stage.

In the case described under point 1, public employees must declare their status during the online registration procedure by selecting the appropriate option in the dedicated field available on the “Alice” platform at <https://www.studenti.unipi.it>. These candidates must also submit a self-declaration confirming the service rendered at the public entity to which they belong (Annex 1). Any applicant who, when submitting the online application, declares that they wish to participate

as a public employee shall automatically waive the grant, and the provisions governing the ranking list set out in Article 5 of the Call shall apply. This choice is irrevocable and may not be changed at a later stage.

Article 3

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Candidates are eligible to apply if, by 31 October 2026, they hold at least one of the following academic qualifications:
 - A Laurea Magistrale (Master's Degree) or Laurea Specialistica;
 - A degree awarded under the pre-reform Italian university system, as specified in the relevant programme information sheets;
 - A foreign qualification deemed equivalent to the above-mentioned second-level academic degrees.
2. During the online application process, candidates must upload a self-declaration concerning the degree obtained or about to be obtained, in accordance with Annex 2 of this Call. To be admitted to the selection procedure, candidates must also declare that they are aware of the consequences of making false statements, pursuant to Article 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000.
3. Candidates holding (or expecting to obtain) a qualification from a foreign academic institution may be admitted to a doctoral programme provided the qualification is comparable in level to the Italian degree required for doctoral studies (Master's Degree or equivalent second-level degree). Admission of candidates with foreign degrees is therefore subject to assessment of the suitability of the qualification. It is clarified that the suitability of the qualification is assessed exclusively for the purpose of admission to the doctoral programme and does not imply the academic recognition of the qualification in Italy. The evaluation is carried out by the Selection Committee, which verifies the equivalence of the foreign qualification to an Italian second-level academic qualification (Master's Degree or equivalent), taking into account the level of education, the duration of the programme, the educational contents and the academic rights that the qualification allows in the country of award (in particular, access to further study cycles). **Candidates with a foreign qualification are required to submit any documents useful for verifying the degree** (e.g. translations, legalisations, declaration of value, Diploma Supplement, transcript of records, ENIC-NARIC statements, etc.). Failure to provide these documents could potentially impact the assessment of the foreign academic qualification, thus preventing the Selection Committee from deliberating on the above-mentioned required equivalence.
4. **The foreign academic qualification and any supporting documentation must be uploaded** (exclusively through the online application procedure) **strictly by the deadline of this Call (8 June 2026, 1:00 p.m. CEST).**
5. The University reserves the right to exclude, at any time, any applicant who does not meet the admission requirements by the deadline of the Call, without prejudice to the provisions set forth in paragraph 1 of this Article.

Article 4

SELECTION PROCEDURES

1. Each selection procedure shall include the assessment of the following:
 - the candidate's CV, to which a duly justified overall score shall be attributed, based on criteria defined by the Selection Committee during the preliminary meeting. For certain programmes, the selection information sheet indicates a minimum CV score required to access the next selection procedure;
 - a research project (if applicable). The research project submitted for the purposes of the selection does not constitute a constraint on future research activity. If assessed alongside the CV, the project is evaluated with regard to the candidate's ability to design a research proposal, as well as its consistency with and relevance to the subjects of the PhD programme.

If assessment takes place also during the interview, the applicant is required to present and illustrate the project in order to highlight its feasibility and demonstrate its actual implementation;

- a written test (if applicable);
 - an interview.
2. The schedule of the selection procedures, **which will take place between 22 June and 1 August and 6 July 2026**, will be published on 25 May 2026 at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/bando2026-27/>, indicating the venue, date, and time of the sessions.
 3. The research project (if applicable) and the CV, **signed and accompanied by a copy of a valid identity document**, must be uploaded **exclusively** during the online application process. These documents must be written in Italian and/or English. Candidates must submit their CVs and/or research projects (if applicable) for each selection they intend to apply for. Therefore, a CV and/or research project (if applicable) uploaded in relation to a specific application cannot be used for other applications. **Failure to upload the CV and/or the research project (where required) does not, in any case, constitute grounds for exclusion.**
 4. In the case of a written test, the candidate must comply with the instructions issued by the Selection Committee regarding its proper conduct; failure to do so will result in exclusion from the selection procedure.
 5. To sit the written test and/or take the interview (also via videoconference), the candidate must be identified, under penalty of exclusion, by means of a legally valid identity document. **Only if explicitly indicated in the selection information sheet** may the interview be conducted via videoconference, either for all admitted candidates or upon the candidate's request. Failure to appear in person or to connect via videoconference on the scheduled date and time of the test shall be considered a withdrawal from the selection procedure.
 6. Candidates with disabilities or with certified specific learning disorders (SLD-DSA), who require aids or additional time to take the admission test, must submit a request **by 8 June 2026**, using the dedicated form and following the procedures published at the following links:
 - candidates with disabilities: <https://www.unipi.it/index.php/usid/item/7817-assistenza-ai-concorsi-o-ai-test-di-valutazione>;
 - candidates with a SLD-DSA certificate: <https://www.unipi.it/index.php/servizi-e-orientamento/item/1174>.
 7. Before assessing the CVs, the Selection Committee must meet to establish, during the preliminary session, the evaluation criteria and parameters for the CV and the other selection items. These parameters will be communicated via e-mail to the candidates, by the committee, before the test(s) take place and will be made public at the same time as the publication of the merit lists. The results of the CV assessment, of the written test (where applicable), and of the interview will be published anonymously, by the Selection Committee, **on the Alice Portal www.studenti.unipi.it**. Candidates will be able to access their results using their "pre-enrolment ID number" as mentioned in Article 2, paragraph 1, letter a) of this Call. The results of the CV assessment and of the written test (where applicable) will be published before each test. **Publication on the Portal shall be considered official notification for all legal purposes. No individual notifications will be sent via email. Only** in the event that a minimum score is set for the assessment of the CV, the result will be published **at least three days prior to the first test**.
 8. All further communications regarding the selection procedures will be published exclusively through updates of the information sheet of the specific programme, available at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/bando2026-27/>.
 9. Selection Committees shall be appointed for each selection procedure in accordance with Article 10 of the University Regulations on Doctoral Programmes.

10. In the case of remote participation by one or more Committee members, the provisions of the current Regulations on remote board meetings shall apply (available at <https://www.unipi.it/images/2022/regsedutecollegiali21luglio.pdf>). It is specified that:
- “remote meeting” or “meeting in remote mode” means a meeting in which all or some of the members participate remotely by means of a remote connection suitable for ensuring synchronous participation;
 - the meeting notice must specify that the session is held in person, with the possibility of remote participation for one or more members, and indicate any relevant operational details;
 - the minutes must include the names of the members present in person and those connected remotely, as well as the mode of connection for the latter.
 - members connected remotely will be required to issue a “concordance statement”, including a copy of an ID document in which they declare that, despite working remotely, the operations were conducted collegially.
- Meetings may also be held entirely online, in compliance with the provisions of the above-mentioned Regulations.
11. Interviews conducted via videoconference shall take place as follows:
- Orally, using videoconferencing platforms provided by the University, which ensure simultaneous connection between the Committee members and each candidate, in compliance with personal data protection regulations. This must be recorded in the minutes prepared by the Committee;
 - Audio/video recording of the interview is prohibited. It is also forbidden for anyone to distribute any such recording;
 - The public nature of the interview must be guaranteed by inviting all potential candidates via a link to the event. Any third party wishing to attend the interview may do so by requesting access through the link, which will be published at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/bando2026-27/>;
 - At the start of the session, a link will be provided through which each candidate present will be invited to join a dedicated virtual classroom with the Chair and/or the Secretary of the Committee for visual identification by presenting a valid identity document remotely. This identification procedure must be recorded in the minutes;
 - Upon finishing the individual interview, in a different virtual classroom from the one used for identification, the President must end the connection with anyone who is not a member of the Commission in order to proceed with the interview evaluations.

Article 5

RANKING LISTS AND ENROLMENT

- The ranking lists of eligible candidates will be published by **27 July 2026** at the following address: <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/bando2026-27/>. The ranking list is based on the overall score obtained by each candidate in the general assessment of the CV and the required test (including the evaluation of the research proposal, if applicable).
- If explicitly indicated in the information sheet, **the selection procedure may require the Selection Committee to draw up separate ranking lists for each of the specific subjects advertised**. In such cases, the Selection Committee shall ask each candidate an additional question during the interview for each subject, in order to produce a distinct ranking list for every subject-specific grant. At the conclusion of the interviews, the Committee shall compile a separate ranking list for each subject-specific grant.
- The ranking list shall indicate the **successful candidates** for all advertised positions, including those awarded reserved positions. If, during the online application, a candidate has declared that they are applying as a public employee, they will be automatically admitted to the PhD programme without a grant, and the grant will be awarded to the next eligible candidate.
- In the event of a tie in the final score, priority for the allocation of all positions shall be given to the younger candidate.

5. Successful candidates must enrol by **1:00 p.m. (CEST) on 30 July 2026; failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the position.**
6. Following the publication of the ranking lists (by 27 July 2026), all candidates listed as eligible and interested in participating in the reassignment procedures—should a selected candidate withdraw or fail to enrol—must explicitly confirm their interest in such reassignment procedures. The procedures for submitting this declaration of interest, along with the related deadline, will be published by 27 July 2026 at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/bando2026-27/>. **Failure to submit such declaration of interest shall be considered an explicit withdrawal and the candidate will therefore be excluded from reassignment procedures.**
7. The list of reassigned candidates will be published using the same methods and at the same web address as the original ranking lists. Reassignment will proceed in accordance with the order of the ranking list and the dates indicated below and will only apply to candidates who have expressed their interest based on the procedure set out in the previous paragraph. **No reminder emails will be sent to selected or eligible candidates regarding the deadlines listed below.**

	Publication date	<u>Final</u> deadline for enrolment following reassignment
1st reassignment	1 September 2026	by 1 p.m. on 3 September 2026
2nd reassignment	7 September 2026	by 1 p.m. on 10 September 2026
3rd reassignment	14 September 2026	by 1 p.m. on 17 September 2026

8. Subsequent admissions from the ranking list, after 17 September 2026 and by 31 December 2026, are permitted only for “open” grants (i.e. those that are not related to a specific subject), as more precisely indicated in the decree approving the ranking list:
9. In the case of selections involving subject-based grants, any unassigned places at the end of the third round of admissions from the ranking list will be made available by means of a special notice, to be issued by Rector’s Decree in the month of November. Such notice will be reserved for eligible candidates suitably placed in the ranking lists of the selections already concluded and will be published at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/>.
10. **With regard to the publication of the notice and the procedures for the reallocation of the grants, no individual email communications will be sent to eligible candidates, as all relevant information will be provided at the time of publication of the ranking lists.**
11. **Renouncing any grant (including subject-specific grants) advertised in the Call shall be considered as an expression of no interest in the assignment of any other place with grant that may become available during the reassignment procedure.** This is without prejudice to the possibility for successful candidates in the ranking list who have renounced one of the grants advertised to compete for the positions that may become available in the notice referred to in the preceding paragraph.
12. If, in the case of subsequent admissions from the ranking list, the first eligible candidate has declared, during the online application phase, their intention to apply as a public employee, they may enrol in the PhD programme without a grant, and the funded position will be assigned to the next available eligible candidate.
13. The following documents must be submitted for enrolment, in accordance with the procedures that will be published by 30 July 2026 at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/bando2026-27/>:
 - a) proof of payment of the regional tax (or documentation proving temporary or permanent exemption) and of the stamp duty;
 - b) the enrolment application, complete with all required attachments, using the form that will be made available at the above address;
 - c) a declaration for enrolment, using the form that will be made available at the above address.

14. **Successful foreign candidates who require a visa for long-term stays in Italy** must register on the University portal (<https://www.universitaly.it/>) and request a visa from the Italian Embassy or Consulate with territorial jurisdiction. **At the time of enrolment**, non-EU candidates must hold a residence permit valid for university enrolment or provide a receipt proving that they have submitted the relevant application. A copy of the permit (or receipt) must be sent to the “Concorsi e carriere dottorandi” Unit of the “Ricerca e valorizzazione delle conoscenze” Division. In the presence of duly justified reasons, the documentation may be submitted by 31 December 2026, with no obligation on the University to offer make-up sessions for activities already completed. In such cases, enrolment shall be conditional until the residence permit has been duly submitted. After that date, and no later than 30 April 2027, the PhD student shall begin the programme on the day following the issuance of the visa, and the doctoral programme shall end three years from that day.
15. **Successful candidates holding a foreign degree** must submit the original qualification by 30 November 2026, without prejudice to the deadlines indicated in the preceding paragraph.
16. For any personal communications, candidates must correctly provide their email address. The University accepts no responsibility for the loss of communications due to incorrect contact details, failure to notify a change of address, or issues attributable to third parties.
17. After enrolment, the University of Pisa shall verify the accuracy of the statements made by successful candidates, pursuant to Articles 71 et seq. of Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000. Should any statements be found to be wholly or partially untrue, the candidate shall automatically forfeit the right to enrol and/or to receive the PhD grant, without prejudice to any personal liability as provided for in Articles 75 and 76 of the same Decree.

Article 6

ALLOCATION OF GRANTS

1. The details of the available grants are provided in the annexed programme fact sheets, which form an integral part of this Call. Certain grants may be subject-specific; in such cases, the PhD candidates awarded these grants are required to carry out their doctoral activities on the specific research subject indicated in the relevant information sheet.
2. Based on the ranking order, the PhD Faculty Council shall decide on the allocation of grants to the eligible selected candidates. Grants will then be formally awarded by means of an order issued by the competent chief executive.
3. Candidates who have previously received, even partially, a grant for attendance in a PhD or equivalent programme at this or any other Italian university **are not eligible for a second PhD grant**.
4. The gross annual amount of the grant for the academic year 2026/2027 is EUR 16,243.00. Grant allocation is subject to the absence of any incompatibility as defined by current legislation, including that referred to in Article 12 of the University Regulations on Doctoral Programmes. Grants, including those allocated through reassignment, will ordinarily commence on 1 November 2026.
5. The University cannot make advance payments on doctoral grants funded or co-funded by external public or private bodies without a bank guarantee. As a result, it will not cover any unpaid amounts owed to the beneficiary by the external funder.
6. Grants are paid in monthly instalments. The amount is increased by 50% during periods of research conducted abroad, up to a total of twelve months. This period may be extended to a maximum of eighteen months for joint PhD programmes (cotutelle) with foreign institutions or for programmes delivered in partnership with other entities. To benefit from this increase, the PhD student must be authorised by the PhD Faculty Council to undertake research abroad. The University cannot make any advance payments relating to this increase; therefore, it shall not cover any unpaid amounts owed to the beneficiary by the external funder and not paid.
7. From the first year of the PhD programme onwards, in addition to the grant, a budget for research activities in Italy and abroad is guaranteed, appropriate to the type of programme, amounting to

at least 10% of the annual amount of the doctoral grant, in accordance with Ministerial Decree no. 247 of 23 February 2022. For winners as public employees and for holders of reserved positions as per Article 1(1)(a) and (b), this budget will be financed by the department where the courses are held or by any external bodies.

8. **Each Department of the University of Pisa may decide, at its own discretion and using its own resources, to award additional contributions to PhD students. In that case, the information is given in the PhD programme information sheet.**

Article 7

COURSE ATTENDANCE AND TUITION FEES

1. Participation in the PhD programme requires full-time, exclusive commitment. Authorisation for any paid activity must be requested by the PhD student in accordance with Article 14 of the University Regulations on Doctoral Programmes. **Such authorisation must also be requested by public employees**, except for candidates referred to in Article 3(6).
2. PhD candidates in the medical and veterinary fields may, upon application, take part in clinical care activities at affiliated public healthcare facilities, provided that such activities are strictly related to their research project and subject to **prior authorisation by the Faculty Council**. Such participation may take place up to a maximum of twelve hours per week. It is the responsibility of the Director of the relevant Operational Unit to exercise oversight and assume consequent responsibility for the work carried out by the PhD candidate; in any case, all appropriate measures must be adopted to ensure proper supervision of the candidate's clinical activities, so that no independent clinical duties are entrusted to them.
3. Doctoral students are not required to pay tuition fees but only the regional tax, amounting to EUR 140.00 per year, for each year of enrolment.

Article 8

PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE PROCEDURE AND PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

1. The person in charge of the administrative procedure is Dr Licia Del Corso.
2. Pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation – GDPR), the personal data provided by candidates will be collected by the University of Pisa and processed for the purpose of managing the procedures referred to in this Call. The processing of personal data will be carried out both manually and by automated means; in all cases, the data will be stored in accordance with legal requirements. The provision of personal data is mandatory, and refusal to provide such data will result in the impossibility of carrying out the above-mentioned procedures. Candidates may exercise the rights set out in Sections 2, 3 and 4 of Chapter III of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (e.g. rights of access and information, rectification and erasure, restriction and objection to processing, and data portability) by submitting a request via email to alicepostlaurea@adm.unipi.it. The extended information sheet pursuant to the Regulation is available at the following link: <https://www.unipi.it/wp-content/uploads/Informativa-Studenti.pdf>.

Article 9

PUBLICATION OF THE CALL

1. This Call will be published at the address <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/bando2026-27/> and advertised electronically on the websites of the University of Pisa, MUR and European *Euraxess*.
2. This Call and the ranking lists will also be published on the University's official register <http://alboufficiale.unipi.it>.

THE RECTOR
Prof. Riccardo Zucchi*

* Computer document digitally signed in accordance with Legislative Decree 82/2005 as amended and related regulations, which replaces the paper document and the handwritten signature.

Self-certification – Employment as a Public Employee [Article 2(2) of the Call]
(pursuant to Article 46, Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000)

I, the undersigned _____,
born in _____ () on ____/____/_____ and
residing in _____ () at (address)

aware of the criminal penalties applicable in the event of false or untrue statements, as provided for in Articles 75 and 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000, and pursuant to Article 47 of the above-mentioned Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, under my personal responsibility

HEREBY DECLARE

- That I am currently employed as a public employee on a _____ [specify permanent or fixed-term] basis at _____, under a contract of at least three years' duration, already in effect by the deadline of the Call;
- That I wish to apply as a public employee and therefore automatically waive the PhD grant, with the consequent application of the merit ranking provisions set out in Article 5 of the Call;
- **That I am aware that this choice is irrevocable and may not be modified at a later stage.**

A valid identity document is attached and will be uploaded during the online application procedure.

Place and date _____

Signature _____

This declaration is exempt from stamp duty pursuant to Article 37 of Presidential Decree no. 445/2000

Self-certification – University Degree

(pursuant to Article 46, Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000)

I, the undersigned _____,
born in _____ (____) on ____/____/_____ and
residing in _____ (____) at _____ (address)

aware of the criminal penalties applicable in the event of false or untrue statements, as provided for in Articles 75 and 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000, and pursuant to Article 47 of the above-mentioned Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, under my personal responsibility

HEREBY DECLARE

that I have obtained a degree under the former Italian system / a second-level / Master's Degree in _____ (class _____), on (date) _____ from the University of _____, with a final grade of _____;

or

that I will obtain a Master's Degree in _____ (class _____), by 31 October 2026, on (date) _____, from the University of _____.

A valid identity document is attached and will be uploaded during the online application procedure

Place and date _____

Signature _____

This declaration is exempt from stamp duty pursuant to Article 37 of Presidential Decree no. 445/2000

VIDEO Form

IMPORTANT: This form must be uploaded, **exclusively** during the online application process, by candidates who wish to take the interview via videoconference (only if allowed as specified in the relevant programme information sheet)

PHD
Request form for Videoconference Interview

I, the undersigned [*surname*] _____ [*first name*] _____
born in _____ on _____, with reference to the PhD selection
procedure for _____

HEREBY REQUEST

to take the admission interview remotely (via videoconference).

To this end, I provide the following contact details:

- mobile phone number _____

- email address _____.

Date _____

Signature _____

PHD PROGRAMME IN BIOLOGY
ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027 (42ND CYCLE)

Coordinator professor *Arianna Tavanti*

Administrative headquarters: Department of Biologia
(<http://www.biologia.unipi.it>)

SELECTION PROCEDURES

Total no. of positions with grant 1

BIO_01	Type of selection procedure single ranking list for research project	
	No. of available positions with grant 1 of which	
	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution
	Subject / Research project (if any)	
	Positions with grant	
1	University of Pisa	Development of hybrid nanoparticles to modulate the excitatory/inhibitory balance and promote recovery after spinal cord injury
For information regarding the research topic candidates are invited to contact: prof.ssa Vittoria Raffa vittoria.raffa@unipi.it		
<p>NB: For the above-mentioned selection procedures, candidates who, on the closing date of the Call for applications, are employed under a subordinate employment contract with a public body, for a duration at least equal to that of the PhD programme, may choose whether to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>participate in the selection as a public employee, thereby automatically waiving the doctoral grant;</u> 2. <u>participate in the selection for a position with grant, without declaring their status as a public employee at the application stage.</u> <p>Applicants who are public employees, in the case referred to under point 1, must declare their status during the above-mentioned online application procedure by selecting the corresponding option in the dedicated field available on the “Alice” platform https://www.studenti.unipi.it. Such candidates must also submit a self-declaration certifying their employment with the relevant public body, in accordance with Annex 1 to the Call for applications. Any applicant who, when submitting the online application, declares that they wish to participate as a public employee shall automatically waive the grant, and the provisions governing the ranking list set out in Article 5 of the Call shall apply. This choice is irrevocable and <u>may not be changed at a later stage.</u></p>		

The information below applies to all the selection procedures indicated above

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS (*Article 3 of the Call for applications*)

Master's Degree (LM) /Second Degree (Specialistica-LS) (or Old system University Degree): **ALL**

or
equivalent academic qualification in accordance with *Ministerial Decree of 9 July 2009* to be obtained by **31 October 2026**.
In the event that the degree has not yet been awarded by the deadline of the Call for applications, the candidate must attach a list of the examinations taken, including the corresponding marks.

Important: In this regard, during the online application procedure for the selection, the candidate must attach a self-declaration concerning the degree already obtained, or to be obtained, drawn up in accordance with Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, as per Annex 2 to the Call for applications.

SELECTION METHODS AND CRITERIA (*Article 4 of the Call for applications*)

Curriculum vitae

The CV, duly signed and accompanied by a photocopy of a valid identity document, must be uploaded exclusively during the online application procedure for the selection, and must outline the candidate's educational background, as well as their professional and research experience. **Candidates are advised to submit any documentation deemed useful for the purposes of assessing the CV:**

list of exams passed during the university career with grades;

degree grade;

copies of any publications;

other titles (language certificates, abstracts of conference participations, indicating whether poster or oral presentations, teaching support contracts, etc.).

Interview

The interview shall assess the candidate's knowledge, aptitude for research, willingness to undertake training pathways in Italy and abroad, and interest in further scientific study. The interview can be conducted in Italian or English; if conducted in Italian, the candidate's knowledge of English will be assessed.

It will also include an assessment of English language proficiency through the reading and translation of a passage from a scientific publication.

Videoconferencing **NO**

Interviews will only take position in presence

	Minimum score	Maximum score
<i>CV</i>	30	40
Candidates who have obtained a score of at least 30 out of 40 points shall be admitted to interview.		
<i>Interview</i>	40	60
Eligibility is achieved with a minimum score of 70 out of 100 points		

SCHEDULE OF THE TESTS

The tests may take place in the period **between 22 June and 6 July 2026**.

The schedule of the tests, for each of the selections below, will be published **by 25 May 2026** at <https://www.unipi.it/bando-dottorato>, including the indication of the venue where they will be held.

RANKING LIST AND ENROLMENT

Article 5 of the Call for applications sets out:

- the procedures for drawing up the ranking list
- the date of publication of the ranking list
- the procedures and deadlines for enrolment
- the procedures and deadlines for subsequent admissions from the ranking list.

Important: Subsequent admissions from the ranking lists, after 17 September and until 31 December 2026, are permitted only for “open” grants (i.e. those without a specific research topic).

In the other selection procedures, as they involve subject-based grants, any unassigned positions at the end of the third round of admissions from the ranking list will be made available by means of a specific notice, to be issued by Rector’s Decree in November. Such notice will be reserved for eligible candidates suitably placed in the ranking lists of the selection procedures already completed and will be published at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/>.

With regard to the publication of the notice and the procedures for the reallocation of the grants, **no individual email communication will be sent to eligible candidates**, as all relevant information will be provided upon publication of the ranking lists.

INFORMATION ON THE TEACHING ACTIVITIES OF THE PROGRAMME

Educational project and objectives of the programme:

<https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/scienze-fisiche-chimiche-matematiche-e-biologiche/biologia/>

PhD programme website:

<https://www.biologia.unipi.it/dottorato-ph-d.htm>

PhD programme regulations:

<https://www.unipi.it/wp-content/uploads/regbio.pdf>

PhD PROGRAMME IN PHYSICS
ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027 (42ND CYCLE)
in agreement with Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN)

Coordinator professor *Massimo D'Elia*

Administrative headquarters: Department of Physics
[\(https://www.df.unipi.it/\)](https://www.df.unipi.it/)

SELECTION PROCEDURES

Total no. of positions with grant: 6

FISICA01_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list	
	No. of available positions with grant: 6 of which	
	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution
	Subject / Research project (if any)	
	Positions with grant	
	2	University of Pisa
1	University of Pisa Department of Physics of the University of Pisa	
3	Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN)	
<p>NB: For the above-mentioned selection procedures, candidates who, on the closing date of the Call for applications, are employed under a subordinate employment contract with a public body, for a duration at least equal to that of the PhD programme, may choose whether to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> participate in the selection as a public employee, thereby automatically waiving the doctoral grant; participate in the selection for a position with grant, without declaring their status as a public employee at the application stage. <p>Applicants who are public employees, in the case referred to under point 1, must declare their status during the above-mentioned online application procedure by selecting the corresponding option in the dedicated field available on the “Alice” platform https://www.studenti.unipi.it. Such candidates must also submit a self-declaration certifying their employment with the relevant public body, in accordance with Annex 1 to the Call for applications. Any applicant who, when submitting the online application, declares that they wish to participate as a public employee shall automatically waive the grant, and the provisions governing the ranking list set out in Article 5 of the Call shall apply. This choice is irrevocable and <u>may not be changed at a later stage.</u></p>		

The information below applies to all the selection procedures indicated above

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS (Article 3 of the Call for applications)

Master's Degree (LM) /Second Degree (Specialistica-LS) (or Old system University Degree): **ALL**
or

equivalent academic qualification in accordance with *Ministerial Decree of 9 July 2009* to be obtained by **31 October 2026**.

In the event that the degree has not yet been awarded by the deadline of the Call for applications, the candidate must attach a list of the examinations taken, including the corresponding marks.

Important: In this regard, during the online application procedure for the selection, the candidate must attach a self-declaration concerning the degree already obtained, or to be obtained, drawn up in accordance with Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, as per Annex 2 to the Call for applications.

SELECTION METHODS AND CRITERIA (*Article 4 of the Call for applications*)

Curriculum vitae

The CV, duly signed and accompanied by a photocopy of a valid identity document, must be uploaded exclusively during the online application procedure for the selection, and must outline the candidate's educational background, as well as their professional and research experience. **Candidates are advised to submit any documentation deemed useful for the purposes of assessing the CV.** In particular, the following documents **must** be uploaded exclusively during online application:

- a list of exams taken during the candidate's university career, with the relative mark for each exam earned during the Master's Degree programme;
- participation in schools and/or research experiences, and any publications;
- abstract of the Master's Degree thesis.

Written test

The written test may only be taken in person at the Department of Physics of the University of Pisa

The test is intended to assess the candidate's academic background and may be taken, at the candidate's choice, in either Italian or English.

The exam will include a cultural assessment on general physics topics and/or a contextualized dissertation with reference to a current line of research, and on how this line can be developed into a project.

Interview

The interview shall assess the candidate's knowledge, aptitude for research, willingness to undertake training pathways in Italy and abroad, and interest in further scientific study. The interview must be broad and in-depth, and of a suitable duration to allow the committee to make a detailed assessment of the level of preparation and scientific potential of the candidate. This exam will also include an assessment of the English language skills and a discussion of the CVs.

Videoconferencing

Candidates wishing to take the interview by videoconference must upload the VIDEO Annex to the Call for applications **exclusively during the online application procedure for the selection**. Requests received after the deadline of the Call for applications (8 June 2026) shall be submitted to the Selection Committee, which will assess whether to accept them in light of the technical time required to organise the interview by videoconference.

	Minimum score	Maximum score
<i>Curriculum</i>	0	20
<i>Written test</i>	24	40
Candidates who have obtained a score of at least 24 out of 60 points shall be admitted to the interview.		
<i>Interview</i>	24	40
Eligibility is achieved with a minimum score of 48 out of 100 points		

SCHEDULE OF THE TESTS

The tests may take place in the period **between 22 June and 6 July 2026**.

The schedule of the tests, for each of the selections below, will be published **by 25 May 2026** at <https://www.unipi.it/bando-dottorato>, including the indication of the venue where they will be held.

RANKING LIST AND ENROLMENT

Article 5 of the Call for applications sets out:

- the procedures for drawing up the ranking list

- the date of publication of the ranking list
- the procedures and deadlines for enrolment
- the procedures and deadlines for subsequent admissions from the ranking list.

Important: Subsequent admissions from the ranking lists, after 17 September and until 31 December 2026, are permitted only for “open” grants (i.e. those without a specific research topic), namely: **FISICA01_A**.

In the other selection procedures, as they involve subject-based grants, any unassigned positions at the end of the third round of admissions from the ranking list will be made available by means of a specific notice, to be issued by Rector’s Decree in November. Such notice will be reserved for eligible candidates suitably placed in the ranking lists of the selection procedures already completed and will be published at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/>.

With regard to the publication of the notice and the procedures for the reallocation of the grants, **no individual email communication will be sent to eligible candidates**, as all relevant information will be provided upon publication of the ranking lists.

INFORMATION ON THE TEACHING ACTIVITIES OF THE PROGRAMME

Educational project and objectives of the programme:

<https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/scienze-fisiche-chimiche-matematiche-e-biologiche/fisica/>

PhD programme website:

<https://phd2.df.unipi.it/>

PhD programme regulations:

<https://www.unipi.it/phocadownload/regolamentiallegati/redotfisica.pdf>



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INDUSTRIAL PhD PROGRAMME IN HIGH PERFORMANCE SCIENTIFIC COMPUTING
ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027 (42ND CYCLE)
in agreement with S.I.T. - Sordina IORT Technologies S.p.A.

Coordinator professor *Luca Heltai*

Administrative headquarters: Department of Mathematics
(<https://www.dm.unipi.it/>)

SELECTION PROCEDURES

Total no. of positions with grant 5

HPSC01_A	Type of selection procedure subject-specific PhD grants with separate ranking lists: no. of ranking lists 4		
	No. of available positions with grant: 5 of which		
	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution	Subject
	Positions with grant		
	2	S.I.T. – Sordina IORT Technologies S.p.A.	HPSS – Applications to Flash Radiotherapy <i>Brief description:</i> Computational Methods and Models for FLASH Radiotherapy or for Radiobiological Investigations of the Flash Effect.
1	Department of Mathematics of the University of Pisa	High Performance Scientific Computing for quantitative large deviations in deep learning: simulation, optimization and numerical validation <i>Brief Description:</i> PhD within OTODDLE applied research line: initialization and training of deep neural networks, quantitative estimates, HPC-oriented algorithms and simulations, in close interaction with research group.	
1	Department of Mathematics of the University of Pisa	Open Frameworks for Advanced Finite Element Analysis in Multiphysics and Multiscale Systems <i>Brief Description:</i> The research focuses on developing open-source frameworks for advanced finite element analysis in multiphysics and multiscale problems, aiming to integrate advanced mathematical models, efficient algorithms and scalable implementations, and to	

		validate them on realistic applications.
1	Department of Information Engineering of the University of Pisa	Development and use of HPC codes for the design and analysis of electronic devices based on advanced and innovative materials, also leveraging AI/ML techniques <i>Brief Description:</i> the activity focuses on the development, implementation and use of high-performance computing (HPC) codes for the design, simulation and analysis of electronic devices based on advanced and innovative materials. In particular, complex physical and mathematical models are addressed to describe charge transport phenomena, multiphysics couplings and nonlinear behaviors typical of next-generation devices. The use of parallel computing architectures enables large-scale simulations with high accuracy and reduced computational time. To support these activities, artificial intelligence and machine learning techniques are integrated for parameter identification, model order reduction, design optimization and analysis of simulation data, thereby improving both the efficiency and predictive capability of computational tools.
<p>NB: For the above-mentioned selection procedures, candidates who, on the closing date of the Call for applications, are employed under a subordinate employment contract with a public body, for a duration at least equal to that of the PhD programme, <u>may choose whether to:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>participate in the selection as a public employee, thereby automatically waiving the doctoral grant;</u> 2. <u>participate in the selection for a position with grant, without declaring their status as a public employee at the application stage.</u> <p>Applicants who are public employees, in the case referred to under point 1, must declare their status during the above-mentioned online application procedure by selecting the corresponding option in the dedicated field available on the “Alice” platform https://www.studenti.unipi.it. Such candidates must also submit a self-declaration certifying their employment with the relevant public body, in accordance with Annex 1 to the Call for applications. Any applicant who, when submitting the online application, declares that they wish to participate as a public employee shall automatically waive the grant, and the provisions governing the ranking list set out in Article 5 of the Call shall apply. This choice is irrevocable and <u>may not be changed at a later stage.</u></p>		

The information below applies to all the selection procedures indicated above

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS (*Article 3 of the Call for applications*)

Master’s Degree (LM) /Second Degree (Specialistica-LS) (or Old system University Degree): **ALL**
or

equivalent academic qualification in accordance with *Ministerial Decree of 9 July 2009* **to be obtained by 31 October 2026.**

In the event that the degree has not yet been awarded by the deadline of the Call for applications, the candidate must attach a list of the examinations taken, including the corresponding marks.

Important: In this regard, during the online application procedure for the selection, the candidate must attach a self-declaration concerning the degree already obtained, or to be obtained, drawn up in accordance with Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, as per Annex 2 to the Call for applications.

SELECTION METHODS AND CRITERIA (*Article 4 of the Call for applications*)

Curriculum vitae

The CV, duly signed and accompanied by a photocopy of a valid identity document, must be uploaded exclusively during the online application procedure for the selection, and must outline the candidate's educational background, as well as their professional and research experience. **Candidates are advised to submit any documentation deemed useful for the purposes of assessing the CV**, in particular they should include:

- a) *curriculum vitae*;
- b) a copy of any publication;
- c) a research project (max 5000 types).

Interview

The interview shall assess the candidate's knowledge, aptitude for research, willingness to undertake training pathways in Italy and abroad, and interest in further scientific study, as well as the ability to develop and discuss a research project. During the interview, the candidate's knowledge of the English language will also be assessed, and the proposed research project will be presented.

Videoconferencing Interviews will only take position remotely.

Research Project:

to be assessed together with the CV and to be presented at the interview

The research project must be uploaded **during the online application procedure for registration**.

With a maximum length of 2 pages (excluding references), the research project should be written clearly and concisely and include at least the following elements: description of the scientific problem, research objectives, proposed methodology and expected results. Applicants must include a brief list of references, which does not count toward the page limit.

The research project, assessed together with the CV, is intended to highlight the candidate's ability to design a research proposal and to verify the consistency of its content with the PhD programme themes.

The research project, which will be discussed during the interview, must be presented by the candidate in order to demonstrate its feasibility sustainability and scientific coherence.

The project submitted for the purposes of the selection does not constitute a constraint on future research activity and may be revised or redefined in agreement with the supervisors and the PhD Board.

	Minimum score	Maximum score
<i>Curriculum Vitae</i>	24	40
Candidates who have obtained a score of at least 24 out of 40 points shall be admitted to the written test.		
<i>Interview</i>	36	60
Eligibility is achieved with a minimum score of 60 out of 100 points		

SCHEDULE OF THE TESTS

The tests may take place in the period **between 22 June and 6 July 2026**.

The schedule of the tests, for each of the selections below, will be published **by 25 May 2026** at <https://www.unipi.it/bando-dottorato>, including the indication of the venue where they will be held.

RANKING LIST AND ENROLMENT

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In the other selection procedures, as they involve subject-based grants, any unassigned positions at the end of the third round of admissions from the ranking list will be made available by means of a specific notice, to be issued by Rector’s Decree in November. Such notice will be reserved for eligible candidates suitably placed in the ranking lists of the selection procedures already completed and will be published at <https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/>.

With regard to the publication of the notice and the procedures for the reallocation of the grants, **no individual email communication will be sent to eligible candidates**, as all relevant information will be provided upon publication of the ranking lists.

INFORMATION ON THE TEACHING ACTIVITIES OF THE PROGRAMME

Educational project and objectives of the programme:

<https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/scienze-fisiche-chimiche-matematiche-e-biologiche/high-performance-scientific-computing/>

PhD programme website:

<https://www.dm.unipi.it/phd-hpsc/>

PhD programme regulations:

Pending issuance



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PhD PROGRAMME IN INFORMATION ENGINEERING
ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027 (42ND CYCLE)

Coordinator professor *Paolo Nepa*

Administrative headquarters: Department of Information Engineering
(<https://www.dii.unipi.it/en/>)

SELECTION PROCEDURES

Total no. of positions available 11

ING_INF01_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list												
	No. of available positions with grant 3 of which												
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3	University of Pisa												
IMPORTANT In addition to the doctoral scholarship, at the end of each of the three years of the PhD programme, the selected candidates shall be eligible to participate in an annual call issued by the Department of Information Engineering for the award of no. 3 prizes, each amounting to EUR 4,500.00 gross, inclusive of charges borne by the administration. These prizes are reserved for students who have successfully passed the annual assessment of the activities carried out													
ING_INF02_A	Type of selection procedure subject-specific PhD grants with separate ranking lists: no. of ranking lists 2												
	No. of available positions with grant 2 of which												
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	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution	Subject / Research project (if any)										
	Positions with grant												
1	Department of Information Engineering of the University of Pisa	<i>Development of security solutions for ICT and industrial systems based on silicon physical unclonable functions</i>											
1	Department of Information Engineering of the University of Pisa	<i>Development of neuromorphic integrated circuits for physical AI</i>											
Both grants are funded through the CyberSiliconID Project, which concerns the development of a hardware and software authentication infrastructure based on new silicon chips capable of implementing physical cryptography techniques with very high entropy. Contacts: Prof. G. Iannaccone: giuseppe.iannaccone@unipi.it .													

IMPORTANT In addition to the doctoral scholarship, at the end of each of the three years of the PhD programme, the selected candidates shall be eligible to participate in an annual call issued by the Department of Information Engineering for the award of no. 2 prizes, each amounting to EUR 4,500.00 gross, inclusive of charges borne by the administration. These prizes are reserved for students who have successfully passed the annual assessment of the activities carried out

ING_INF03_A

Type of selection procedure
single ranking list for research project

No. of available positions with grant 1
of which

No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution	Subject / Research project (if any)
Positions with grant		
1	Department of Information Engineering of the University of Pisa and <i>Zürcher Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften (ZHAW)</i>	<i>Enhancing Edge-AI with Spiking Neural Networks and Federated Learning for Resource-Constrained Embedded Systems</i>

Further requirements

The PhD candidate awarded the scholarship is required to carry out an 18-month research period at ZHAW, in Winterthur, Switzerland, subject to prior authorisation by the Doctoral Board. During the stay at ZHAW, the PhD candidate will be partially employed by the institute and will receive a monthly contribution of CHF 2,000.00 towards living expenses. Carrying out the activity at ZHAW requires possession of a Swiss work permit, which is generally obtainable for EU/EFTA citizens, whereas it is not guaranteed for citizens of other nationalities. For the first 12 months of the stay abroad, an increase in the doctoral scholarship is also provided, amounting to EUR 834.89 per month, pursuant to Ministerial Decree no. 226/2021.

Contacts: prof. Francesco Marcelloni francesco.marcelloni@unipi.it; prof. Carlo Vallati carlo.vallati@unipi.it.

IMPORTANT In addition to the doctoral scholarship, at the end of each of the three years of the PhD programme, the selected candidates shall be eligible to participate in an annual call issued by the Department of Information Engineering for the award of no. 1 prizes, each amounting to EUR 4,500.00 gross, inclusive of charges borne by the administration. These prizes are reserved for students who have successfully passed the annual assessment of the activities carried out

ING_INF04_A

Type of selection procedure
single ranking list for research project

No. of available positions with grant 1
of which

No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution	Subject / Research project (if any)
Positions with grant		
1	Consorzio Nazionale Interuniversitario per le Telecomunicazioni – CNIT	<i>Multi-dimensional and multi-platform radar imaging</i>

Contacts: prof. Agostino Monorchio agostino.monorchio@unipi.it; prof. Marco Martorella m.martorella@bham.ac.uk.

IMPORTANT In addition to the doctoral scholarship, at the end of each of the three years of the PhD programme, the selected candidates shall be eligible to participate in an annual call issued by the Department of Information Engineering for the award of no. 1 prizes, each amounting to EUR 4,500.00 gross, inclusive of charges borne by the administration. These prizes are reserved for students who have successfully passed the annual assessment of the activities carried out

ING_INF05_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list for research project		
	No. of available positions with grant 1 of which		
	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution	Subject / Research project (if any)
	Positions with grant		
	1	Fondazione Bruno Kessler (FBK)	<i>Enabling trustworthiness in AI for precision agriculture</i>
Contacts: prof. Pietro Ducange pietro.ducange@unipi.it .			
ING_INF06_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list for research project		
	No. of available positions with grant 1 of which		
	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution	Subject / Research project (if any)
	Positions with grant		
	1	Department of Information Engineering of the University of Pisa	<i>Modeling and experimental characterization of dynamic scaling behaviors in human-derived cell-based in vitro systems</i>
Contacts: Dott. Ermes Botte ermes.botte@ing.unipi.it .			
<p>IMPORTANT <u>In addition</u> to the doctoral scholarship, at the end of each of the three years of the PhD programme, the selected candidates shall be eligible to participate in an annual call issued by the Department of Information Engineering for the award of no. 1 prizes, each amounting to EUR 4,500.00 gross, inclusive of charges borne by the administration. These prizes are reserved for students who have successfully passed the annual assessment of the activities carried out</p>			
ING_INF07_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list for research project		
	No. of available positions with grant 1 of which		
	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution	Subject / Research project (if any)
	Positions with grant		
	1	Department of Information Engineering of the University of Pisa	<i>Research and development of integrated electronic architectures for reliable and efficient System-on-Chip for digital signal processing on board satellites</i>
Contacts: prof. Luca Fanucci luca.fanucci@unipi.it .			
<p>IMPORTANT <u>In addition</u> to the doctoral scholarship, at the end of each of the three years of the PhD programme, the selected candidates shall be eligible to participate in an annual call issued by the Department of Information Engineering for the award of no. 1 prizes, each amounting to EUR 4,500.00 gross, inclusive of charges borne by the administration. These prizes are reserved for students who have successfully passed the annual assessment of the activities carried out</p>			

ING_INF08_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list for research project	
	No. of available positions with grant 1 of which	
	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution
	Subject / Research project (if any)	
Positions with grant		
1	Department of Information Engineering of the University of Pisa	<i>Enhancing the performance and the security of advanced cryptographic primitives with Trusted Computing Architectures</i>
Contacts: prof. Pericle Perazzo pericle.perazzo@unipi.it .		
<p>IMPORTANT <u>In addition</u> to the doctoral scholarship, at the end of each of the three years of the PhD programme, the selected candidates shall be eligible to participate in an annual call issued by the Department of Information Engineering for the award of no. 1 prizes, each amounting to EUR 4,500.00 gross, inclusive of charges borne by the administration. These prizes are reserved for students who have successfully passed the annual assessment of the activities carried out</p>		
NB: For the selection procedures		
ING_INF01_A, ING_INF02_A, ING_INF04_A, ING_INF05_A, ING_INF06_A, ING_INF07_A, ING_INF08_A		
<p>candidates who, on the closing date of the Call for applications, are employed under a subordinate employment contract with a public body, for a duration at least equal to that of the PhD programme, may choose whether to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>participate in the selection as a public employee, thereby automatically waiving the doctoral grant;</u> 2. <u>participate in the selection for a position with grant, without declaring their status as a public employee at the application stage.</u> <p>Applicants who are public employees, in the case referred to under point 1, must declare their status during the above-mentioned online application procedure by selecting the corresponding option in the dedicated field available on the “Alice” platform https://www.studenti.unipi.it. Such candidates must also submit a self-declaration certifying their employment with the relevant public body, in accordance with Annex 1 to the Call for applications. Any applicant who, when submitting the online application, declares that they wish to participate as a public employee shall automatically waive the grant, and the provisions governing the ranking list set out in Article 5 of the Call shall apply. This choice is irrevocable and <u>may not be changed at a later stage.</u></p>		

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS (*Article 3 of the Call for applications*)

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Curriculum vitae

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Interview

The interview shall assess the candidate's knowledge, aptitude for research, willingness to undertake training pathways in Italy and abroad, and interest in further scientific study.

The selection procedures **ING_INF03_A, ING_INF04_A**

Interviews will only take position remotely

The selection procedures **ING_INF01_A, ING_INF02_A, ING_INF05_A, ING_INF06_A, ING_INF07_A, ING_INF08_A**

Videoconferencing **YES**

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Research Project:

to be assessed together with the CV and to be presented at the interview

The research project must be uploaded **during the online application procedure for registration.**

The research project, assessed together with the CV, is intended to highlight the candidate's ability to design a research proposal and to verify the consistency of its content with the PhD programme themes.

The research project, which will be discussed during the interview, must be presented by the candidate in order to demonstrate its feasibility and sustainability.

The research project must briefly describe (no more than 5 pages of text and figures) the general idea, methodology, development phases, and expected results of a research project in the field of Information Engineering, as well as related to the scientific topic assigned to this fellowship, that the candidate intends to develop as part of the Doctoral course

The project submitted for the purposes of the selection does not constitute a constraint on future research activity.

	Minimum score	Maximum score
<i>Curriculum</i>	30	50
Candidates who have obtained a score of at least 30 out of 50 points shall be admitted to the written test.		
<i>Interview</i>	30	50
Eligibility is achieved with a minimum score of 60 out of 100 points		

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INFORMATION ON THE TEACHING ACTIVITIES OF THE PROGRAMME

Educational project and objectives of the programme:

<https://www.unipi.it/en/education/courses/phd-programmes/engineering-and-computer-sciences/information-engineering/>

Curricula of the PhD programme

1. *General*
2. *Industry 4.0*

PhD programme website:

<https://www.dii.unipi.it/en/>

PhD programme regulations:

<https://www.unipi.it/wp-content/uploads/regdotinginf.pdf>



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DI PISA

PhD PROGRAMME IN MATHEMATICS
ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027 (42ND CYCLE)

Coordinator professor *Roberto Frigerio*

Administrative headquarters: Department of Mathematics
(<https://www.dm.unipi.it/>)

SELECTION PROCEDURES

Total no. of positions with grant 11

MATE01_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list								
	No. of available positions with grant: 4 of which								
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MATE02_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list for research project			
	No. of available positions with grant: 2			
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For further information you may contact Professor Claudio Bonanno at claudio.bonanno@unipi.it				

MATE03_A	Type of selection procedure single ranking list for research project			
	No. of available positions with grant: 1			
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For further information you may contact Professor Giulio Bresciani at giulio.bresciani1@unipi.it				

MATE04_A	Type of selection procedure									
	single ranking list for research project									
	No. of available positions with grant: 2									
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Positions with grant										
2	Department of Mathematics of the University of Pisa	Geometry and topology of higher-rank Teichmüller spaces								

For further information you may contact Professor Andrea Tamburelli at andrea.tamburelli@unipi.it

MATE05_A	Type of selection procedure									
	single ranking list for research project									
	No. of available positions with grant: 2									
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For further information you may contact Professor Adolfo Arroyo Rabasa at adolfo.rabasa@unipi.it

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1. participate in the selection as a public employee, thereby automatically waiving the doctoral grant;
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Applicants who are public employees, in the case referred to under point 1, must declare their status during the above-mentioned online application procedure by selecting the corresponding option in the dedicated field available on the “Alice” platform <https://www.studenti.unipi.it>. Such candidates must also submit a self-declaration certifying their employment with the relevant public body, in accordance with Annex 1 to the Call for applications. Any applicant who, when submitting the online application, declares that they wish to participate as a public employee shall automatically waive the grant, and the provisions governing the ranking list set out in Article 5 of the Call shall apply. This choice is irrevocable and may not be changed at a later stage.

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SELECTION METHODS AND CRITERIA (Article 4 of the Call for applications)

Curriculum vitae

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- a) *curriculum vitae*;
- b) Master's thesis or, for candidates who have not yet obtained the degree, a summary of it;
- c) Diploma Supplement or similar documentation relating to the exams taken throughout their entire university career, including exam grades and the final grade for both the Bachelor's Degree and Master's Degree, if already obtained (or equivalent qualifications);
- d) a copy of any publication.

Only for MATE01_A: in their CV, candidates should submit a short paragraph (maximum 1 page) outlining the reasons for their application to the PhD programme in Mathematics at the University of Pisa.

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Only for MATE05_A: in their CV, candidates should submit a short paragraph (maximum 1 page) outlining the reasons for their application to the PhD programme on the subject "Geometric and variational properties of measures satisfying PDE constraints" under the supervision of Professor Adolfo Arroyo Rabasa from the Department of Mathematics of the University of Pisa (adolfo.rabasa@unipi.it).

For all selections: The candidate must also indicate, **during the online application procedure for the selection**, at least 2 referees and their contact details (email addresses and telephone numbers), consisting of academics and scholars in Mathematics willing to provide references, who must upload their reference letter **by 23:59 (CEST) on the deadline of the Call for applications (8 June 2026)**, in accordance with the instructions that will be sent directly to them by email.

Interview

The interview shall assess the candidate's knowledge, aptitude for research, willingness to undertake training pathways in Italy and abroad, and interest in further scientific study. Furthermore, the interview will assess the candidate's basic grounding in mathematics, as well as the research interests developed during their studies.

Only for MATE02_A: the interview is finalised to assess the candidates' mathematical knowledge concerning the subject of the position, their attitude towards research, and their interest in pursuing research on the subject.

Only for MATE03_A: the interview will be structured to assess the candidate's aptitude and interest in conducting research in the aforementioned project, which includes:

- Algebraic geometry (algebraic varieties, scheme theory);
- Arithmetic geometry (rational points on varieties).

Only for MATE04_A: the interview will be structured to assess the candidate's aptitude and interest in conducting their research within the scope of the aforementioned project, which includes:

- Differential geometry (harmonic maps, surfaces in pseudo-Riemannian spaces, complex structures, Kähler, hyperkähler, etc.);
- Teichmüller theory.

Only for MATE05_A: the interview will be structured to assess the candidate's aptitude and interest in developing their research within the scope of the aforementioned project, which includes:

- Calculus of Variations (Young measures, PDE restrictions, BV functions);
- Geometric Measure Theory (structure of currents and varifolds);
- Partial Differential Equations (compensated compactness, functional inequalities).

For selection **MATE01_A**:

Videoconferencing **YES**

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For selections: **MATE02_A**, **MATE03_A**, **MATE04_A**, **MATE05_A**:

Interviews will only take position remotely.

	Minimum score	Maximum score
<i>Curriculum Vitae</i>	24	40
Candidates who have obtained a score of at least 24 out of 40 points shall be admitted to the written test.		
<i>Interview</i>	30	60
Eligibility is achieved with a minimum score of 54 out of 100 points.		

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<https://www.unipi.it/didattica/corsi/dottorati/scienze-fisiche-chimiche-matematiche-e-biologiche/matematica/>

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PhD PROGRAMME IN HISTORY
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Coordinator professor *Andrea Addobbati*

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SELECTION PROCEDURES

Total no. of positions with grant 2

STORIA_01	Type of selection procedure single ranking list for research project	
	No. of available positions with grant 2 of which	
	No.	Funding organisation / Partner institution
	Subject / Research project (if any)	
Positions with grant		
2	University of Pisa	History subject: for research on historical topics in the broadest sense, both geographically and chronologically (from the ancient Near East and ancient Egypt, through the Greco-Roman world in classical antiquity, to the present day).
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Written test

The test is intended to assess the candidate's academic background and may be taken, at the candidate's choice, in either Italian or English.

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Interview

The interview shall assess the candidate's knowledge, aptitude for research, willingness to undertake training pathways in Italy and abroad, and interest in further scientific study. It must verify the organicity, feasibility and originality of the research project. The interview will include an assessment of knowledge of the English language.

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The research project must not exceed 15,000 characters (including spaces) and must include an essential bibliography (not included in the maximum number of characters).

	Minimum score	Maximum score
CV	14	20
Candidates who have obtained a score of at least 14 out of 20 points shall be admitted to the written test.		
Written test	21	30
Candidates who have obtained a score of at least 21 out of 30 points shall be admitted to the interview.		
Interview	35	50
Eligibility is achieved with a minimum score of 70 out of 100 points		

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PhD programme regulations:

<http://alboufficiale.unipi.it/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/Storia.pdf>