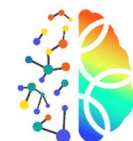




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SUBJECT: call for the awarding of no. 1 Grant for collaboration in research activities – as per Art. 22 of the Law dated 30th December 2010, no. 240 - S.C.: 02/D1 – APPLIED PHYSICS, DIDACTICS AND HISTORY OF PHYSICS - S.S.D.: FIS/07 –APPLIED PHYSICS (IN CULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROPERTY, BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE) – to be undertaken in the Department of Neurosciences, Imaging and Clinical Sciences (Project Number 810377 Project Acronym ConnectToBrain CUP. N. D54I18000270006.- ERC-2018-SyG - Grant Agreement number: 810377).

The project has received funding from the European Research Council (ERC) under the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme (grant agreement No 810377).

THE RECTOR

Considering the Consolidated Act of laws regarding higher education, approved with **Rectorial decree dated 31 August 1933, No. 1592**;

Considering the **Italian Law dated 14 August 1982, No. 590** one of those on this State University is instituted;

Considering the **Italian Law dated 9 May 1989, No. 168** and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Formation of the Ministry of University and Scientific and Technological Research*";

Considering the **Italian Law dated 7 August 1990, No. 241** and subsequent amendments and additions, "*New regulations on administrative procedure and right to access administrative documents*";

Considering the **Italian Law dated 5 February 1992, No. 104** and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Framework Law on assistance, social integration and rights of disabled people*";

Considering the **Italian Presidential Decree D.P.R. dated 28 December 2000, No. 445** and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Consolidated text of laws and regulations on administrative documentation (Text A)*";

Considering the **Italian Legislative Decree D.Lgs. dated 30 March 2001, no. 165**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*General legislation on the employment by public administrations*";

Considering the **Italian Legislative Decree D.Lgs. dated 30/6/2003, no. 196**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Code on the protection of personal data, laying down provisions for adapting national law to Regulation (EU) No 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 in relation to the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC*";

Considering the **Italian Law dated 15 April 2004, No. 106**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Laws relating to the legal deposit of documents of cultural interest destined for public use*";

Considering the **Italian Presidential Decree D.P.R. dated 11 February 2005, No. 68**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Regulations indicating provisions for the use of certified e-mail, in compliance with article 27 of the Law dated 16 January 2003, no. 3*";

Considering the **Italian Legislative Decree D.Lgs. dated 7 March 2005, No. 82**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Code on digital administration*";

Considering **Recommendation dated 11 March 2005, no. 2005/251/EC** and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Recommendation of the Commission concerning the European Charter for Researchers and a code of conduct for the employment of researchers*";

Considering the **Italian Law dated 31 March 2005, no. 43**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Conversion into Law, with amendments of Decree Law dated 31 January 2005, no. 7 containing urgent provisions for universities and research, for cultural heritage, for the completion of big, strategic works, for the mobility of public employees, and to simplify the fulfilment of obligations relating to tax duty and licensing taxes. Amnesty of the effects of article 4, paragraph 1, of Decree Law D.L. dated 29 November 2004, no. 280*";

Considering the **Italian Legislative Decree D.Lgs. dated 11 February 2006, No. 198**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Code of equal opportunities between men and women*", in compliance with article 6 of the Law dated 28 November 2005, no. 246";

Considering the **Italian Presidential Decree D.P.R. dated 3 March 2006, No. 252**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Regulations on the matter of the legal deposit of documents of cultural interest destined for public use*";

Considering the **Italian Ministerial Decree D.M dated 28 July 2009, No. 89**, assessment of qualifications and scientific publications;

Considering the **Italian Law dated 30 December 2010, No. 240**, and subsequent amendments and additions, "*Legislation for the organisation of universities, academic staff and recruitment, as well as mandate to the government to encourage the quality and efficiency of the university system*";

Considering **Ministerial Decree no. 102 dated 9 March 2011** that determines the annual gross amount for the assignment of grants for research activities;

Considering the **Italian Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers, D.P.C.M. dated 27 September 2012** "Technical rules on the identification, also online, of the holder of the certified e-mail box, in compliance with article 65, paragraph 1, letter c-bis), of the Code for digital

- administration, pursuant to Legislative Decree dated 7 March 2005, no. 82, and subsequent amendments”;
- Considering the **Italian Law dated 6 November 2012, No. 190** and subsequent amendments and additions, “*Measures for the prevention and suppression of corruption and lawlessness in public administration*”;
- Considering the **Italian Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers, D.P.C.M. dated 22 February 2013** and subsequent amendments and additions, “*Technical rules on the generation, application and verification of advanced, qualified and digital electronic signatures in compliance with article 20, paragraph 3,24, paragraph 4,28, paragraph 3,32, paragraph 3, letter b), 35, paragraph 2, 36, paragraph 2, and 71*”;
- Considering the **Italian Legislative Decree D.Lgs. dated 14 March 2013, No. 33** and subsequent amendments and additions, “*Reorganization of the regulations on the right of civic access and the obligations of publicity, transparency and dissemination of information by public administrations*”;
- Considering the **Italian Presidential Decree D.P.R. dated 16 April 2013, No. 62**, and subsequent amendments and additions, “*Regulations on the code of conduct of public employees, in compliance with article 54 of legislative decree, dated 30 March 2001, no. 165*”;
- Considering the **Italian Ministerial Decree dated 30 October 2015, no. 855**, “*Riredetermination of macro-sectors and sectors of public bids*”;
- Considering the **Italian Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers dated 6 November 2015, No. 4/2015**, and subsequent amendments, “*Rules governing the digital signature of classified documents*”;
- Considering the report of the **Italian University Council (CUN)** prot. no. 1479/2016 ‘report on the update of Ministerial Decree D.M. dated 2 May 2011, No. 2’
- Considering the **Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union no. 2016/679/EU dated 27 April 2016**, “*Regulation of the European Parliament on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Regulation on Data Protection) (Text with EEA relevance)*”, published in the Official Journal of the E.U. 4 May 2016, No. L 119;
- Considering the **Italian Ministerial Decree D.M. dated 7 June 2016, No. 120** “*Regulations governing criteria and parameters for the assessment of candidates for the assignment of national scientific qualification for access to posts as level one and two university professors, as well as methods for verifying the qualification of the Commissioners, in compliance with article 16, paragraph 3, letters a), b) and e) of Law dated 30 December 2010, no. 240, and subsequent amendments, and articles 4 and 6, paragraphs 4 and 5, of Italian Presidential Decree dated 4 April, No. 95*”;
- Considering the **Italian Ministerial Decree D.M. dated 1 September 2016, No. 662**, “*Definitions of the table of correspondence between Italian and foreign academic positions*” with the related integration pursuant to the Ministerial Decree **D.M. dated 1 June 2017, No. 372**;
- Considering the **Italian Ministerial Decree D.M Italian Ministry for Education, University, and Research MIUR No. 589 dated 8 August 2018**, which defines the threshold values of the indicators of the impact of scientific production with relative Tables 1-2-3 and 4;
- Considering the **Italian Legislative Decree dated 10 October 2018, no. 101**, and subsequent amendments and additions, “*Provisions for adapting national law to Regulation (EU) No 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 in relation to the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation)*”;
- Considering the University Regulations drawn up in compliance with Italian law no. 240/2010 and issued with decree no. 946 dated 25 October 2011, amended with decree no. 349 dated 17 February 2012 with decree no. 1367 prot. no. 47525 dated 22/09/2016 and with Rectorial decree no. 3586 dated 3 March 2018;
- Considering the sentence issued by the Constitutional Court no. 78 dated 6 March 2019;
- Considering the “**Statute of the University G. d’Annunzio of Chieti-Pescara**”, issued with D.R. No. 425 dated 14 March 2012 - Official Journal G.U. General Series No. 71 dated 24 March 2012 amended with Rectorial decree no. 427 dated 15 July 2013 – Gazzette .U. Serie Generale n. 174 del 26/7/2013;
- Considering the “**Code of Ethics of the University G. D’Annunzio of Chieti-Pescara**”,

published on 19 May 2014;

Considering the "**Code of Conduct of the University G. D'Annunzio of Chieti-Pescara**", issued with D.R. No.98/2016, prot. n. 3665 dated 27/01/2016;

Considering the Integrated Performance, Transparency and Corruption Prevention Plan, approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting on 22 January 2019 and visible on the University's website;

Considering the deliberations of the OO.AA in the respective sessions of 13 November 2018 and 27 November 2018 when the deeds necessary for the execution of the Connect-To-Brain proposal no. 810377 funded by the EU – Programme H2020 ERC-2018-SyG, in particular the Grant Agreement with the European Committee, the Supplementary Agreement with the Principal Investigator (P.1.) Prof Gian Luca Romani, and all other further deed regarding the afore-mentioned project were signed;

Considering the University's Strategic Plan approved by the Board of Administrations on 25 June 2019 under the opinion of the Academic Senate rendered in the session dated 11 June 2019;

Since the project indicated has been identified as a strategic University project as per the deliberation taken by the Board of Directors on 24 September 2019;

Considering the deliberations taken by the Academic Senate on 8 October 2019 and by the Board of Directors on 22 October 2019 regarding the authorisation to activate the grant for the collaboration in research activities as per table (1) attached to this call;

Considering the financial availability resulting from the University Budget from funds dedicated to the project in question;

DECREES

ART. 1 ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE PROCEDURE. A competition has been announced, for qualifications and interview, for the assignment of grants for the collaboration in research activities as further indicated and described in Annex (1) to this call, in compliance with the University Regulations issued through Rectorial decree no. 946 dated 25 October 2011 and amended through Rectorial decree no. 349 dated 17 February 2012, Rectorial decree no. 1367 dated 22 September 2016 and Rectorial decree no. 3586 dated 03/08/2018, of the University "G. D'Annunzio" of Chieti-Pescara.

In order to further describe the research activities linked to the project in question, amended Annex G contains an extended synopsis of the project.

The research activity undertaken and the scientific results obtained within the execution of the research grant will be evaluated by the Tutor responsible for the research in a special report aimed at giving an account of the results of the research activity undertaken by the research fellow.

Said report is subject to approval for examination by the Faculty Board or the interested structure following positive examination by the Principal Investigator Prof Gian Luca ROMANI. The examination procedure will be undertaken at the expiry of the grant, as well as upon the act of each request of renewal of the grant itself.

The sum total of the research grant in compliance with that established in Ministerial Decree no. 102/2011 is indicated in the table of annex (1) and is gross of all taxes and expenses charged to the assignee of the grant as well as the University.

The sum total of the grant may, if necessary, be adjusted annually in the proportion of the variation of the national insurance and social security taxes.

ART. 2 GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS. The following may participate in the competition:

- ▶ **Graduates holding Masters Degrees, second level degrees or degrees undertaken before Ministerial Decree 509/99 entered into force.**

The table attached to this competition indicates – if necessary – the specific degrees requested to be admitted to the procedure [refer to annex 1].

Those candidates who have studied abroad must enclose, under penalty of exclusion, the degree equivalent to the title of study mentioned above, issued by the competent authorities, in compliance with the current law in force; should this equivalent degree be lacking, the candidate must present the request for the same educational qualification requested by the competition in compliance with art. 38 of Legislative Decree no. 165/2001, again within application deadline for participation in the competition. In the latter case, candidates are admitted to the competition subject to reserve, notwithstanding that the above-mentioned decision of equivalency must compulsorily be on hand upon drafting of the contract (All information and modules can be found on the following website: <http://www.funzionepubblica.gov.it/strumenti-e-controlli/modulistica>).

The above-mentioned qualification must be on hand by the application deadline for admission to this selection.

The qualification of research doctor in the disciplinary sector pertinent to the research programme or, for the interested sectors, of the **medical specialisation qualification**, represent a **preferential qualification** for the assignment of the grant as per article 7 below.

Anyone who, at the deadline for presentation of the application, have a relationship by kinship or affinity to the fourth degree with a professor or researcher of the Department that requires the activation of the contract, or with the Rector, or the General Manager, or a member of the Board of Directors of the University cannot participate in the selection.

In order to identify said parties, please see the information at the University's website www.unich.it.

In the case of a PhD obtained abroad, it is necessary to enclose, under penalty of exclusion, the decree equivalent to the title of research doctor of the Italian university system issued in compliance with art. 74 of Presidential Decree no. 382/80 or the determination of equivalence of the foreign title to the Italian title issued in compliance with art. 38 of Legislative Decree no. 165/2001. Pending the release by the competent bodies, only for the determination of equivalence can candidates present the receipt of presentation of the request for the same (for the release procedure, see: <http://www.funzionepubblica.gov.it/strumenti-e-controlli/modulistica>). In this case, the candidate will be admitted subject to selection with reserve and, if declared the winner at the end of the competition, said winning candidate shall have 30 consecutive days from the date of communication of the Decree approving the acts by the University to send the Document of equivalence. Failure to send the Decree of equivalence within the indicated time limit will result in automatic exclusion from the procedure. This is to allow the timely call by the Department within the terms of the current Regulations.

In any case, applicants are admitted to the selection with reserve. If additional preparatory activity is required, the candidates must complete their application within the deadlines assigned, or they will be excluded.

Until the signing of the employment contract, the Rector may, by justified decision, order the exclusion of the candidate due to the lack of any of the requirements for admission provided.

Those who have been excluded from the active political electoral roll cannot be admitted to this competition procedure.

Moreover, foreign nationals must be in possession of the following requisites:

- a) all civil and political rights of their State of origin or belonging;
- b) all other requisites required for Italian citizens, other than Italian nationality;
- c) adequate knowledge of the Italian language.

ART. 3 APPLICATION AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS. All applications must be drawn up preferably following the outline attached to this competition procedure (Annex 1), stating all the indications that, in accordance with the current laws in force, the candidates are obliged to provide. The Administration takes no responsibility for any lost correspondence that may arise due to inexact addresses given by the applicant or for missing or delayed notification of change of address indicated in the application, or for any postal or telegraphic errors that may arise or any other events ascribable to third parties, by chance circumstances or force majeure.

Applicants must declare in their application, under their own responsibility, under penalty of

exclusion from the competition itself:

- full name and tax code;

- date and place of birth;

1) (for Italian citizens) indication of the local administrative area in which they are registered on the electoral roll or the reasons for any non-registration or cancellation from the lists;

2) that no criminal convictions exist, otherwise indicating any criminal convictions and indicating the details of the relevant sentences (even if amnesty, remission, pardon, or judicial plea-bargaining was granted) and any ongoing criminal proceedings of which they are aware or which are pending against them, with an indication of the authority and provisions allegedly infringed;;

3) the degree possessed, including grade and date and University where the degree was undertaken;

4) any qualification as Research Doctor held, as well as the date of issuance and the University branch in charge of the course. Any Medical Specialisation diploma, as well as the date of issuance and University where it was undertaken;

5) preferably a certified email address that the applicants wishes to use for all correspondence regarding this competition procedure or the address or domicile, including post-code, that the applicant would like all correspondence regarding this competition procedure to be sent;

6) foreign citizens must also declare their full enjoyment of all civil and political rights in their State of origin, or the reason for which they do not have these rights, as well as adequate knowledge of the Italian language;

7) military service situation;

8) for which Grant they intend to apply;

9) that they do not have a relationship by kinship or affinity to the fourth degree with a professor or researcher of the Department that requires the activation of the contract, or with the Rector, or the General Manager, or a member of the Board of Directors of the University.

10) Considering that stated in art. 22 paragraph 9 of Italian Law 240/2010 which states *"the overall duration of relations undertaken with holders of Grants subject to this article and contracts as per art. 24, also undertaken with other state Universities, non-State Universities and online Universities as well as the entities referred to in paragraph 1 of this article, with the same subject, cannot exceed twelve (12) years, although not necessarily continuous. For the purposes of the above-mentioned relationships, any periods of absence for maternity leave or health reasons will not count, in accordance with the current law."*

Applicants must also declare the existence of any relationships undertaken with the entities as per article 22 regarding research grants or fixed-term research contracts, stating precisely with entity conferring the type of relationship and the exact duration of the same;

11) that they are aware that the University "G. d'Annunzio" of Chieti-Pescara will process all information contained within the application solely in managing the competition procedure in full compliance with the directives in EU Regulation no. 679/2016, having viewed and accepted Annex F that is an integral part of the competition.

12) any declaration regarding employment at a Public Administration, precisely stating the work relationship:

fixed-term contract;

long-term contract;

contracted consultant.

One application must be drawn up for each grant requested.

Any candidates with recognised disabilities, in accordance with the Italian Law dated 5 February 1992, No. 104, shall provide information about any aid they need in relation to their status, and the possible need for additional time for the interview.

Application for admission to the competition, drawn up on unstamped paper, must be addressed to and either presented in person or sent via registered mail to the attention of the Rector of the University "G. D'Annunzio" of Chieti-Pescara - Via dei Vestini n. 31 - 66013 Chieti Scalo, within the obligatory deadline of thirty (30) days from the day after publication on the University Online notice board.

Applications may be delivered:

1) **by hand to the University's Protocol Service** Via dei Vestini, n. 31 - 66100 CHIETI SCALO (CH) from Monday to Friday from 9am to 1:30pm; on Tuesdays and Thursdays the office is also open from 3pm to 4:30pm;

2) **recorded delivery with notification of receipt** within the obligatory deadline. The postmark of the accepting post office shall be taken as proof;

- 3) **certified email (PEC)** dispatched from a certified email account registered to the candidate (e.g., "name.surname" issued by a professional order to ateneo@pec.unich.it (indicating in the subject-matter of the certified email "application to competition for research grant..." indicating the number of the decree and the competition sector) within the deadline set. The deadline will be considered from the date of the advance email notification. Applications sent from a non-certified email address or in any way non-compliant with that provided for by this notification will not be considered valid. It should be noted that the validity of the transmission of the certified e-mail message is certified by the receipt for acceptance and the receipt for delivery supplied by the e-mail carrier, in compliance with art. 6 of Presidential Decree 68 dated 11/02/2005.

In the case of transmission via certified email, the application and all the relevant annexes, accompanied by a digital signature in compliance with Legislative Decree no. 821 dated 7 March 2005 or by scanned handwritten signature, must be in PDF format. The maximum weight allowed by certified email is 50 MB. Should the annexes to be presented exceed this capacity, applicants must dispatch more than one email. The first email must contain the application and state clearly that all attachments or parts of the same will be sent in further emails, all of which must in any case be sent by the final deadline for application and also via certified email. In the subject-matter of the integrating emails, applicants must write "addition to application, number of the Ordinance issued by the Rector, the Department, title of the grant, the scientific disciplinary sector".

In the case of dispatch to the University's certified e-mail, the documentation must be accompanied by a digital signature on this and all the documents on which a conventional hand-written signature would be required.

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Art. 1, letter s): "...digital signature: a particular type of advanced electronic signature based on a qualified certificate and a system of interrelated cryptographic keys, one public and one private, enabling the holder via the private key and the recipient via the public key, respectively, to manifest and verify the origin and integrity of a computer document or set of computer documents...";

Art. 21 of paragraph 2, which states: "... The computer document signed with advanced electronic signature, qualified or digital, formed in accordance with the technical rules pursuant to [article 20, paragraph 3](#), which ensure the identifiability of the author, the integrity and unchangeability of the document, has the effectiveness envisaged by [by article 2702 of the Italian Civil Code](#). The use of a qualified or digital electronic signature shall be presumed to be traceable to the holder, unless the latter proves otherwise...";

D.P.C.M. 06/11/2015, 4/2015 'Rules governing the digital signature of classified documents. (Decree no. 4/2015)'

1. Art. 7. Digital signature
2. 1. The digital signature guarantees the identifiability of the author, the integrity and the unchangeability of the document.
3. 2. The digital signature of the computer documents referred to in art. 2 must refer unambiguously to a single subject and to the document or set of documents to which it is affixed or associated.
4. 3. For the generation of the digital signature of computer documents referred to in art. 2, a qualified certificate which, at the time of signing, is not out of date or has not been revoked or suspended must be used.
5. 4. The qualified certificate must be used to determine the validity of the certificate itself, as well as the identification of the holder and the CA and any limits on use.
6. 5. The procedures for affixing the digital signature to the computer documents referred to in art. 2 are defined in the Technical Specifications pursuant to art. 33.
7. If the annexes to be presented exceed this capacity, the candidate must send them in separate mails. He or she must send the application in a first mail and state that all or part of the annexes will be sent in one of more subsequent mails, to be sent before the final deadline for presentation of the applications, also by certified e-mail. The subject-matter of the additional e-mails must state: "addition to the application, Department, band, competition sector and scientific-disciplinary sector."

In the absence of a digital signature, the candidate, after completing the application with its annexes, must print them, sign them by hand, then scan them and send them via PEC in a "pdf" format that cannot be modified. All documents for which the handwritten signature is required in a traditional environment must be transmitted in signed copy and scanned in the above format.

Candidates who send their application via certified mail with digital signature or scanned handwritten signature are not required to subsequently send their application in paper form.

For the electronic transmission of documentation, static and not directly modifiable formats must be used, without macro-instructions and executable codes, preferably pdf.

Applications that are not signed in accordance with the law will not be taken into consideration if the sender cannot be identified, or if the candidate's personal data is missing.

The Administration cannot be held responsible if the files transmitted by PEC are not legible.

Any applications delivered after the deadline established will not be taken into account and therefore are to be considered automatically refused. Should the deadline fall on a Bank Holiday, the deadline will be postponed to the first working day afterwards.

In order to be accepted for evaluation, the completed application must be accompanied by the candidate's curriculum vitae plus any publications and qualifications considered relevant to the candidature.

Applications sent via certified email complete with attachments must obligatorily indicate the number of the Ordinance issued by the Rector, the title of the grant, clearly stating the Department and Scientific Disciplinary Sector in which the applicant intends to participate. In the event of omission of any of the above, owing to possible computer errors that may arise, the Administration will not account for the lack of evaluation of the application.

The consultation of publications subject to intellectual property rights will be undertaken by the committee in full observance of the current laws on copyright and publishing.

ART. 4 POSSESSION OF QUALIFICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL CURRICULUM.

In the application this must be self-certified in compliance with and to all effects and purposes of the current laws in force:

- a) possession of the degree certificate obtained, indicating the grades given for each exam for credit and the final exam;
- b) possession of the research doctorate qualification, or any other equivalent qualifications undertaken abroad;
- c) possession of the medical specialisation certificate regarding the sector pertinent to the research grant;

- d) possession of qualifications obtained during post/grad specialisation courses undertaken in Italy or abroad.

Applications must also be complete with the following **attachments**:

- 1) detailed curriculum vitae of all scientific and professional activities performed including any undertaking of research activities for public and private bodies through contracts, study grants or research tasks undertaken both in Italy and abroad;**
- 2) list of qualifications presented as a statutory declaration or certified copy of the original (Mod. B);
- 3) list of publications attached and relative description (Mod. C);
- 4) self-certifications as provided for by annex "8" of this call;**
- 5) photocopy of a form of identification and tax code. [The attachment of these photocopies is mandatory].**

In the event of transmission via certified email, applicants are reminded that attachments must be in PDF format.

The Administration is obliged by President of the Republic Decree no. 445/2000 to undertake adequate controls, also at random, and in any cases in which founded doubts arise on the veracity of the contents of the replacement declarations.

In the event of false declaration, the candidate will be stripped of any benefits that may have been bestowed upon him or her, notwithstanding that provided for by criminal law and the specific laws on the matter.

Regarding **scientific publications**, candidates may attach photocopies of the same to their applications together with specific statutory declaration of the notoriety, certifying conformity to the original, in accordance with President of the Republic Decree no. 445 dated 28 December 2000, or PDFs of the same in a **CD-ROM or alternative computer software**.

It is the candidate's responsibility to put forward any publications to the Commission for evaluation; any publications listed but not provided will not be evaluated by the above-mentioned Commission.

Please note that publications that are about to be published are also admitted to evaluation if accompanied by a letter of acceptance by the Editor.

We hereby remind all that a general principle in competition matters is the fact that any qualifications put forward for evaluation must be indicated by the applicant in the application, thereby it is considered a case of minimum diligence that applicants describe the qualifications in their possession in enough detail as to allow evaluation thereof.

It is the candidates' responsibility to recover their qualifications and any publications sent within three months from the completion of the competition and at their own expense. After said timeframe, the University cannot be held in any way responsible for said publications and qualifications.

Module "E" – which includes the declaration of personal, tax and social security information – will only need to be completed in the event of assignment of the grant for the collaboration in research activities (thereby it is not necessary to attach it to the application when sent).

ART. 5 PROHIBITION OF ACCUMULATION, INCOMPATIBILITY. Grants cannot be accumulated with study grants of any assignment, apart from those awarded by national or foreign institutions aimed to integrate, with stays abroad, research activities of the owners of the same grants. Ownership of the grant is not compatible with the enrolment in degree courses, specialist degrees or Masters' degrees, research doctorates with grants (unless the PhD student has already received approval from the Board of Lecturers to discuss the doctoral thesis) or in medical specialisation courses, in Italy or abroad, and entails, for the entire duration of the research grant, a placement in leave of absence, without grants, for employees of public administrations.

Research grants cannot be awarded to tenured staff of universities, institutions and public entities of research and experimentation, the National Agency for New Technology, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA) or the Italian Space Agency (ASI), nor of institutions whose scientific specialisation degrees are equivalent to the qualification of research doctor as per article 74, paragraph 4 of President of the Republic Decree no. 382 dated 11 July 1980.

Research grant owners may, in exceptional circumstances, undertake limited autonomous work, following prior authorisation by the Board of the structure in which the research is carried out, having first received authorisation from the scientific supervisor who must certify the compatibility with the research project and if there are no conflicts of interest. Said authorisation must be transmitted to the competent offices of the Central Administration.

Research fellows cannot hold teaching positions in this University or any other public or private university. They may be commissioned limited teaching activities – subsidiary or supplementary – in the themes connected to the research grant, without weighing on the University budget, and without exceeding 40 hours per contractual year of the grant. Such activity will be certified by the Director of the interested structure. Any teaching activities undertaken by the research fellow cannot be included in the hourly schedule undertaken by the lecturer who will remain in possession of the teaching module.

Any subsidiary or supplementary teaching undertaken – within the limits stated – in Masters' degrees and University seminars cannot be charged to the University budget and the relating salary must be charged exclusively to any possible external funding and not on the income deriving from enrolment.

Subsidiary or supplementary teaching may also be undertaken – within the limits stated – outside of the University and/or in public or private structures.

Throughout the period during which the grantee performs his or her research activity in the University, he or she is covered by insurance regarding any injury or illness deriving from the activity undertaken.

ART. 6 EXAMINING COMMITTEE By Decree of the Rector, upon the proposal of each structure involved in the activities referring to the grants, a specific examining committee will be nominated.

The examining committee will be made up of three lecturers, of which at least two must be tenured

professors within the ambit of the competition sector in question and at least one of the SSD of the research project. Should the Department or structure in question consider it opportune, the Committee may include one further non-University member who is an expert in the scientific ambit of the research activity subject to the grants.

At the end of their task, the committee will draw up a report containing the evaluation criteria. Overall points assigned to each candidate and the final classification table.

ART. 7 SELECTION AND EVALUATION CRITERIA.

The selection aims to compare the various candidates under scrutiny for the research grant, based on an evaluation of the scientific production, curriculum vitae and studiorum and an individual interview. The examining committee must consider the following in their evaluations:

A) any qualifications and scientific publications, including: research doctorate or equivalent foreign qualification, any medical specialisation degree, certificates of attendance in postgrad specialisation courses awarded in Italy or abroad as well as any documented research activity in public or private bodies, via contract, study grants or commission, both in Italy and abroad (in this evaluation, the Committee will be able to award a maximum of 60 points out of 100.)

In compliance with the University Regulations, the qualification of research doctor in the disciplinary sector pertinent to the research programme for which the grant is offered or a specialisation diploma in the medical area will be awarded 20 points.

The Committee will carry out a comparative evaluation of the publications submitted on the basis of the following criteria:

- a) Originality, innovation, rigorous methodology, and relevance of each scientific publication;
- b) Consistency of each publication with the competitive exam sector for which the selection procedure is called and with any profile, which is defined only by specifying one or more scientific/discipline areas, or through interdisciplinary matters related thereto;
- c) Scientific relevance of the editorial position of each publication and its dissemination within the scientific community;
- d) Analytical determination, on the basis of criteria set forth in the reference international scientific community, of the individual contribution of the applicant in the case of participation of the applicant in team works.

In the context of competitive exam sectors in which their use is consolidated at the international level, the Committee shall also make use of the following indicators, in assessing publications, which refer to the date of expiry of the deadline for submission of applications:

- a) Total number of references;
- b) Average number of references per publication;
- c) Total "impact factor";
- d) Average "impact factor" per publication;
- e) Combinations of the above parameters aimed at increasing the impact of the candidate's scientific production (Hirsch index, or similar).

For non-bibliometric fields, the Committee may take into account the fact that the publication is a) included in the list of scientific journals;

b) included in the list of "class A" scientific journals.

B) the outcome of the interview (in this evaluation, the Committee will be able to award a maximum of 40 points out of 100).

Throughout the interview, the candidate may be asked questions about the subject for which the research grant is offered as indicated by the qualification of the same. The aim of the interview must be to evaluate the candidate following criteria that is open, efficient, transparent and comparable to the international levels.

The examining committee will first evaluate the qualifications and curriculum vitae of the candidates attributing them the relative points; it will then evaluate the scientific publications attributing the relative points. **Only those candidates who obtain 20/100 points or more in the above-mentioned evaluations will be admitted to the interview.**

Only those candidates obtaining the above evaluation (20/100) will be informed in a timely manner – 20 solar and consecutive days – and called to present themselves for the interview via registered mail/personal certified email and with an advance notification via email. To save time,

the deadline will in any case start from the date of the advance email notification. To this end, we recommend candidates provide a current and regularly consulted email address. Those candidates who do not pass the initial selection as stated above will not be informed of this. The above will be considered in the decree to approve the procedure and the nomination of the winner.

In order to be admitted to the interview, on the established and communicated date and place, candidates must come with a valid form of identification.

The classification will be based on the overall scores obtained by each candidate in the evaluation of the scientific qualifications stated in the curriculum vitae, of the publications and the individual interview.

Should a candidate fail to attend, this will be taken as a tacit waiver of his or her candidature.

The competition procedure will conclude with the nomination of the successful candidate and the formation of a classification of suitable candidates for a year at most, the use of which is bound by the specific requirements indicated in the call.

ART. 8 ASSIGNMENT OF THE RESEARCH GRANT. A contract will be drawn up with the winner of each procedure for the research activities and signed by the Rector of the University of Chieti-Pescara and the Tutor.

Upon signing the contract, the research fellow takes on the rights and responsibilities as per art. 10 of the Regulations and the University takes on all commitments due the research fellow as per art. 11.

The assignee must formally accept within ten (10) days from receiving the notification and will then be invited to sign the relative contract in the competent Office of the Centrale Administration – Personnel Area.

Should the winner fail to formally accept, the research grant may be assigned to the next candidate in the classification. Should it prove impossible to assign the research grant, this may be put to competition just one more time within a deadline that allows the research grant to be assigned before the end of the financial year.

The winner will be invited to provide a statutory declaration of the following information:

- 1) date and place of birth;
- 2) full enjoyment of political rights;
- 3) that there are no criminal convictions; otherwise, the winners must provide a statutory declaration of the relevant sentences, date of sentence of the judicial authority that issued it (even if amnesty, remission, pardon or judicial plea-bargaining, etc. was granted and even if there is no criminal record. All criminal convictions must be stated regardless of nature). Foreign citizens must also provide a statutory declaration that they have no criminal convictions in either their State of origin or in Italy;
- 4) health insurance and tax registration codes, and any other information found in the Anagrafe Tributaria (fiscal database) archives pertinent to the same;
- 5) that they are not in possession of any other study grants awarded for any reason and that they do not hold tenured positions of employment in the entities listed in the first paragraph of art. 5 of this call.
- 6) that they are not already employed by a Public Administration with a long-term or fixed-term contract or as a contracted consultant ;
- 7) or that they are employed by a Public Administration with a long-term or fixed-term contract or on leave from service from the Public Administration as per annexed documentation.

Should the winner be afflicted by any physical limitations, the certificate must mention this indicating whether or not said limitations may limit their collaboration in research activities. Said certification must be dated no earlier than six months from the date that the collaboration is to take effect.

The status, facts and personal qualities self-certified by the winner of this competition will be subject to adequate checks to verify the veracity thereof by the University "G. D'Annunzio" of Chieti-Pescara.

All personal data transmitted by candidates in applications to partake in the competition, in compliance with EU Regulation 2016/679, will be processed exclusively for the management of this procedure and any possible procedures to assign the grant in question.

The University regulations, in particular that regarding the assignment of the research grants, the University's Code of Ethics and the University's Code of Conduct, can be viewed here: <http://www.unich.it/ateneo/organizzazione/normativa-di-ateneo>

Any candidates who, within the terms set by the Administration, fail to accept or commence the research activities within the set terms will forfeit their right to the grant to collaborate in research activities. The contract will be considered rescinded with no need for forewarning in the event of annulment of the selection process.

In order to determine the date of effect of service, delays can only be justified in the event of duly proven and documented serious health conditions or causes of force majeure.

Any deferrals of the start date of the research activities or interruptions of the same that may arise will only be allowed if the winner or grant owner can prove they fall within the conditions provided for working mothers (Legislative Decree no. 151 dated 26/3/2001).

Any grant owner who – having commenced the research activity – should fail to continue it regularly and without interruption for the entire duration of the grant without giving suitable justification or who fails to attend on several occasions, will be subject to a process to resolve the relationship.

For all other matters not expressly covered in this call, reference must be made to the provisions of the law cited in the introduction to this competition as well as the Italian Civil Code, where applicable.

ART. 9 TAXATION AND NATIONAL INSURANCE. The grant in question is subject, for taxation matters, to the provisions of art. 4 of Italian Law no. 476 dated 13 August 1984 and subsequent amendments and integrations, as well as, regarding national insurance, those of art. 2, paragraph 26 and subsequent paragraphs of Italian Law no. 335 dated 8 August 1995 and subsequent amendments and integrations.

Regarding mandatory maternity leave, here we refer to the provisions of the Decree of the Ministry of Work and Social Security dated 12/07/2007, published in the Official Gazette edition no. 247 dated 23/10/2007.

Throughout the period of mandatory maternity leave, indemnity paid by INPS (Social Security Service) in compliance with article 5 of the above-mentioned decree no. 247 is supplemented by funding deriving from the budget of the Department or structure interested, up to the contribution of the entire amount of the grant, or from the MIUR funds specifically paid to that end as per art. 29 Italian Law no. 240/2010.

Regarding sick leave, we refer to art. 1 paragraph 788 of Italian Law no. 296 dated 27 December 2006, and subsequent amendments.

The University will draw up adequate insurance policies against injury and for third party responsibility for the grant holders in order to cover any risks deriving from the research activities subject to the grant. The amount of the relative annual policies will be detracted from the grant due each holder.

ART. 10 PERSONAL DATA PROCESSING All personal data will be processed in compliance with Legislative Decree 196/2003 as adjusted to EU Regulation 2016/679 as per Legislative Decree 101/2018.

The personal data transmitted by the candidates with their applications for participation are processed exclusively for the purposes of managing this call and the procedures related to it, also in the event of litigation.

The provision of data is mandatory for the purposes of participation in the selection.

In view of the above, the candidate is invited to read the annex relating to the information on the processing of personal data, which is annexed to this notice and is an integral part thereof (All. F).

ART. 11 DATA PROCESSING MANAGER In compliance with art. 5 of Italian Law no. 241 dated 7 August 1990, the data processing manager in charge of this call is Dr Valentina ALBERTAZZI - Division 13 – Teaching Staff – Teaching and Research Staff Recruitment Sector - Via dei Vestini n. 31 - 66100 Chieti Scalo (CH) tel. 0871/3556080/6058/6057, email assegnidiricerca@unich.it.

The Sector indicated for Research Grant activities is open to the public at the following times: from Monday to Friday from 9am to 1pm.

Annexes: (Form 1) declaratory judgement of research grant

Mod. A facsimile of the application;

Mod. B declaration of affidavit and statutory certification;

Mod. C list of publications presented for evaluation;
Mod. D declaration of exams undertaken;
Mod. E declaration of personal, fiscal and national insurance data;
Mod. F personal data information.
Mod. G (extended synopsis of the project).

The European format curriculum is also available.

This decree will be added to the register of this Administration.

Chieti, 24/02/2020.

*Signed The Rector
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