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**Call for Doctoral positions in the International Doctoral School in
“Information and Communication Technologies” - 29th Cycle
Telecommunications Area**

THE RECTOR

Given Law no. 210 of the 3rd of July, 1998, and in particular, art. 4, as amended by article 19, section 1, of law no. 240 of 30 December 2010 ;
Given Ministerial Decree no. 224 of the 30th April, 1999, regarding the general criteria to be followed by individual universities in the organization of doctoral studies;
Given the Decree by the Prime Minister of the 9th of April, 2001, and subsequent amendments, on the general criteria for uniform treatment regarding the right to higher education;
Given the Statute of the University of Trento issued with Rector's Decree no. 167 of the 23rd of April, 2012, in particular art. 28;
Given the University Regulations for Doctoral Schools, issued with Rector's Decree no. 997 of the 16th of December, 2003 and subsequent amendments;
Given the proposal made by the Department of Information Engineering and Computer Science;
Given the report of the internal Evaluation Committee of the 22nd of January 2013 concerning the requisites of appropriateness proposed by the Doctoral Schools;
Given the decision by the Academic Senate of the 29th of January 2013;

DECREES

Art. 1 – INSTITUTION

The University of Trento announces the institution of the 29th cycle of the International Doctoral School in Information and Communication Technology, for the academic year 2013/14

Duration: three years

Head of the School: Prof. Nicolae Sebe – E-mail: infoict@disi.unitn.it

Official Language: English

Discipline: INF/01 *Computer Science*
 ING-INF/01 *Electronics*
 ING-INF/02 *Electromagnetic Fields*
 ING-INF/03 *Telecommunications*
 ING-INF/04 *Automated Reasoning*
 ING-INF/05 *Information Processing and Computer Engineering*
 ING-INF/06 *Bioelectronics and Bioinformatics*
 ING-INF/07 *Electrical and Electronic Measurements*

Hereby announced is the selection process **for 11 positions of which 7 are covered by a study grant.**

Grants are financed as follows:

5 study grants: University of Trento;

1 study grant: Department of Information Engineering and Computer Science, relative to the project “*Innovative Strategies for Robust Antenna Array Analysis and Design*”;

1 study grant: Department of Information Engineering and Computer Science, relative to the project “*Analysis of multispectral and SAR remote sensing images for environmental monitoring*”;

For further details on research topics see the web page: http://ict.unitn.it/application/project_specific_grants



The number of grant-assisted places may be increased by funds from other universities, public research bodies or qualified private enterprises made available following the publication of this Call and before the selection process. For this reason, the increase of the grants may in parallel change the total number of the positions available. Any increase in the total number of places available will be posted on the website: <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/29219/announcement-of-selection-call-22013>

Art. 2 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applications for admission to the Doctoral School are accepted from candidates, regardless of gender, age, religion or nationality, who have an Italian “laurea magistrale” according to Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22.10.2004 and subsequent amendments, a university degree according to the previous regulations in force, or an equivalent degree qualification obtained abroad (Master’s degree).

Applications are also accepted from students who expect to complete their degree or foreign equivalent academic qualification by the 31st of October 2013. They must attach the following documentation to their online application:

- a certificate of enrolment with examinations taken and grades obtained (EU citizens may present a self-declaration of the certification in accordance with art. 46 of the Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments, by using Annex A); if this document is not in English, the candidate must provide, in the same file, a translation of the same duly undersigned;
- a statement by the thesis supervisor declaring that the student will complete his/her degree **by the 31st October 2013**.

If an applicant is successful, admission to the Doctoral School will be “*conditional*” and the relevant degree certificate will have to be submitted to the Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione Polo Collina, Via Sommarive 14 - 38123 Povo – Trento (email: dottorati-collina@unitn.it; fax +39 0461 281699) on penalty of exclusion (EU citizens may present a self-declaration of the possession of the degree in accordance with art. 46 of the Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000 and further modifications, by using Annex A) **by the 12th of November 2013**.

Art. 3 – FOREIGN QUALIFICATIONS

Foreign university qualification (Master’s degree) must be comparable to the *laurea magistrale* in terms of duration, level and topic. The Doctoral School Committee declares its eligibility.

Applicants with a foreign qualification that has not been officially recognised as equivalent¹ to an Italian degree will be considered as requesting for equivalence in their application. In this case, it is necessary to submit the following documents:

- degree certificate with examinations taken and grades obtained (EU citizens may present a self-declaration of possession of the degree in accordance with the Presidential Decree art. 46 no. 445 of 28.12.2000 and further modifications, by using Annex A);
- translation into English, if in a different language, of the degree certificate with examinations taken and grades obtained undersigned by the applicant, on his/her own responsibility in order to enable the Doctoral School Committee to declare its equivalence, for the sole purpose of admission to the selection process of this Call;
- any other official document concerning the foreign degree which can be considered useful for its evaluation (Diploma Supplement² or declaration of validity in loco³ etc.)

Successful applicants holding an academic certificate obtained outside Italy must submit to the Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione Polo Collina, Via Sommarive 14 - 38123 Povo (email: dottorati-collina@unitn.it; fax +39 0461 281699) by no later than the 30th of November 2013:

- a **Declaration of Validity in loco** (“Dichiarazione di Valore in loco”) and their degree certificate with its corresponding examinations and grades, all these translated and legally certified by the Italian diplomatic delegations in the country where the institution that issued the certificate is located. The Declaration of Validity should certify that the university degree is valid and enables candidates to enrol on a PhD course in the country where it was obtained.

¹ For further information visit <http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=134>

² The Diploma Supplement accompanies a higher education diploma providing improvement in international “transparency” and promotion of the academic and professional qualifications obtained (diploma, degrees, certificates, etc.) The Diploma Supplement must be **issued** by the same institution that issued the qualification. Further information at: http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/doc1239_en.htm

³ Further information about DV at <http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=176>



- **or**, alternatively to the Declaration of Validity, the Diploma Supplement can be provided issued in English language and according to the model developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and the UNESCO/CEPES.

Lack of these documents precludes the Doctoral Title conferral.

Art. 4 - DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

The Doctoral School relies on the multidisciplinary expertise of the teaching staff and the availability of a range of scientific laboratories at the University, Research Institutes and top-level partner companies.

The Doctoral School offers doctoral students the opportunity to acquire advanced skills in specific research fields, as listed in art. 1 and collateral sectors, thereby favouring an interdisciplinary approach to innovative fields in diverse scientific areas.

The programme includes the following research areas:

- Signal Processing and Recognition (SPR)
- Wireless Networking (WN)
- Media
- Remote and Distributed Sensing (RDS)
- Language Speech and Interaction (LSI)

In regard to the Manifesto, study plan, admission to second and third year and award of the title, all information can be found in the Executive Regulations on-line at

http://static.digns.com/uploads/doctoral_school/documents/regulations/n_a.pdf

Art. 5 – APPLICATION

Application for the PhD program is made by completing the online process that involves two phases:

1) registry on the University's website at <http://www.unitn.it/account> by entering the information requested. Within a maximum of 2 business days applicants will receive a username and password by email, these being credentials needed in order to utilize the UNITN's online services;

2) compilation of the application⁴, complete with the requested attachments in electronic format, available at <http://www.unitn.it/en/apply/dott>.

Note that the application procedure must be definitively and positively concluded by 4:00 p.m. Italian time of the 30th day from the day after this selection announcement has been published in the *Gazzetta Ufficiale* of the Italian Republic.

The administration strongly recommends that candidates ensure that they have received the notification email confirming the definitive completion of the application procedure.

Candidates are asked not to wait until the last days prior to the deadline before submitting their applications. The University of Trento assumes no liability for any malfunctions due to technical problems and/or the overloading of the communication line and/or systems application or for the loss of documents due to incorrect addressing by the candidate or late notification of change to the address indicated in the application, nor for any errors attributable to acts of third parties, to unforeseeable circumstances or force majeure.

The application is to be considered by law a self-declaration of the personal data and qualifications stated.

Applications not submitted using the online procedure specified in this article, paragraph 1, incomplete and irregular applications, and applications lacking the mandatory attachments will not be considered valid.

All applicants are admitted to the selection procedure conditionally upon ascertainment that they fulfill the admission requirements.

The University of Trento has the right to verify the documents delivered pursuant to articles 71 et seq. of the Presidential Decree No. 445 of the 28.12.2000. The School has the right to exclude from this call, for justified reasons, applicants who have failed to fulfil the requirements stipulated for this call.

According to Italian Law No. 104/92, Article 20 and to Italian Law No. 68/99, Article 16 (1), applicants with special needs or affected by learning disabilities are expected to indicate explicitly in their application whether they require special assistance or extra time during the interview. Under Legislative Decree 196/03, all information will be kept confidential.

⁴ The candidate has the option of filling out the application in either Italian or English.



MANDATORY ATTACHMENTS (failure to upload one or more mandatory attachments results in exclusion from the selection)

1) Identifying document (ID):

- A copy of the applicant's current **identity card** (only EU citizens) or **passport**, in particular of the pages reporting photograph, personal data, number, place and date of issue and expiry date. No other identity document will be accepted;

2) academic certificates - Laurea magistrale, Master's degree or PhD:

- **for applicants with an Italian qualification** (laurea magistrale or PhD): a self-declaration, in accordance with Presidential Decree art. 46 no. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments, declaring the possession of a degree (art.2 of this Call), conferral date, issuing University, final grade, examinations taken and grades obtained (by using Annex A);
- **for applicants with a foreign qualification** (Master's degree or PhD): degree certificate with examinations taken and grades obtained or equivalent certification, under art. 3 of this Call. If the qualification has not been officially recognised as equivalent to a laurea magistrale or a university degree of the previous regulations in force, the applicant should also submit a translation into English, if in a different language, of the academic certificate with the examinations taken and grades obtained, undersigned by the applicant, on his/her own responsibility (or, if already possessed, a copy of the degree certificate with examinations taken and grades obtained, translated and legally certified by the Italian diplomatic delegations in the country where the institution that issued the degree certificate is located, together with the Declaration of Validity). The certificate is required to enable the Doctoral School Committee to declare its equivalence, for the sole purpose of admission to this Call. In this regard, it is recommended that students with foreign qualifications attach the *Diploma Supplement*⁵ or an analogous document, if available.
- **for applicants who expect to complete their degree by the 31st of October 2013.**
 - enrolment certificate with examinations taken and grades obtained (EU citizens may present a self-declaration of the possession of the degree according to art. 46 of the Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments by using Annex A); if this document is not in English, the candidate must provide, in the same file, a translation of the same duly undersigned;
 - a statement by the thesis supervisor declaring that the student will complete his/her degree **by the 31st October 2013**. Those who do not complete their degree by the afore-mentioned deadline will not be admitted to the Doctoral School;

3) a short thesis summary in English (maximum 2000 characters, spaces included) structured as follows: motivations of the thesis, methods of investigation, final results;

4) curriculum vitae in English, with a list of publications if any. Please do not send the actual publications; only the list will be considered by the commission;

5) statement of purpose: a short statement (maximum 5000 characters, spaces included) in English highlighting the reasons for the applicant's interest in attending the Doctoral School and outlining his/her specific research interests. The template is downloadable from the online application.

This text may optionally include a link (and the access credentials, if necessary) forwarding to a video (1-2 minutes) in which the applicant describes his/her goals and research interests (please upload the video, not to the UNITN web site, but to an on-line service and provide only the link and credentials);

6) The "Signed acceptance document" in pdf format which is automatically generated by the online application: this document must be printed, signed and then uploaded in the specific section "Upload of the Signed acceptance document" of the online application.

⁵ The *Diploma Supplement* accompanies a higher education diploma, providing an improvement in international "transparency" and a promotion of the academic and professional qualifications obtained (diploma, degrees, certificates, etc.). The *Diploma Supplement* must be issued by the same institution that issued the qualification. Further information at: http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/doc1239_en.htm



OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS:

- Any certificates attesting language skills in English (TOEFL, Proficiency Certificate or other).
- The certification of GRE test (Graduate Record Examination) if any.
- Any additional information useful for assessing the applicant's research skills (e.g. documents concerning awards, post-graduate study and research, scholarships etc. which will also be taken into consideration with regards to the second paragraph of art. 8 of this Call)
- A single file in English (one page maximum based on the template downloadable from the online application), with a short research project, for each specific topic (see Art. 1) which the applicant wishes to undertake. Candidates who intend to compete for the grants relative to the topics specified in article 1 of the present call must state this intention and furnish a description of the project(s) in the application for admission.
- A maximum of **3** reference letters⁶ may be requested from referees, experts in the research fields of the Doctoral School. The reference must indicate why the referee is in the position to evaluate the applicant (for instance, how long they have been working together).
Once the section of the application relative to the referees has been completed and saved by the candidate, the system automatically sends, within 24 hours, a notification email to the referees containing the instructions and modes of transmission.
It is strongly recommended that applicants verify with their Referees that they have sent the Academic Reference Forms no later than 1st of **July 2013**.

Should candidates wish to add further documentation to the application after having already submitted the application, they may do so by the deadline of the selection announcement, by emailing ateneo@unitn.it. In this case, the subject line should say : Application ID - Candidate's Last Name and Name - Doctoral School in "Information and Communication Technologies" – TLC - 29° cycle - "integrazione domanda". Further documentation sent by other means will not be accepted.

Art. 6 – SELECTION

Selection is necessary in order to assess the applicant's knowledge and research aptitude in the scientific areas referred to in art. 4.

The selection is made by the Admissions Committee on the basis of evaluation of the applicant's qualifications according to art. 5.

The Admissions Committee may contact the applicant for an in-depth interview or a video-interview concerning the material submitted. The interview will not entail additional points.

The Admissions Committee will have 100 points. Applicants obtaining a minimum score of 60/100 will be short-listed.

For the evaluation of applicants intending to apply for one or more grants relative to a specific topic, evaluation will be made of the short project submitted (Attachment 9 within the Application).

Grant applications not related to a topic will be considered with lower priority.

Art. 7 – ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Upon advisement by the PhD Committee the Rector appoints the Admissions Committee.

It consists of three members chosen among professors and researchers including foreign experts in the scientific areas of the Doctorate. The Committee may also include a maximum of two experts from national and international research institutes, either public or private. The members list will be displayed after the Call's deadline on the web site <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/29219/announcement-of-selection-call-22013>
Having conducted the qualifications evaluation, the Selection Committee will draw up a merit-based ranking according to the scores obtained by the applicants.

The short-list will be displayed on the website:

<http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/29219/announcement-of-selection-call-22013>

Notification is considered as delivered through the announcement of the list.

Successful applicants will not receive personal communications of their results.

Art. 8 - ADMISSION TO THE DOCTORAL SCHOOL

⁶ A lack of reference letters does not constitute cause for exclusion from the selection procedure.



Applicants will be admitted to the Doctoral School according to their place in the final ranking until all available places have been filled. In case of applicants holding the same position: for grant-assisted positions the evaluation of the applicants personal economic statement will be considered according to the D.P.C.M. of 9 April 2001 and subsequent amendments; for positions not covered by study grant the applicant younger in age will be given preference.

If a successful applicant withdraws before the beginning of the course (**1st of November 2013**), the next applicant on the short-list will be offered the place and must submit his/her application for enrolment at the Doctoral School within eight (8) days following the communication from the *Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione Polo Collina, Via Sommarive 14 - 38123 Povo – Trento (ITALY)*. If a successful applicant withdraws or is excluded after the beginning of the courses and during the first term of the first year, the Doctoral School Committee may decide to fill the vacancy with the next applicant on the list.

Pursuant to art. 19, paragraph 3 of the University Regulations for Doctoral Schools, and in accordance with previous deliberation by the Doctoral School Committee, the Admissions Committee may admit to the supernumerary places – up to 20% more than the total announced places – those applicants, following the rank order of the short-list, who belong in one of the following categories:

- a) applicants from non-EU countries who have been awarded any kind of grant⁷ at the moment of the application for admission to the Doctoral School (e.g. awarded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, or by the Government of the home country or by International Organizations);
- b) applicants from a country with a specific intergovernmental agreement with Italy, on the basis of a bilateral agreement between the University of Trento and the foreign university (with no obligatory financial burden for the University of Trento).

Art. 9 – HOW TO ENROL

Short-listed applicants must submit their applications for enrolment to the Doctoral School to:

**“Università degli Studi di Trento – Direzione Didattica e Servizi agli Studenti
Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione Polo Collina, Via Sommarive 14
38123 Povo –Trento - ITALIA”**

- within 20 days following publication of the short-list on the web page, <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/29219/announcement-of-selection-call-22013> for applicants awarded a grant;
- within 30 days following publication of the short-list on the web page, <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/29219/announcement-of-selection-call-22013> for successful applicants NOT awarded any grant.

Such extra days are provided for successful applicants with NO grant, in order to offer non-assigned grants to the next eligible applicant.

The payment receipt of the provincial tax for the right to university study (TDS), if applicable, and the duty stamp must be attached to the application.

In the application (forms are available at the *Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione Polo Collina, Via Sommarive 14 - 38123 Povo – Trento* and on the website:

<http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/2696/enrolment-and-extension>) candidates must:

- indicate whether they ask to be awarded a scholarship (successful applicants, who have not been awarded a scholarship should also fill out this section in case an applicant with scholarship should withdraw);
- state whether they receive another grant, different from the one awarded by the University of Trento, from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- state whether they have already been awarded an Italian scholarship for a doctoral programme;
- declare that they are not already enrolled and undertake not to enroll on any other programme for a degree, an Italian “Scuola di Specializzazione”, a Ph.D., or Master degree of the I or the II level, for the duration of this Doctoral Program. Or alternatively, undertake to cease attending such a school before the start of the Doctoral Program;
- state whether they are an Italian public sector employee;
- undertake to obtain authorization from the PhD Committee before taking up any form of employment;
- undertake to promptly inform the University of any changes of their residence or address.

⁷ The duration of the grant should cover at least a part of the three-year period of the Doctoral Programme



Admitted candidates who did not obtain an academic degree in Italy **must** also submit to the Divisione Supporto Corsi di Dottorato e Alta Formazione-Polo Collina (email dottorati-collina@unitn.it – fax +39-0461-281699) **by not later than 30th November 2013:**

- The “Dichiarazione di Valore in Loco”⁸ along with their degree certificate with exams taken and grades obtained, translated and authenticated by an Italian consulate, embassy or diplomatic representative in the country where the degree was issued. The Dichiarazione di Valore must state that the degree is valid, in the country where it was issued, and enables the candidate to enrol in an academic course equivalent to a PhD Program;
- Or, if the above mentioned Dichiarazione di Valore is not ready within the deadline, a document proving that the request of release has been already submitted to the diplomatic representative; in such case the candidate must submit the Dichiarazione di Valore at the earliest convenience;
- Or, alternatively to the Dichiarazione di Valore, the Diploma Supplement in English, according to the model developed by the European Commission, by the European Council and by the UNESCO/CEPES.

Short-listed applicants who do not submit their applications within the above-mentioned deadlines will lose the right to enrol, and the corresponding place will consequently be offered to the next applicant on the short-list.

At the end of the enrolment period, Doctoral students must communicate via e-mail (infoict@disi.unitn.it) to the Doctoral School Secretariat the exact date of their arrival in Trento. Doctoral students who cannot be, for justified reasons, in Trento at the beginning of the academic year must submit adequate motivations and justifications no later than the 7th of November 2013. The latest date of arrival in Trento **cannot be subsequent to the 10th of January 2014**, on penalty of exclusion from the School.

In the case of a lack of communication and failure to arrive in Trento by the above-mentioned dates, the doctoral student will be considered excluded from the School.

Art. 10 – STUDY GRANTS

Study grants are assigned to applicants on the basis of the short-list of applicants drawn up in order of merit by the Admissions Committee.

Specific topic study grants will be assigned on the basis of the preference specified by the applicant upon availability⁹.

Should the candidate decline the enrolment, it will be offered to the next candidate on the ranking suitable for it; in the case of a grant with specific requisites, the following successful candidate must have obtained also eligibility for the specific topic.

The candidate who has been awarded a reserved scholarship for a specific research project cannot decline the offer since non-reserved scholarships are considered to be a second best

The gross amount of the scholarship is Euro 13,638.47 per year¹⁰.

The study grants cannot be combined with other scholarships, except those awarded by national or foreign scientific institutes for periods spent abroad and which are deemed useful for the research activities of the doctoral student.

Those doctoral students who have already been awarded a scholarship in Italy for a doctorate course cannot receive a second scholarship with the same qualification.

Study grants are normally paid bi-monthly in advance, with the exceptions of undue payments in case the student is excluded or suspended, as laid down in the University Regulations for Doctoral Schools, art. 25.

The study grant is increased by 50% for periods spent abroad that have been authorised by the Head of the School or by the Doctoral School Committee.

The study grant is awarded for the entire duration of the Doctoral programme following confirmation by the Doctoral School Committee on the results achieved every year.

Failure to attend the programme for over thirty days will result in suspension of the study grant.

Should a student renounce his/her studies during the course of the year, then he/she also renounces the corresponding amount awarded with the study grant.

⁸ For further information visit <http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=134>

⁹ For each study grant relative to a specific topic for which the student applies, s/he should indicate a progressive number corresponding to the priority of interest (number 1= preferred study grant; number 2= second option) in the selected study grant in the on-line application. In the absence of statements of preference, the assignment shall be at the discretion of the Admission Committee.

¹⁰ At the date of publication of the present call, Italian law (art. 2, paragraph 26 of Law 335/95 and subsequent modifications) states that scholarships are subject to pension fund contributions (INPS), of 20% or 27.72%, of which 1/3 will be charged to the candidate.



Art. 11 – ACCOMMODATION CONTRIBUTION FOR DOCTORAL STUDENTS

The University of Trento provides doctoral students with a monthly accommodation allowance. To qualify for the allowance the recipient must have a regular rent contract and must fulfil the requisites stated by the Regulation of the University (for further information see <http://www.unitn.it/en/ateneo/3039/accommodation-contribution-doctoral-students>).

Art. 12 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS ON RESEARCH RESULTS AND PUBLICATIONS

Without prejudice to the Italian law on copyright (legislative decree 633/1941 and subsequent amendments), use of results derived from doctorate research conducted with grants financed by external bodies may be subject to restrictions imposed by specific funding agreements of which doctoral grant-holders will be informed upon award of the grant.

Art. 13 - DOCTORAL STUDENTS RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Doctoral students must attend the doctorate programme and carry out research and studies on a full-time basis according to the schedules and the regulations laid out by the Doctoral School Committee.

Doctoral students attending a co-tutelle programme must as well carry out research and studies according to the specific cooperation agreement drawn up with the foreign University partner. The Doctoral School Committee may decide, with an explicit justification, to exclude a student from the School with the consequent forfeiture of the study grant in the case of:

- a) negative assessment by the Doctoral School Committee concerning admission to the next year of the course; the Doctoral School Committee will verify award of the results for the year as well as the diligence and industriousness demonstrated by the Doctoral student in his/her research; if a student fails the Qualifying Exam (as detailed in the Executive Regulations available on-line at http://static.digns.com/uploads/doctoral_school/documents/regulations/n_a.pdf) the exclusion will take place at the end of the month in which the results of the examination are published.
- b) full time contracts as well as subordinate work and any occupation done without authorisation from the Doctoral School Committee;
- c) unjustified and prolonged absences.

Doctoral students awarded a scholarship financed by external bodies and related to a specific research activity must carry out that specific activity.

For the duration of the doctorate programme, students are insured by the University against accidents and damage to third parties that occur solely in circumstances pertaining to the Doctoral program.

According to art.2 first paragraph of Law no. 476 of 13 August 1984 and subsequent amendments, Italian public-sector employees admitted to the Doctoral School may request, for the duration of the programme, leave of absence to study without salary and may apply for a study grant. In the case that the employee is admitted to the Doctoral course and declines the grant or is not awarded a grant, he/she may continue to receive a salary, social security and pension from the public administration. Should the employee choose to end the employment relationship during the two years following award of the Doctoral title, he/she will be obliged to return all payments received for the duration of the Doctoral course¹¹.

Foreign students enrolled at the School are required to learn the Italian language to a level of proficiency sufficient for work placement in Italy. The ICT International Doctoral School and the University will support and facilitate the Italian language learning.

Art. 14 – DOCTORAL TITLE CONFERRAL

The PhD title, conferred by the Rector, is granted when students pass the Final Exam, which takes place at the end of the Doctoral Programme.

For admission to the Final Exam, students must have undertaken at least a 3-month research period abroad; except in case of a written justification motivated by the Advisor (refer to the Executive Regulations available at: http://static.digns.com/uploads/doctoral_school/documents/regulations/n_a.pdf)

Upon advice by the PhD Committee, the Examination Committee is nominated by the Rector, in accordance with the University Regulations for Doctoral Schools

¹¹ For further details refer to the mentioned regulation



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Issue of the degree certificate is conditional upon the candidate providing the University archive with copies of the final dissertation. The University archive will ensure public accessibility and the proper conservation of the printed thesis. The University will provide the National Libraries in Rome and Florence with a copy of the dissertation, as required by Italian law.

Art. 15 – PERSONAL DATA

The University of Trento, in accordance with Legislative Decree 196/2003 (“Code for protection of personal data”), uses the applicants’ personal data, also those contained in any video, solely for the fulfilment of the selection procedures and for institutional reasons. The content of any video is available only to the members of the Admissions Committee.

In observance of the above-mentioned law, participation in the selection allows the University of Trento to publish on the University’s website the applicants’ personal data concerning the results of the selection procedure.

Università degli Studi di Trento, via Belenzani 12, 38122 Trento (TN) is the owner of the use of the personal data.

Art. 16 – REFERRAL RULES

For matters not explicitly mentioned in the present announcement, please refer to art. 4 of Law no. 210 of 3rd of July 1998, to Ministerial Decree no. 224 of 30th of April 1999 and to the University Regulations for Doctoral Schools issued with the Rector's Decree no. 997 of 16th of December 2003 and amended with the Rector's Decree no. 359 of 19th of April 2006 unless there enter into force legislative amendments such to affect the aforementioned regulations of the University of Trento.

The Rector
Prof.ssa Daria de Pretis



Annex A

Declaration substituting DEGREE CERTIFICATE

(Art. 46 - lettera l, m, n - D.P.R. 28 dicembre 2000, n. 445)

The undersigned _____

Place of birth (city+country) _____ date of birth , _____

Official postal address (street, number, zip code, city, country) _____

Mob. _____ e – mail _____

aware of the penal sanctions pursuant to Art. 76 of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000 for falsifying documents and making mendacious declarations

DECLARES

A That s/he has graduated in: _____

Graduation Date: _____ with mark _____ out of _____

- Type of degree: [] MA / MSc [] BA (4 YEARS) [] BSc (4 YEARS)

University of: _____

Country: _____

B That s/he has not yet graduated and is aware that admission to the Doctoral School is conditional upon the presentation of the degree certificates by the scheduled date in the call.

Currently studying (subject) _____

At the University of: _____ Country: _____

Expected date for final degree defence: _____

That s/he has passed the following examinations:

Table with 3 columns: Course title, Mark/out of, Date. It contains four empty rows for recording exam results.



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Signature _____

*Clear signature in full**

This declaration is exempt from stamp duty, pursuant to Art. 37 of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000.

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