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HAVING REGARD TO the Statute of the University of Sassari, published in the Official Gazette no. 298 of 23 December 2011

HAVING REGARD TO art. 4 of Law n. 210 of 3 July 1998, which provides that Universities shall regulate doctoral courses by means of their own regulations

HAVING REGARD TO the University Regulation on Doctoral Courses issued by Rector's Decree no. 1413 of 03/05/2019

CONSIDERED the Ministerial Decree n. 224 of 30/04/1999, published in the Official Gazette n. 162 of 13/07/1999;

CONSIDERED Law n. 240 of 30 December 2010, and in particular art. 19;

HAVING REGARD TO the Ministerial Decree 08/02/2013 n. 45, published in the G.U. n. 104 of 06/05/2013

HAVING REGARD TO the Regulation on fees and contributions for postgraduate courses and State examinations as per D.R. 3160 of 24 October 2019, prot. no. 121490;

HAVING REGARD TO Ministerial Decree 25/01/2018 no. 40 "Increase in the gross annual amount of PhD scholarships";

HAVING REGARD TO the favourable results on the accreditation of the PhD courses with administrative seat at this University expressed by ANVUR on 04/06/2021;

CONSIDERED the Ministerial Decree no. 1061 of 10 August 2021, and the relative Implementation Regulations, which, within the framework of the National Operational Programme "Research and Innovation"
2014/2020, for the funding of scholarships for Research Doctorates - XXXVII cycle, allocates 573,549.15 Euros to this University with reference to Action IV.4 "Doctorates and research contracts on Innovation" and 546,237.21 Euros with reference to Action IV.5 "Doctorates on Green topics";

CONSIDERED R.D. no. 3632 of 01/10/2021 of activation of the competitive procedures for the allocation of the PON RI 2014/2020 resources for the XXXVII cycle of PhD Courses;

HAVING REGARD to the call for applications for the allocation of PON RI 2014/2020 resources for the XXXVII cycle of PhD courses, published by Rector's Decree no. 3633 of 01/10/2021

CONSIDERED the R.D. n. 3652 of 04/10/2021 for the integration of the above mentioned call for applications with the funding granted by INPS for PhD scholarships reserved for children and orphans of members of the unitary management of credit and social benefits and pensioners who are users of the management of public employees in the PhD courses in "Life Sciences and Biotechnologies" and in "Veterinary Sciences";

HAVING REGARD to R.D. no. 3895 of 18/10/2021 amending the call for applications with the introduction of both the compulsory period abroad for four of the scholarships in the competition and the compulsory use of Attachment 1 with regard to the scholarships financed under the PON RI 2014/2020;

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ART. 1 - Establishment

The University of Sassari hereby announces a competition for research projects and interviews for the allocation of resources of the National Operational Programme "Research and Innovation" 2014/2020 with reference to Action IV.4 "Doctorates and research contracts on Innovation" and Action IV.5 "Doctorates on Green topics" for the funding of PhD scholarships to be allocated among the accredited PhD courses for the XXXVII cycle that have applied for them.

In addition, four scholarships financed by INPS are available for children and orphans of members of the unitary management of credit and social benefits and pensioners who are users of the management of public employees.

The scholarships are divided as follows
### Archaeology, History and Humanities

| Positions | Scholarship no. 1  
Theme: Preventive archaeology, predictive modelling and artificial intelligence |
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|           | Scholarship no. 2  
Theme: Advanced technologies in the management and interpretation of archaeological excavations  
Expected compulsory period abroad: 6 months |

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### Architecture and Environment

| Positions | Scholarship no. 1  
Innovation Themes  
Theme: Innovation in behaviour within institutions with respect to their environmental management  
Expected compulsory period abroad: 6 months |
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|           | Scholarship no. 2  
Green Themes  
Theme: Building materials with low environmental impact: from quarry waste to building components for circular architecture |
|           | Scholarship no. 3  
Green Themes  
Theme: Green infrastructures for urban and peri-urban environments |

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### Economics, Management, and Quantitative Methods

| Positions | Scholarship no.1  
Innovation Themes  
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3 scholarships financed by INPS on the following topics:
- Development of bioactive functionalised scaffolds for vascular regeneration;
- Experimentation and implementation of miniaturised molecular methods for microbiological and drug resistance identification for the development of an automated medical diagnostic device;
- CoNL63, one of the infectious agents of the cold, a possible barrier against SARS CoV-2 infection;

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### ART. 2 - Admission requirements

Applicants may apply for admission to the Research Doctorate courses, as described in the previous article, specifying the exact name of the curriculum, only for those courses that provide for them, who are in possession of a specialist or magistral degree obtained in accordance with the D.M.M. of 3 November 1999 n. 509 and 22

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October 2004 n. 270, a degree obtained according to the old system (prior to the D.M. of 3 November 1999 n. 509) or another equivalent degree obtained abroad.

Foreign citizens, in possession of a degree that has not already been declared equivalent to a university degree, must - solely for the purpose of admission to the PhD course for which they intend to apply - complete the application form, according to the procedure described in art. 6 below, with the documents necessary to allow the Commission of selection to declare equivalence. These documents must be translated into Italian or presented in English, French or Spanish and legalised by the competent Italian diplomatic or consular representations abroad in accordance with the regulations in force on the admission of foreign students to degree courses at Italian universities.

Foreign citizens who are not in possession of the translated and legalised documents required above may apply for admission by self-certifying possession of the qualification. Candidates will be admitted to the selection process with reservations and, should they be successful, they must produce the documentation requested above no later than 31/10/2021, under penalty of forfeiture and exclusion from the Course.

For Italian citizens in possession of a foreign academic qualification, which has not already been declared equivalent to an Italian degree, the same provisions set out in the previous paragraphs apply.

Enrolment in the Doctorate courses referred to in the present call is not compatible with enrolment in any degree course, master's degree, specialisation, master's degree or PhD course offered by this or other Universities.

The joint attendance of the medical specialisation course and the PhD course is regulated by art. 7 of the D.M. 08/02/2013 n. 45.

Those interested must draw up their applications according to the procedure described in articles 5 and 6 below of this call.

The competition is open to candidates who have graduated by the deadline of the competition notice.

Candidates who do not have the qualification by the closing date of the competition notice but will have obtained it by 31 October 2021 may also be admitted as sub-conductors.

All candidates admitted as sub-conductors who are successful candidates following the competition procedures must submit, to the Higher Education Office of this University, self-certification of their qualification by 31 October 2021 at the latest.

Candidates who fail to communicate the achievement of the qualification within the deadline or who send incomplete or incorrect communications will be excluded.
ART. 3 - Funding and characteristics of the scholarships funded under the 2014/2020 PON RI

The scholarships referred to in this notice shall be awarded in disciplinary and thematic areas consistent with the National Operational Programme "Research and Innovation", Action IV.4 (Doctorates on Innovation themes) and Action IV.5 (Doctorates on Green themes).

The first two years of the scholarships (and, in any case, no later than 31 December 2023) will be financed with PON RI 2014/2020 funds, while the third year will be financed with funds available to the University.

It will therefore be the obligation of the doctoral student to report, on a two-monthly basis, the activities carried out during the research period. Specifically, the report will be made through the online platform of the Ministry using the forms therein. It will be the responsibility of the Coordinator of the PhD course in which the student is enrolled to verify and validate the information provided by the student.

The Coordinator of the doctoral program must also submit annually, always electronically through the online platform dedicated to the notice, except for the last year, the following documentation:

a) the annual report of the doctoral student on the activity carried out, drawn up according to the forms prepared by the MUR;

b) the minutes of the Board of teachers containing the assessment of the annual activity carried out by the doctoral student and the possible admission to the following year;

Finally, the coordinator of the doctoral course must transmit, at the end of the course and within 30 days of the discussion of the doctoral thesis, exclusively by electronic means on the online platform dedicated to the notice:

a) the annual report of the doctoral student on the activity carried out, drawn up according to the forms provided by the MUR;

b) where applicable, the minutes of the Board of teachers containing the judgment on the overall activity carried out by the doctoral student during the three years of the doctorate and the eventual admission to the final examination;

c) a copy of the doctoral student's final thesis integrated with the forms provided by the MUR;

d) the report of the Commission of the final examination.

The doctoral student must also carry out periods of study and research in companies working in the sectors of interest of the projects, from a minimum of six months to a maximum of twelve months. They must also be
aware that failure to comply with the minimum period of time to be spent in the company will result in the withdrawal of the grant.

ART. 4 - Evaluation and assignment of the scholarships funded under the 2014/2020 PON RI

Following the evaluation of the projects submitted by the candidates, carried out in accordance with articles 7 and 8 below, and the relative approval of the acts of the competition procedures referred to in this notice, the rankings thus determined will be sent to the Board of teachers of the respective Doctorate Courses, who will be called upon to carry out the evaluation of coherence in accordance with art. 3 paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Ministerial Decree 10 August 2021, no. 1061.

This assessment, and consequently the identification of the PhD students receiving the grants, will take place in relation to the capacity of the doctoral programme to contribute to the achievement of the aims and objectives of the reference Action of the PON "Research and Innovation" 2014-2020, according to the following indications:

**A) ADDITIONAL PHD SCHOLARSHIPS ON INNOVATION TOPICS (ACTION IV.4)**

**a.a) Relevance of the doctoral programme project in relation to the ability to create high added value, in terms of scientific, social and economic spin-offs on the national territory, favouring appropriate research models and the training of professional profiles in response to the need for innovation and competitiveness expressed by the entrepreneurial system, through the promotion of research on the themes of innovation, digital and enabling technologies, supporting the enhancement of human capital, as a determining factor for the development of research and innovation in Italy.**

**a.b) Compliance of the doctoral pathway project with the SNSI and the PNR, consistency with L.240/2010 and DM 45/2013 on doctorates, with the aim of encouraging innovation and exchange between the world of research and the productive world and qualification of the contribution of research projects in the areas of innovation (L. 240/2010, art. 24, co. 3 and ss.mm[ii]).**

**a.c) Measurability of the expected results and potential impact of the intervention with reference to**

**B) ADDITIONAL PHD SCHOLARSHIPS ON GREEN TOPICS (ACTION IV.5)**

**b. a) Relevance of the doctoral pathway project in relation to the ability to create a high added value, through the enhancement of human capital, in terms of scientific, social and economic spin-offs on the national territory, favouring appropriate models of research and contamination of knowledge and skills able to promote the development of innovative products and services with reduced impact on the environment, focusing on issues geared to ecosystem conservation, biodiversity, reducing the impacts of climate change and promoting sustainable development, as a contribution to promoting green recovery and overcoming the effects of the crisis in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**b.b) Compliance of the doctoral pathway project with the SNSI and the PNR, consistency with L.240/2010 and DM 45/2013 on doctorates, through the funding of doctorates in the Green area.**

**b.c) Measurability of the expected results and potential impact of the intervention with reference to**
the aims of REACTEU: presence within the project of quantifiable and measurable targets consistent with the indicators provided by the reference action of the PON.

In order to complete the procedure for the allocation of scholarships to the selected PhD students, the University must complete the format provided through the online platform MUR and upload the administrative documents and the required documentation.

Once the verification of eligibility by the MUR has been completed, the University will be informed of the results of the evaluation and the relative quantification of the total amount allocated to the financing of the scholarships referred to in this notice.

Only at the end of the procedures described in the present article, the scholarships may be confirmed and assigned, by specific Decree of the Rector, to the identified candidates, as well as the enrolment of the latter may be confirmed.

ART. 5 - Scholarships financed by INPS

The study grants financed by the Istituto Nazionale di Previdenza Sociale (National Social Security Institute) are reserved for children and orphans of members of the Gestione unitaria delle prestazioni creditizie e sociali (Unified Management of Credit and Social Benefits) and of pensioners who are users of the Gestione dipendenti pubblici (Public Employees' Management). Candidates interested in the allocation of these scholarships must therefore meet the following requirements:

a) be the child or orphan of an employee or pensioner enrolled in the Gestione Unitaria delle prestazioni creditizie e sociali or of a pensioner user of the Gestione Dipendenti Pubblici;

b) have submitted, at the chosen University, an application for enrolment in the PhD programme for which they intend to apply for the scholarship.

In addition, when submitting the application for the competition, candidates interested in the scholarships referred to in this article must provide self-certification of their possession of the requirements using Annex 2.

These scholarships will be awarded only following formal notification received by this University from the Institute on the basis of the results of the checks carried out by the Institute on the possession of the requirements.
Scholarships funded by the Institute must include a period of research to be carried out either in a company or in a foreign establishment, both of which are associated with the funded proposal. Failure to carry out these periods will result in the scholarship being returned to the beneficiary.

Following an assessment carried out by INPS, by way of derogation from the provisions of art. 10 of this notice, in the event of equal points for the possible beneficiaries, the study grant financed by the Institute will be awarded on the basis of the youngest age.

These grants will be awarded, in order of ranking, to candidates who meet the specific requirements set out in this article. The verification of the possession of these requirements is referred to the Istituto Nazionale di Previdenza Sociale (National Social Security Institute).

By way of derogation from article 6 below, candidates interested in benefiting from study grants financed by INPS are not required to submit a research project, as this has already been defined, as indicated in article 1. They must, however, be suitable for the assessment made at the interview.

**ART. 6 - Applications for admission**

Applications to take part in the competition must be drawn up in accordance with the procedures and times indicated in art. 6 below.

In the application, candidates must indicate under their own responsibility, under penalty of exclusion from the competition:

A. your surname and first name, date and place of birth and residence;

B. your nationality

C. the degree held, as well as the date and the University where it was obtained, or the equivalent/equivalent degree obtained at a foreign University;

D. whether or not they are taking part in the competition on a sub-conductor basis, with an indication of the University where the qualification will be awarded and the name of the qualification itself. In order to certify this, you must refrain from filling in the information concerning the date on which the qualification was obtained and its evaluation;

E. your permanent address for the purposes of the competition. EU citizens and foreign nationals must indicate an Italian address or the address of their embassy in Italy, chosen as their domicile. Any change in the aforementioned address must be promptly communicated to the Higher Education Office by e-mail to helpesse3@uniss.it or rzallu@uniss.it.
The application form must be accompanied by a copy of the front and back of the candidate's identity document with a perfectly visible photograph allowing the candidate to be identified.

Under penalty of exclusion from the competition, a research project on the themes indicated in art. 1 for the posts for which you are applying must be submitted together with the application. To this end, the candidate must use the model in ANNEX 1 of the present notice of competition published on the website www.uniss.it.

Failure to use the form in Annex 1 will result in the exclusion of the candidate from the selection process, unless the documentation submitted clearly indicates the number of the scholarship funded under the PON RI 2014/2020 for which they are applying.

Candidates may also attach their Curriculum Vitae to the application form. The Curriculum Vitae will not, in any case, be attributed a mark by the Selection Committee and failure to submit it will not preclude the candidate from participating in the competition.

The identity document (front and back), the research project and the Curriculum Vitae must be attached in PDF format according to the procedures indicated in the document "Instructions for the submission of applications for the competition" published on the same page of the University of Sassari website where this call for applications is published.

In accordance with art. 15 of Law no. 183 of 12/11/2011, from 01/01/2012 it is not possible to request or accept certifications issued by Public Administrations regarding states, personal qualities and facts. Therefore, the declarations referred to in letters A, B, C and D of this article must be made, in the application form, in accordance with Articles 46 and 47 of DPR 445/2000.

The Administration reserves the right to admit candidates to the examinations with reservations and the right to exclude at any time any candidate who does not meet the admission qualifications and requirements laid down in this notice.

No communication will be sent to candidates and all informations will be published exclusively on the website www.uniss.it.

Any additions and/or amendments to this competition notice will be published on the www.uniss.it website by the closing date of the notice.

Candidates interested in applying for a Doctorate Course that envisages the presence of curricula may opt for only one of them. In the event that they apply for more than one curriculum within the same course, they must choose the one they wish to apply for.
ART. 7 - How to apply for the competition

Applications to participate in the competition must be submitted, under penalty of exclusion from the competition, no later than 13:00 on 21 October 2021 (local time) exclusively by connecting to the website https://uniss.esse3.cineca.it and logging in or registering, if registering for the first time for the University of Sassari's online services.

Competition applications must be submitted in accordance with the procedures set out in the document "Instructions for the submission of competition applications" published on the same page of the University of Sassari website where this call for applications is published.

If necessary, the competition application may be modified directly by the candidate, within the deadline of this notice, exclusively by connecting to the site https://uniss.esse3.cineca.it, logging in, selecting the competition for which the application is to be modified and clicking on "modify".

To this end, you can consult the specific Tutorial available at https://www.uniss.it/ateneo/documenti-di-ateneo/tutorial-immatricolazione.

Competition applications received, for any reason whatsoever, after the indicated deadline and/or by methods other than those indicated in this article will not be accepted.

It is compulsory to enclose a copy of a valid identification document (in a single PDF file) via the online procedure.

Candidates with disabilities and candidates with DSA, in accordance with Law no. 104 of 5 February 1992 and subsequent amendments and additions, and Law no. 170 of 8 October 2010, may make an explicit request, in relation to their own needs, for the necessary aids and any additional time with respect to those established for the majority of candidates, as well as additional measures to ensure equal opportunities in the performance of the test. These conditions must be certified by a medical certificate issued by the competent health authorities. If you have selected "I request assistance and/or specialised tutoring services" in the online application procedure, you must explicitly request the necessary assistance by sending an email to rzallu@uniss.it. Failure to indicate your disability status when registering online, or to send an email requesting assistance, does not guarantee that the necessary aids will be provided in time for the tests.

Enrolment in the admission competition will be considered complete only after correct payment of the contribution of €10.00 to be made, by 21 October 2021, using the electronic payment systems provided by PagoPA (https://www.agid.gov.it/it/piattaforme/pagopa).
No other form of payment can be accepted, therefore, candidates who complete the competition application through the use of payment systems other than the electronic ones provided by PagoPA will be automatically excluded from the competition.

Support for the use of online services

Help with online services for candidates is provided by e-mail at helpesse3@uniss.it.

ART. 8 - Examination

The examination for admission to the PhD course is based on the evaluation of a research project, coherent with the themes indicated in art. 1, carried out during an interview with the candidate.

The purpose of the examination is to ascertain the candidate's preparation, his/her aptitude for scientific research, the possession of the skills required to carry out the proposed project, as well as the knowledge of a foreign language indicated by the candidate or expressly requested by the PhD course.

The interview may be held in Italian or English or possibly in another EU language at the candidate's request and at the discretion of the Commission during the examination.

As regards the interview, time and references for the online connection will be published for each course on the website www.uniss.it.

Candidates will be admitted to the interview upon presentation of a suitable valid identification document: identity card, passport, driving licence, postal card, firearms licence, personal identification card issued by state administrations, identical to the one presented with the application form. Candidates who are unable to produce any of the above documents will be excluded.

Candidates must connect to the contacts indicated by the time indicated, which will be subsequently published on the website www.uniss.it, in order to allow the Selection Committee to carry out the necessary procedures for recognising candidates. Candidates who do not connect to the contact details by the time indicated will be considered to have withdrawn.

The test will be open to the public.

Candidates are aware of the possible technical drawbacks of taking the test online.

The general merit list resulting from the marks obtained by each candidate in the interview will be published on the website www.uniss.it following approval of the competition documents.
ART. 9 - Selection committees and their duties

The adjudicating committee for the competition for admission to the PhD course will be composed in compliance with the University Regulations on PhD courses.

The commission, for the evaluation of each candidate, has 70 points divided as follows:

- **Knowledge of a foreign language**, assessed as ability in written and spoken use: max 15 points

- **Motivation for research**, assessed as the ability to present one's motivation for undertaking a PhD: max 15 points

- **Research aptitude**, assessed as knowledge and ability to apply the scientific method to concrete examples relevant to the themes of the call: max 20 points

- **Specific knowledge and skills**, assessed as knowledge and understanding of the themes of the call: max 20 points

Following the interview, the Commission will draw up an overall merit list. The ranking list will be single or separate for each curriculum according to the determinations of the Courses as they result from the present call.

The official ranking list will be published on the website [www.uniss.it](http://www.uniss.it) following approval of the competition acts.

ART. 10 - Enrolment and enrolment

The successful candidates are admitted to the PhD courses on the basis of the merit list until the number of places available is filled. They will be required to enrol, under penalty of forfeiture, within the deadline indicated in the publication of the merit list.

In the event of non-acceptance or late acceptance by those entitled, another candidate will take over, according to the order of the merit list, provided that three months have not elapsed since the beginning of the Course (01/01/2022).

In the event of a tie between candidates, the provisions of the Prime Ministerial Decree of 9 April 2001 (articles 4 and 5) will be applied to the allocation of a place with a scholarship.

The applications for enrolment of the winners must be submitted within the deadline, under penalty of forfeiture of the right to enrol in the PhD course, and according to the procedures that will be published on the University website [www.uniss.it](http://www.uniss.it) at the same time as the publication of the competition rankings.
In this regard, it is possible to consult the tutorial available at https://www.uniss.it/ateneo/documenti-di-ateneo/tutorial-immatricolazione.

**ART. 11 - Attendance to courses**

Those enrolled in the PhD courses must commit themselves to attend full time the activities foreseen by the PhD course, according to the modalities that will be established by the Course Committee.

At the end of each year, they will have to submit a report on the activity, the research carried out and the results achieved to the Board, which will take care of its preservation and which, after assessing the assiduity and industriousness demonstrated by the student enrolled in the course, will propose to the Rector the exclusion or the continuation of the PhD.

The title of PhD will be conferred at the end of the course following the positive evaluation of a research thesis by a specially appointed committee.

**ART. 12 - Renunciation or forfeiture of enrolment**

Those who have not regularised their enrolment within the above-mentioned deadlines will be considered to have withdrawn, and those who have made false declarations, in addition to the criminal liability they will incur, will be declared to have forfeited their place of enrolment.

**ART. 13 - Scholarships**

The scholarships, the number of which is indicated for each PhD course in art. 1, are awarded, after a comparative evaluation of merit and according to the order defined in the respective single merit lists or subdivided by curricula, if the course has them, drawn up by the selection committees.

The annual amount of the scholarship, determined in accordance with art. 1 of the Ministerial Decree 25/01/2018, is € 15,343.28 gross of social security charges payable by the recipient.

Scholarships have a one-year duration and are renewed on condition that the doctoral student has completed the programme of activities planned for the previous year, verified according to the procedures established by the Doctoral Course, without prejudice to the obligation to disburse the scholarship following the successful completion of the verification.

The enjoyment of a scholarship for the attendance of a PhD Course is compatible with the possession of a gross annual personal income not exceeding € 15,000.00 in the calendar year in which the scholarship is received.
The Doctorate scholarship starts, unless reallocated or delayed, on 01/01/2022 and cannot be accumulated with other scholarships for any reason whatsoever, except with those granted by national or foreign institutions useful to integrate the research activity of the doctoral student with stays abroad, nor with research grants.

Scholarships are paid monthly in arrears.

Those who have used a scholarship for a PhD course may not use it a second time.

**ART. 14 - Attendance fees**

The fees for access and attendance of the PhD courses established by the Academic Bodies of the University amount to **488.23** Euros for the **first year** (including the University contribution, stamp duty, insurance coverage against Accident and Third Party Civil Liability and regional contribution for the right to university studies) and **472.23** Euros for each of the **following two years** (including the University's contribution, insurance coverage against accidents and third-party civil liability and the regional contribution for the right to university study).

The payment of the registration fee for the first year must be made through the electronic payment systems provided by pagoPA ([https://www.agid.gov.it/it/piattaforme/pagopa](https://www.agid.gov.it/it/piattaforme/pagopa)) within the deadline for enrolment, which will be indicated when the rankings are published. If payment is made after the deadline indicated, the relative late payment fee will be applied.

A tutorial is available at [https://www.uniss.it/files/tutorialpagopapdf](https://www.uniss.it/files/tutorialpagopapdf).

Enrolment fees for subsequent years must be paid through the electronic payment systems provided by pagoPA by 28 February each year. In the event of payment made after the 28 February deadline, a late payment fee will be applied.

PhD students enrolled without a scholarship and disabled students with a disability rating of 66% or higher, who declare their status upon enrolment, are exempt from payment of the University contribution, but not from insurance coverage, stamp duty and the regional contribution for the right to university study.

**ART. 15 - Appointment of the Head of the Procedure**

In accordance with art. 4 of Law 241 of 7 August 1990 and subsequent amendments (New rules on administrative procedures and the right of access to administrative documents), Dr. Anna Paola Vargiu, Head of the Higher Education Office, is appointed as the person responsible for the administrative procedure.

Candidates are entitled to exercise their right of access to the acts of the competition procedure as indicated on the website [https://www.uniss.it/urp](https://www.uniss.it/urp).
ART. 16 - Processing of personal data

The personal data transmitted by candidates with their application to take part in the selection will be processed, stored and archived by the University of Sassari, in accordance with article 13 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, for operational, administrative-accounting and/or other purposes connected to the management of this procedure and for fulfilments connected to legal obligations and the start of their university career.

The provision of such data is compulsory for the purposes of assessing the requirements for participation, under penalty of exclusion from the competition procedure.

The data controller is the University of Sassari, which guarantees interested parties, in accordance with Articles 15-18 of the aforementioned Regulation (EU) 2016/679, the right to access, rectify and delete personal data transmitted in accordance with the procedures provided for in the Regulation (EU). Candidates are entitled to access their personal data, to ask for their rectification and integration as well as to obtain the limitation of their processing, by addressing their requests to the University of Sassari by email to: stud.privacy@uniss.it. For further information, please visit [https://www.uniss.it/protezione-privacy](https://www.uniss.it/protezione-privacy).

ART. 17 - Reference regulations

For all matters not covered by this call for applications, reference is made to article 19 of Law n. 240 of 30/12/2010, to D.M. 08/02/2013 n. 45 - Regulation on the accreditation of doctoral schools and courses and criteria for the establishment of doctoral courses by accredited bodies, to the University Regulation on Doctoral Programmes issued by D.R. n. 1413 of 03/05/2019 and subsequent modifications and additions, to D.M. 10 August 2021, n. 1061 and its implementing regulations.

The Rector

(f.to Prof. Gavino Mariotti)