

Annex A to Rectoral Decree No. 244 of 17.07.2023

Doctoral Program in LAW AND BUSINESS

XXXIX Cycle – 2023/2024 Academic Year

Administrative Headquarters: Department of Law, Luiss Guido Carli University

Statutory Duration of the Program: 3 years

a) Educational Goals and Research Themes:

The educational goal of the Doctoral Program is to offer an advanced course of study that combines both theoretical and practical aspects of the legal and regulatory issues concerning markets and business from a national, EU, international and comparative perspective, focused on both the analysis of theoretical models and on the resolution of practical cases.

The Doctoral Program is interdisciplinary in nature and concerns the following scientific-disciplinary sectors:

- IUS/17 - Criminal Law
- IUS/01 - Private Law
- IUS/02 - Comparative Private Law
- IUS/04 - Commercial Law
- IUS/05 - Economic Law
- IUS/07 - Labor Law
- IUS/08 - Constitutional Law
- IUS/09 - Principles of Private Law
- IUS/10 - Administrative Law
- IUS/12 - Tax Law
- IUS/13 - International Law
- IUS/14 - EU Law
- IUS/15 - Civil Procedure Law
- IUS/16 - Criminal Procedure Law
- IUS/20 - Philosophy of Law
- IUS/21 - Comparative Public Law

The program, specifically designed to meet the demand for highly qualified professionals, seeks to ensure that the doctoral students will reach an appreciable level of scientific and research autonomy allied to a strong capacity for criticism and analysis. Doctoral students should thus be able to investigate and examine in depth, in an interdisciplinary manner, the theoretical and empirical research themes covered by the program.

In addition, the doctorate transversally touches on multiple lines of NRRP funding, and more widely the reforms strategy directed not only towards improving regulatory conditions and legal contexts, but also towards incrementing firmly the equity, efficiency, and competitiveness of the country. All three types of reforms envisaged by the NRRP (horizontal, enabling, and sectoral) are related to the educational offer of the doctorate. In particular, with reference to horizontal reforms - which concern the Public Administration and the justice system - particular attention is paid, within the Artificial Intelligence and the Law module, to the legal, ethical and social implications of the use of the new technologies and artificial intelligence in the various sectors of law, or, in the ADR, diversion and Restorative Justice module, to the mechanisms for resolving civil, commercial and criminal disputes in domestic law and at international level.

Furthermore, there are many issues addressed in the doctoral courses - in particular in the modules Market and Competition and Multilevel regulation in public policies - which are the subject of the enabling reforms envisaged by the NRRP, functional interventions to guarantee the implementation of the Plan and in general to remove administrative, regulatory and procedural obstacles that affect economic activities and the quality of services provided to citizens and businesses (such as, for example, the simplification and rationalization of legislation and those for the promotion of competition), making use of the other, a strengthening of the compliance incentive mechanisms (extensively discussed in the Regulatory compliance and companies liability module).

Finally, also with reference to the sectoral reforms, it is possible to find points of proximity: for example, in the module Environment, sustainability and responsible business conduct, the specific subject of study are the regulatory innovations intended to introduce regulatory and procedural regimes for greater protection of environmental interest, landscape and cultural.

During the doctoral course, doctoral students will have to develop their project also by carrying out a period of research or internship in public administrations or research institutions or companies, for a minimum period of 6 months and a maximum of 12 months and a period of study and research abroad, always for a minimum of 6 months and a maximum of 12.

b) Places on offer and research themes:

- **N. 3 Places with funded scholarship reserved for the following thematically binding research project: “*Investment governance in the era of the NRRP: cross-sector and sector-specific administrative capacities*”.**

The characteristics of the scholarship are described in **Technical Sheet A**, attached hereafter.

Acceptance of the place implies acceptance of the conditions, activities and rules established by in the Call, the Annex A and Technical Sheet A;

c) Selection Process:

The selection process for admission to the Doctoral Program consists of three phases:

1. First Phase: Evaluation of CV, qualifications, and publications

This phase will consider all qualifications, publications (**if any**) and further relevant elements indicated in a candidate's CV.

Publications will be evaluated taking into account the academic value of the writings, their relevance to the topics under study in the Doctoral Program and the standing of the journals and publishing houses through which the candidates have published.

Please note that it is possible to apply for the Doctoral Program even in the absence of publications.

Candidates who score at least 24 points in the first phase will be admitted to the second phase, i.e. the evaluation of the Research Proposal. Reference should be made to section **d)** of this sheet for more details on the evaluation criteria.

2. Second Phase: Evaluation of the Research Proposal

This phase evaluates the Research Proposal submitted by the candidates which must be drawn up in the context of the binding research topic - “*Investment governance in the era of the NRRP: cross-sector and sector-specific administrative capacities*”.

The **Research project** will be evaluated according to the following parameters:

- **Coherence:** the project is coherent with one of the research themes covered by this Call;
- **Relevance:** the project addresses, within the boundaries of research topics, an issue of considerable relevance and / or importance.
- **Novelty:** the proposal addresses a topic that has not yet been thoroughly analyzed in doctrinal literature and/or proposes to deal with the topic from an innovative perspective;
- **Comparative/international dimension:** the proposal intends to examine the legal systems of other countries and/or to examine the chosen topic also from the perspective of the international and/or EU legal system;
- **Interdisciplinarity:** the proposal exhibits an interdisciplinary profile regarding one or more areas under study in the Doctoral Program;
- **Structuring:** the project is well articulated and follows a logical argument and is well written and set from a formal point of view.

Candidates who have obtained at least 12 points in the second phase will be admitted to the third phase, i.e. the oral exam.

3. Third Phase - Oral Exam in English

The Oral Exam will focus on the Research Proposal submitted and will concern topics and subjects pertinent thereto (even if not directly covered by the Research Proposal itself but which relate to the areas under study in the Doctoral Program). It is designed to assess not only the candidate's depth of knowledge regarding the proposal submitted but also the candidate's ability to engage in reasoning and discuss concepts relating to various branches of the system.

The Exam aims to test English language proficiency and is based on reading and translating a paragraph from a book or article.

International candidates must demonstrate an adequate knowledge of the Italian language during the oral test.

The Oral Exam will be held online on the Webex platform. Candidates must possess a computer with a webcam and microphone and internet access and follow the instructions relating to the use of the Webex application which they will receive by email at the address that has been submitted during the candidacy phase.

The Oral Exam will be deemed to have been passed by candidates who obtain at least 24 points. 10 of the 40 points will be awarded according to the level of language proficiency.

d) Admissions Commission Scoring

The scoring system utilized by the Commission is as follows (minimum score for eligibility 60):

| Competition Phase | Subject matter of evaluation | Maximum Score | Minimum score to pass to next phase |
|-------------------|---|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Phase 1 | CV, qualifications and publications | 40 | 24 |
| Phase 2 | Research Project | 20 | 12 |
| Phase 3 | Oral Exam In English (through Webex) | 40 | 24 |
| Total | | 100 | 60 |

The minimum score for eligibility (60 points) is to be understood as the sum of the points assigned from the three phases, with the candidate having attained at least the minimum score in all of the selection phases.

e) Method of Submission of Candidature:

The online application procedure is to be completed through accessing the University's website at:

<https://phd.luiss.it/diritto-impresa/calls/open-calls/>

To submit an application to participate in the competition candidates must:

- go to the webpage: <https://phd.luiss.it/diritto-impresa/calls/open-calls/>
- fill out the competition application in full, attaching the required documents, specifically:

MANDATORY DOCUMENTATION:

- I) **Proof of possession of a master's degree**
- II) **Curriculum vitae, indicating all the qualifications held**
- III) **National ID card/passport**
- IV) **List of publications together with the full text of the publications or a self-declaration stating that no publications exist**
- V) **Research Project related to the binding research theme “*Investment governance in the era of the NRRP: cross-sector and sector-specific administrative capacities*” clarified in the Technical Sheet A.**

Details of the mandatory documentation

I) Proof of possession of a master's degree

The required documentation to prove attainment of a master's degree varies according to where the degree was awarded, thus it should be noted that:

Candidates with a qualification awarded in ITALY must submit:

- certification/self-certification of the degree held, setting out the exams taken and marks obtained for each exam, credits earned and the degree grade (for each degree if more than one degree is held);

Candidates with a qualification awarded in an EU country must submit the following:

1. certification/self-certification of the degree held, setting out the exams taken and marks obtained for each exam, credits earned and the degree grade (for each degree if more than one degree is held);
2. degree parchment in its original language;
3. diploma supplement and academic transcript of records in their original language;
4. translation into Italian or English of the two documents indicated in the preceding points 1 and 2: the translations are not required if the documents in question are issued by the institution directly in English.

Candidates with a qualification awarded in a non-EU country must submit the following:

- A. degree parchment in its original language;
- B. academic transcript of records in its original language;
- C. translation into Italian or English of the two documents indicated in the preceding points A and B: the translations are not required if the documents in question are issued by the institution directly in English.

For qualifications awarded in a non-EU country the admitted candidates may submit a statement of comparability of the foreign qualification issued by the Information Centre on Academic Mobility and Equivalence (CIMEA) as an alternative to submission of the documents indicated in points A and B above. In that regard candidates should click on the following link:

<http://www.cimea.it/en/index.aspx>.

II) Curriculum vitae

indicating all the qualifications held; (for example, master's degree, advanced courses, other PhDs, etc.), research undertaken, study and work periods either abroad or of international relevance, and certified knowledge of additional foreign languages other than English, if any;

III) National ID card/passport;

- IV) List of publications** in areas pertinent to the Doctoral Program, together with the full text of the publications included in said list, to be uploaded in pdf format onto relevant sections of the online platform. In the absence of publications, a self-declaration should be uploaded attesting to the same.

N.B. It is nonetheless possible to apply for the Doctoral Program even in the absence of publications, by attaching a self-declaration stating that no publications exist.

- V) Research Project related to the binding research theme “*Investment governance in the era of the NRRP: cross-sector and sector-specific administrative capacities*” clarified in the Technical Sheet A, consistent with the educational goals and subjects covered by the Doctorate.**

It is further specified that admission to the PhD program is allowed for public employees, **subject to and exclusively upon placement on unpaid leave.**

OPTIONAL DOCUMENTATION:

- I) **Any other qualifications:** for example, certification of knowledge of foreign languages other than English or certification of other qualifications held, indicating the marks obtained in the individual exams if such marks were awarded (for example, a master's degree in a subject pertinent to the doctoral program, European Doctorate, relevant experience at institutions and public bodies);
- II) **Statement of purpose, if any;**
- III) **Reference letter, if any:** The reference letter should not be uploaded to the platform: the candidate should insert into the platform the names and email addresses of the referees, who will receive a communication at the indicated email address containing a link through which they can personally write and send the letter to the PhD & Education Funding.

The deadline for submission of reference letters is set for 8 September 2023 at 16:00 (CEST), UTC+2.

It is recommended that files be uploaded in pdf format.

- f) **Deadlines:**
 - **Deadline for submission of applications: 6 September 2023 at 16:00 (CEST), UTC+2;**
 - **Deadline for submission of reference letters: 8 September 2023 at 16:00 (CEST), UTC+2**
 - **Deadline for obtaining master's degree: 15 September 2023;**
 - **Deadline for publication of the admission ranking: by 30 September 2023** unless extended by a communication to that purpose on the Luiss website. The ranking order and list of those admitted will be published on the Doctoral Program website at the following link: <https://phd.luiss.it/diritto->

[impresa/calls/admission-and-ranking-list/](#) and communicated by e-mail to the successful candidates in accordance with article 7 of the call for applications;

- **Deadline for acceptance of admission by the successful candidates:** within 7 days, to commence from the day after publication of the ranking order and list of those admitted on the University's website (<http://www.luiss.it>) and the associated concurrent notice of admission.
- **Commencement of the Program:** by December 2023.