



Rectoral Decree No. 173 of 30.05.2023

on a competition by way of comparative evaluation for n. 2 places on the XXXIX cycle of research doctoral program in Management, within NRRP, M4 C2 13.3 “Introduction of innovative PhDs that address the innovation needs of enterprises and promote the recruitment of researchers in enterprises”.

#### **THE RECTOR**

- Having regard to the Charter of Luiss Guido Carli.
- Having regard to article 4 of Law No. 210 of 3 July 1998 providing that universities may, by their own rules, regulate the establishment of doctoral programs, including eligibility, the awarding of academic qualifications, educational goals, curricula, duration, fees, attendance, the criteria for awarding scholarships and the amount thereof, and agreements with public and private entities, in conformity with the general criteria and suitability requirements of the locations laid down by ministerial decree;
- Having regard to article 19 of Law No. 240 of 30 December 2010 containing new provisions on research doctorates;
- Having regard to the resolution of the Department of Business and Management of Luiss Guido Carli of 6 September 2022 proposing to renew the PhD program in Management – XXXIX cycle;
- Having regard to the resolutions of the Academic Senate and the Executive Committee respectively of 27 September and 20 October 2022, approving the doctoral program;
- Having regard to Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (MUR) Decree No. 226 of 14 December 2021 adopting regulations on the accreditation of doctoral program locations and programs and the criteria for establishing doctoral programs by accredited bodies;
- Having regard to the Research Doctorate Regulations of Luiss Guido Carli, approved by the Executive Committee of 9 March 2022, upon suggestion from the Academic Senate meeting of 22 February 2022;
- Having regard to the M.D. n. 247 of 23 February 2022, on the increase of doctoral scholarship;



- Having regard to the document “Italy tomorrow – NEXTGENERATIONITALIA” associated to the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP);
- Having regard to the guidelines for accreditation of doctoral courses approved by the M.D. n. 3992 of 2 March 2023;
- Having regard to the M.D. n. 117 of 2 March 2023, on the allocation of 13.292 triennial doctoral scholarships to be covered by NRRP, Mission 4, component 2 “From research to Enterprise” – Investment 3.3 “Introduction of innovative PhDs that address the innovation needs of enterprises and promote the recruitment of researchers in enterprises”, included the economies made available from the financial endowments referred to in Article 3, paragraph 2, of the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (MUR) Decree No. 352 of 9 April 2022, for enrolling in innovative doctoral programs (accredited ex MD 45/2013 XXXVII cycle – A.Y. 2021/2022 and ex MD 226/2021 XXXVIII cycle – A.Y. 2022/2023) for the A.Y. 2023/2024.
- Having regard to the agreement stipulated on 12 May 2023 with ItaliaCamp S.r.l. in the context of PhD program in Management XXXIX cycle, through which Luiss Guido Carli, in the role of implementor, commits to activate two additional scholarships (ex M.D. 117/2023) co-financed by ItaliaCamp S.r.l. for the following research projects: “Development of Artificial Intelligence for I-Crawler” and “Artificial Intelligence for the Impact Management”, within the doctoral program in Management XXXIX cycle (CUP I83C23000380003);

## **DECREES AS FOLLOWS**

### **ART.1 – ESTABLISHMENT**

The research doctoral program in Management set out in the Annex B and Technical Sheet B annexed hereto, which are an integral part hereof, are hereby established at Luiss Guido Carli for the 2023/2024 academic year, XXXIX cycle, and likewise the specific competitions for admission for the n. 2 scholarships referred to in the M.D. 117 of 2<sup>nd</sup> of April 2023, in the context of NRRP, financed by the EU (Next Generation EU), M4 C2 13.3, for the development of the following binding research projects:

- “Development of Artificial Intelligence for I-Crawler”
- “Artificial Intelligence for the Impact Management”



Said doctoral scholarships are activated in respect to the admission criteria referred to in the art. 7 of the M.D. 117/2023.

Doctoral paths funded in the context of the D.M. 117/2023 must start by 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2023, following a positive admission verifications and coherence in order to assign the ministerial findings, which will be activated after 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2023 and which will determine the effective initiation of the above-mentioned position.

The specific sheet for the program (see Annex B and Technical Sheet B) sets out the educational goals, binding research themes, the method, and criteria for selecting candidates for the purposes of establishing a ranking order for admission.

The Technical Sheet B also indicate the number of places with scholarships that will be assigned on the basis of the ranking order.

In accordance with the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (MUR) Decree No. 226/2021, the PhD program will be activated only upon receiving a positive evaluation from the National Agency for the Evaluation of Universities and Research Institutes (ANVUR) on fulfillment of the requirements for the ministerial accreditation. Therefore, the advertised positions and scholarships will be assigned only in the event of a positive outcome of this evaluation.

Any additions or changes to what is set out herein and, in the Annexes, provided will be published on the University's website <http://www.luiss.it>.

## **ART. 2 – ELIGIBILITY**

Applications to participate in the competition for admission to the doctoral program referred to in article 1 may be submitted by individuals holding all the mandatory requirements cited in the relevant specific Annex B hereto and a master's degree, a specialized degree or an Italian master's degree under the former university system or an analogous academic qualification awarded abroad that is officially recognized in advance by the academic authorities if not already deemed to be officially equivalent. In order to obtain such recognition, a candidate who holds an academic qualification awarded abroad which is not already deemed to be officially equivalent must accompany his or her application with whatever documents are necessary to enable the Admissions Commission – consistent with the rules in force in Italy and the country where the qualification was granted and the international treaties or agreements governing the recognition of qualifications for further education purposes – to assess the qualification solely for doctoral program eligibility purposes. The qualifications must therefore be accompanied by all of the documentation specified in article 3 that is necessary for their assessment. Candidates already



possessing a PhD degree received in Italy or those who have already benefited from a doctoral scholarship in Italy may not benefit from this scholarship. This Call for Applications does not involve attribution of places without scholarship.

In accordance with the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research. In order to not cause hypothesis of State assistance, the employees of enterprises may not be awarded these scholarships.

It is further specified that all candidates who submit self-certification under Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28 December 2000 will be admitted to participate in the competition subject to verification of the self-certified statements and that the University may at any time during the process, including after commencement of the doctoral program, check the veracity of the statements submitted.

In the event of a false statement, the University may order – by a reasoned decision of the Rector – that the candidate be removed from the competition or the doctoral program without prejudice to ensuing criminal implications for the candidate.

### **ART. 3 – ADMISSION APPLICATIONS**

All applications for admission must be submitted exclusively online by the deadline set out in this call for application and cited in the relevant specific Annex B hereto.

Candidates are responsible for all information that is inserted into their online form and the validity of the certification/self-certification submitted. In that regard, candidates are obliged to consult the University's Code of Ethics, with particular regard for points C.1.1. and C.1.2. The Code can be found at the link

[https://www.luiss.it/sites/all/Codice\\_Etico\\_Luiss\\_CdA\\_21\\_aprile\\_2020\\_.pdf](https://www.luiss.it/sites/all/Codice_Etico_Luiss_CdA_21_aprile_2020_.pdf)

The University reserves the right to check the information and validity of the documents submitted. In the event of a discrepancy in what has been declared, it may exclude the candidate at any time, during or after the competition.

The online procedure should be completed by accessing the University's website at the address specified in the relevant specific Annexes.

Once the procedure for submitting the application has been completed, the candidate will receive a print-out thereof as proof of successful completion of the procedure.

The application is to be considered for all statutory purposes a self-certification of the candidate's declared personal details and qualifications.

Each candidate may apply for admission to more than one doctoral program.



Candidates are expected to submit a proof of possession of a master's degree, a specialized degree or Italian master's degree under the former university system or an analogous academic qualification awarded abroad, along with all the documents required in the relevant specific annexes hereto. In this regard, 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 undertaken, the associated grade awarded and credits earned, the grade point average and the degree grade (for each degree, if more than one degree held);

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

1. Certification/self-certification of the of the degree held, setting out the exams undertaken, the associated grade awarded and credits earned, the grade point average and the degree grade (for each degree if more than one degree held);
2. degree parchment in its original language;
3. diploma supplement and 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: 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. 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: 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: <https://www.cimea.it/EN/pagina-attestati-di-comparabilita-e-verifica-dei-titoli> .

Luiss reserves the right to check all documentation submitted by candidates. Should the qualification exhibited not fulfill the requirements set forth in this call for applications and not permit enrolment in the doctoral program, candidates who have made false statements shall be

excluded from the program with an obligation to refund any improperly received scholarship installments, without prejudice to any criminal implications that may arise.

The deadline for applications is **16:00 (CEST), UTC +2 on 30 June 2023**.

#### **ART. 4 – ADMISSION EXAM**

Admission is based on what is indicated in the relevant specific Annex B hereto.

Candidates will be summoned to the written or/and oral exams, by e-mail sent to the e-mail address specified in the application form for the competition filled out online. Notice of the exam will also be given (at least 7 days prior to the date that the exam is scheduled for) on Luiss Guido Carli's website at <http://www.luiss.it>.

In order to sit the exam, candidates will be identified through a valid ID.

#### **ART. 5 – COMPARATIVE EVALUATION, THE ADMISSIONS COMMISSION AND ITS DUTIES**

Comparative evaluation for admission to each program is based on what is set out in the relevant specific Annex B hereto.

The Admissions Commission that comparatively evaluates the candidates for each doctoral program is appointed by decree of the Rector of Luiss Guido Carli, subject to consultation with the Academic Board (Collegio dei Docenti) and consists of at least three members. Such members will either be professors or acknowledged experts in the subject and may be citizens of another country. In any event, the number of professors must exceed the number of experts on the Admissions Commission.

Once the competition exam has been completed, the Admissions Commission ranks, for each doctoral program, the candidates based on the sum of the points awarded to each one.

In the event of a tie between candidates as regards their overall score, the following select criteria shall be used to establish the ranking order for admission and scholarship purposes:

- a) in the event of a tie, the points awarded to Phase One of the selective process (please consult the annex B the present Call for Applications)
- b) in the event of a further tie, the points awarded in connection with the oral exam (please consult the annex B to the present Call for Applications)

c) in the event of a further tie, the points awarded for the Research Proposal.  
Notice of admission to the doctoral program will be given by e-mail (to the address stated in the application form) no later than the date specified in the relevant Annex hereto, by which date the ranking order and list of those admitted will also be published on the Luiss website at <http://www.luiss.it>.

#### **ART. 6 – ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAMS**

Candidates will be admitted to the doctoral programs in ranking order until all places on offer are filled.

The evaluation commission will proceed to assign the two binding research projects, object of this Call, to the two selected candidates.

Should one of the successful candidates decline the place or not accept it in time, pursuant to art. n° 7 of this Call, that place will be awarded to the highest-ranking eligible candidate from among those not originally admitted.

#### **ART. 7 – ENROLMENT APPLICATION**

**By the peremptory deadline of 7 days**, counting from the day after publication of the ranking on the University's website (<http://www.luiss.it>) and the concurrent notice of admission sent to the candidate by email, admitted candidates must communicate by e-mail ([dottorati@luiss.it](mailto:dottorati@luiss.it)) their intention to enroll in the doctoral program, failing which they will be excluded.

Moreover, by the deadline that will be communicated in the notice of admission, admitted candidates must also submit or send by post (the postmark will serve as proof) an application for enrolment in the doctoral program (using the form for such purposes that will be e-mailed to them) and associated attachments, to the PhD & Education Funding, Luiss Guido Carli, Viale Romania 32, 00197 Rome, failing which they will be excluded.

Should any successful candidates expressly or impliedly forgo admission, their place shall be awarded to the highest-ranking eligible candidates.

With reference to what is stated in this article, during enrolment in the Doctoral Program timely notice must be given of any change in what was declared at the time of submission of the enrolment application.

## ART. 8 – NUMBER OF PLACES ON OFFER AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The places on offer for the doctoral program are those indicated in the corresponding Annex B and Technical Sheet B hereto.

Details of any other scholarships, including as a result of cancellation of the scholarship of candidates admitted to the programs, will be communicated in a timely manner.

Scholarships shall be initially awarded for one year and will be yearly renewed on condition that the candidate has completed the schedule of activities envisaged for the previous year as checked in accordance with the procedures laid down for each Doctoral Program.

**The annual amount of the scholarship**, to be disbursed in monthly installments, is determined in accordance with Ministerial Decree of 18 June 2008 and subsequent amendments. Starting from the 1st of July 2022 the amount of each scholarship is set by Ministerial Decree n. 247 of 23 February 2022 and **is worth € 16,243 subject to payment by recipients of their own share of the relevant social security contributions due**. The amount of the scholarship shall be increased by a maximum of 50% for a total period not exceeding 12 months if the doctoral student is authorized by the Academic Board to conduct abroad activities integral to the research project that the doctoral student is required to develop.

Commencing from the second year, the doctoral student shall be guaranteed, in addition to the scholarship and within the context of the University's existing financial resources, a budget for research in Italy and abroad that is adequate for the type of program and that in any event is not less than 10% of the amount of the scholarship. An amount equal to 50% of a scholarship may also be used by those who do not hold a scholarship if authorized by the Academic Board to conduct research abroad for a total period not exceeding 18 months. That increase may not be used for periods shorter than one continuous month, or in the doctoral student's country of birth, citizenship, residence, or domicile.

Commencing from the second year, each doctoral student shall be guaranteed, in addition to the scholarship and within the context of the University's existing financial resources, a budget for research in Italy and abroad that is adequate for the type of program and that in any event is not less than 10% of the amount of the scholarship. Such an amount is guaranteed to doctoral students with or without scholarships.

Winners with a scholarship must join the 'INPS Gestione Separata' State-run pension fund and send an e-mail to Luiss ([dottorati@luiss.it](mailto:dottorati@luiss.it)) providing evidence of their registration in that regard. Scholarships are subject to social security contributions payable to the said pension fund in accordance with applicable law, two thirds of which is borne by the University and one third by the scholarship holders.



Doctoral students enjoy the associated benefits and rights.

### **ART. 9 – RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF DOCTORAL STUDENTS**

Admission to a Doctoral Program entails an exclusive and full-time commitment in line with what is specified in the syllabus for the Doctoral Program concerned, without prejudice to the dispositions referred to in the paragraph 4 and art. 8 paragraph 2, letter b) of the Research Doctorate regulations of Luiss Guido Carli. Enrolled students must attend doctoral courses and activities and continuously undertake study and research within the context of the facilities intended for such purposes and in the manner established by the Academic Board.

The Academic Board may authorize a doctoral student to conduct remunerated activities which enable the achievement of competencies within the educational field of the doctoral program, upon evaluation of the compatibility of the said activity with the productive progress of the educational and research activities under the doctoral program. The annual maximal limit perceivable by the doctoral candidate compliant to the scholarship, cannot surpass the ministerial minimal amount of the scholarship thereto.

The doctoral students may undertake, as an integral part of their educational program, tutoring activities of those studying for the bachelor's and master's degrees, even remunerated, and also additional teaching activities up to forty hours per academic year, subject to the approval by the Academic Board, without such entailing an increase of their scholarship. For these activities the doctoral students receive cheques referred to in the art. 1, paragraph 1, letter b), of the decree law of 9 May 2003, n. 105, converted, with subsequent amendments, by the law n. 170 of 11 July 2003. The income from other activities must not be superior to the Ministerial minimum of the doctoral scholarship.

At the end of every year of study each student enrolled in the doctoral program must submit a detailed report to the Academic Board on the work and research done. The Academic Board will keep the report and, subject to a positive evaluation of the efforts and work of the doctoral student, will propose to the Rector that the student be allowed to continue his or her studies. In the event of a negative evaluation, the recommendation will be that the studies of the doctoral student should cease. Doctoral students may be suspended or expelled from the program further to a unanimous decision of the Academic Board stating the reasons for such a decision. The measures under Legislative Decree No. 68 of 29 March 2012 are extended to doctoral students in the manner provided for therein. Without prejudice to the norms and protection of parenthood rights referred to in the decree of Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare Decree of 12 July 2007 published in Official Gazette No. 247 of 23 October 2007, the doctoral students in family leave maintain the



right to the scholarship. After the suspension period, the scholarship will be paid upon the course attendance is resumed up to the completion of the overall duration of the scholarship period.

In addition to the obligations set out for doctoral students under the regulations of Luiss Guido Carli on Doctoral Research Programs, as for M.D. 117/2023, at the moment of enrollment to the doctoral program, doctoral students agree to the following obligations, failing which will result in exclusion and request to return received scholarship funds:

- a) conduct the doctoral research in conformity with the research project admitted to funding, unless prior request and a successive concession by necessary authorizations from MUR;
- b) deliver a semestral report, articulated by months, laying down the indication of commitments, timewise (in the enterprise, in the University and abroad, if foreseen) and a synopsis of main activities conducted;
- c) undertake a min. of 6 and a max. of 12 months of study and research periods in the enterprise, as indicated in the thematically binding research projects (see Technical Sheet B);
- d) undertake a min. of 6 and max. 12 months of research and study periods abroad as indicated in the thematically binding research projects (see Technical Sheet B);
- e) ensure compliance with obligations regarding communication and information provided for by art. 34 of Regulation (EU) 2021/241, indicating in the project documentation that the Program is funded under the PNRR, with explicit reference to funding from the European Union and the NextGenerationEU initiative (for ex. using the phrase "funded from the European Union - NextGenerationEU"), reporting the emblem of the European Union in the project documentation and providing adequate dissemination and promotion of the Program, including online, both web and social, in line with the provisions of the PNRR Communication Strategy ;
- f) comply with the principle of not causing significant damage, pursuant to Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852, in the implementation of project activities.

It should be noted that the MUR will verify the eligibility for the PNRR support for the selected grants and projects and ANVUR, on the other hand, will verify the consistency of the research projects awarded with the requirements set out in Ministerial Decree 117/23.

Once these checks have been completed, the MUR will notify the University of the definitive allocation of the due funding. **Therefore, the effective activation of the positions indicated above (2 positions with thematically binding scholarships) is to be considered subject to the positive**

**verification of eligibility and consistency with the purpose of assigning the ministerial funding** which will take place after 31 October 2023.

The activities of the funded doctorates, pursuant to art. 7, paragraph 13, of the D.M. 117/2023 must in any case be started by 30 December 2023.

### **ART. 10 – AWARDING OF THE DOCTORATE**

The qualification of research doctorate is attained at the end of the doctoral program and is awarded following positive assessment of a research thesis that contributes to the advancement of knowledge or methodology in the chosen field of inquiry after defense of a doctoral thesis. The research doctorate is conferred by the Rector in accordance with the Research Doctorate Regulations of Luiss Guido Carli and applicable law.

The examinations commission for the final exam will be established and appointed by decree of the Rector in accordance with the Research Doctorate Regulations of Luiss Guido Carli and applicable law.

The doctoral student must deliver the final version of the PhD thesis along with a detailed report of the activities performed during the Doctoral Program, as indicated in art. 8 of D.M. 226 of 14 December 2021.

The PhD certificate will be issued solely if within 30 days after defense of the thesis the doctoral student (with the assistance of the relevant staff) files a copy of the final version of the thesis in the University's open access institutional repository, which stores the work and affords public access thereto. The University will arrange for the thesis to be filed with a special purpose ministerial database and the national libraries in Rome and Florence as required by law.

### **ART. 11 – PRIVACY NOTICE**

Luiss treats the personal data of candidates in full conformance of Reg. UE/2016/679 and D.Lgs. n. 196/2003, as modified by D.Lgs. n. 101/18 and subsequent integrations.

Luiss, as Controller, collects and processes the identifying data (name, surname, place and date of birth, personal tax number and citizenship), contact data (residential address, e-mail address and telephone number), data relating to academic record, data relating to knowledge of foreign languages, data relating to any certifications held by the data subject, in order to manage the application for participation in the doctoral competition and related obligations (the legal basis

for processing lies the fulfillment of the pre-contractual obligations between the parties). Processing takes place in the European Economic Area, on paper and electronically, using the security measures required by law.

Data are processed by Luiss' administrative and teaching staff and by any third party who assists Luiss in management of the application.

Any data subjects wishing to exercise their statutory rights as per articles 15-22 of Reg. UE/2016/679 may do so by writing an email to the Controller, Luiss Guido Carli at Viale Pola 12, 00198 Rome, Italy, [privacy@luiss.it](mailto:privacy@luiss.it) setting out their request.

The contact details of the Data Protection Officer (DPO) are available at [www.luiss.it/contatti](http://www.luiss.it/contatti).

#### **ART. 12 – FINAL PROVISIONS**

For all matters not specifically addressed herein, reference is to be made to the Research Doctorate Regulations of Luiss Guido Carli and the applicable law governing Doctoral Programs. Submission of the online application to participate in the selection process referred to in article 3 above implies the candidate's acceptance of the provisions hereof and the Research Doctorate Regulations in force.

The person in charge of the procedure is Dr Federica Capone.

This announcement will be published on the University's website ([www.luiss.it](http://www.luiss.it)) and the website of the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research ([www.bandi.miur.it](http://www.bandi.miur.it)), which will also arrange for publication on the European Euraxess website and in the Official Gazette of the Italian Republic – 4<sup>th</sup> special series.

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