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- HAVING SEEN Law No. 240 of December 30, 2010, concerning "Regulations on the organization of universities, academic staff and recruitment, as well as delegation to the Government to encourage the quality and efficiency of the university system";
- HAVING SEEN Ministerial Decree No. 226 of December 14, 2021, Regulation on the procedures for accreditation of doctoral program sites and courses and criteria for the establishment of doctoral courses by accredited entities;
- HAVING SEEN Rectoral Decree No. 575 of May 12, 2022 - prot. no. 103409 University Regulation on Research Doctorates;
- HAVING SEEN Decree no. 2562 of February 5, 2025, Approval of doctoral courses network– Pegaso scholarships, XLI cycle, year 2025 of the Tuscany Region and the accompanying technical documents;
- HAVING SEEN Rectoral Decree No. 799 of July 8, 2025, - prot. no. 147595, which announced the selection for admission to the XLI cycle of the Doctoral Programmes, academic year 2025/2026, for the “Pegaso courses”, at the University of Florence;
- GIVEN that among the aforementioned “Pegaso courses” is the doctoral programme in “Social Sciences for Sustainability and Wellbeing” for which no. 8 (eight) positions with scholarship were announced, of which no. 4 (four) are funded by the Tuscany Region;
- GIVEN that, within the aforementioned course, no applications were received for the scholarship with the theme: "Technological neutrality for the automotive sector: socio-economic consequences, environmental resilience and impact on pollution," funded by the Tuscany Region;
- CONSIDERING the importance of the regional funding and having deemed it appropriate to provide for a second selection procedure limited to the aforementioned scholarship, in the hope of achieving a different outcome;
- RECALLING the regulatory requirements of Decree 799/2025, in particular those referred to therein with reference to Annex 1 to Regional Decree No. 2562 of February 5, 2025, Regional Call for the funding of networked doctoral courses among Universities, University Institutes, and Research Bodies also in collaboration with companies, activated in the A.Y. 2025/26 - XLI cycle “Pegaso scholarships year 2025”;
- HAVING SEEN Law No. 241 of August 7, 1990, New rules on administrative procedure and the right of access to administrative documents;
- HAVING SEEN EU Regulation 2016/679 - General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR),

DECREES

The issuance of the following:

call for applications with reference to the scholarship with the theme "Technological neutrality for the automotive sector: socio-economic consequences, environmental resilience and impact on pollution," within the research doctorate course in Social Sciences for Sustainability and Wellbeing, XLI cycle, academic year 2025/2026, at the University of Florence.

Application deadline: October 23, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Art. 1 – OBJECT OF THE CALL

1. A public selection is announced at the University of Florence for one position "Pegaso scholarship" within the Doctoral Programme in Social Sciences for Sustainability and Wellbeing, with its administrative headquarters at the Department of Economics and Business Sciences (www.s3w.unifi.it)
2. Information is provided below:

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PARTNER INSTITUTION	Scuola IMT Alti Studi Lucca
Regione Toscana Pegaso Scholarships 2025 S3W_41_BANDO_2 "Technological neutrality in the automotive sector: socio-economic consequences, environmental resilience, and impact on pollution" <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The scholarship winner will attend the PhD course at the administrative headquarters or at the partner institution.• A period of training/research in an enterprise, a public research institution or other public institution (not a university) of at least 3 months is mandatorily required.	
STUDY/RESEARCH PERIODS ABROAD	6 months
DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR THE ADMISSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Copy of the Identification Document• Self-certification for qualifications obtained in Italy (laurea triennale, specialistica o magistrale o ciclo unico) with list of exams taken, credits and related grade, title of the thesis and graduation mark (using this template or similar forms containing the required information)• Qualifications obtained abroad (Bachelor's and Master Degrees or combined cycle Degree) with a list of all exams taken, credits and related grade, rating scale, title of the thesis and graduation mark <p><i>The same documentation except for the final mark must be submitted by those who will graduate within the 31/10/2025</i></p>

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR THE EVALUATION	MANDATORY <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Research proposal● CV in Europass format OPTIONAL <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Any international certificate of English language knowledge (C1 level or higher in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages)● List of scientific publications (if any)● Any other certification proving the candidate’s research skills and abilities														
RESEARCH PROJECT	The research project, with a maximum length of two pages, must be relevant and consistent with the topic of the scholarship.														
INTERVIEW MODE	Remotely The interview can be taken in Italian or in English language. If in Italian, the English language knowledge is tested during the interview (level B2 at least)														
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EXAMINATION SCHEDULE		
	DATE	TIME
INTERVIEW	October 29 th 2025	09:00 am
The final ranking will be published at page PhD courses		

3. The duration of the doctoral course is three years, with an expected start date of November 1, 2025.
4. By submitting the application in accordance with the procedures set out in article 3, applicants implicitly accept the regulations contained herein.
5. All communications to applicants regarding this call will be sent by e-mail to the e-mail address given by the candidate in the application. The administration is not responsible for the non-receipt of communications due to incorrect contact information or failure or late notification of changes to the contact details indicated in the application, nor for any issues attributable to third parties, chance, or force majeure.
6. The use, in this notice, of the masculine gender has no discriminatory character but, understood as gender-neutral, responds only to needs of more immediate communication.

Art. 2 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Those who hold one of the following academic qualifications at the deadline of the call may apply for the competition, without age or citizenship limitations:
 - master's degree awarded in accordance with Ministerial Decree 270/2004;
 - master's degree awarded in accordance with Ministerial Decree 509/1999;
 - degree awarded under the educational systems prior to Ministerial Decree 509/1999, the legal course of which has a duration of at least four years;
 - second-level academic degree awarded by institutions that are part of the AFAM (Higher Education Institutes in the Artis and Music) sector;
 - academic qualification from foreign universities equivalent to the Italian degree required for admission.
2. Those who will be awarded one of the above degrees by the start date of the programme are also eligible to apply. These candidates are admitted with reserve and it is their duty to send a self-certificate of the awarding of the academic qualification to the Doctoral Office (dottorato@unifi.it) within 10 days of the award date. Failure to submit the above self-certificate by the specified deadline will result in exclusion from the competition.
3. Failure to hold an academic qualification as specified in the preceding paragraphs will result in exclusion from the competition.

Art. 3 – APPLICATION

1. The application for admission must be submitted **through the online application procedure only** starting on September 23, 2025, and no later than 12 noon on October 23, 2025.
2. For the methods of completing and submitting the application, refer to the guide available at the page **Cycle 41 - Call for Applications**
3. In summary, the candidate must:
access the **GSC - Student Career Management system**;
 - select the chosen doctoral programme and the related competition from the menu > Secretariat > Admission Competitions > PhD Courses (M.D. 226/2021)> competition. The competition is identified by a code corresponding to that of the programme sheet;
 - proceed with completing the application by entering the required information and documentation (in .pdf/ and .pdf/A format) following the guided procedure, which also includes payment of the admission fee of €30 via the PagoPA system;
4. Payment must be made after closing the application and according to the online procedure instructions. The payment receipt must be included in the required documentation for participation, under penalty of exclusion, by 11:59 PM on the deadline day of the call.
5. Under no circumstances can the fee be refunded. The candidate will be considered duly enrolled and thus admitted to the competition only after completing payment.
6. If the candidate intends to apply for multiple rankings within the same programme (identified as "competitions" within the online application procedure), they will be required to pay only one fee, inserting the corresponding receipt in the required documentation for participation. If the candidate intends to apply for multiple doctoral programs, they must pay as many fees as the number of programs.

7. Applicants with disabilities or learning difficulties must attach to the application specialist documentation attesting to the disability and specify any aid needed.
8. Documentation must be complete and contain all elements necessary for evaluation.
9. For programmes in which the interview is conducted in person, candidates may choose to use videoconferencing for the interview. This option is available only at the time of application.
10. Once "closed" the online application cannot be modified, nor can it be supplemented with additional documentation. If they wish, respecting the deadline of the call for applications, applicants may submit a new application after requesting cancellation of the previous one by writing to dottorato@unifi.it.
11. It is in the interest of applicants to complete the application, including payment of the admission fee, well in advance of the deadline. For applications closing at 12:00 noon on October 23, 2025, payments made by 11:59 p.m. of the same day will be considered valid. It is incumbent on the candidate to verify that the procedure has been completed correctly.

Art. 4 - ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS AWARDED ABROAD

1. Applicants with foreign academic degrees (equivalent to a master's degree) may apply for admission by attaching the qualifications obtained, accompanied by their translation into Italian or English, even a translation completed personally and under their own responsibility. Such candidates are admitted to the competition with reservation and will be excluded from the competition, or, if they pass it, from the doctoral programme in which they are enrolled if it turns out, upon verification, that the degree does not comply with the requirements of this notice and does not, therefore, allow enrolment in the doctoral programme.
2. The academic degree awarded abroad must be comparable in duration, level and subject area to an Italian second-level academic degree. The suitability of foreign degrees not already recognized under current regulations is ascertained by the Doctoral Admissions Board for the sole purpose of taking part in the admissions procedure, in compliance with the relevant regulations in force in Italy and in the country where the degree was awarded, as well as with international Treaties or Agreements on the recognition of degrees for the pursuit of studies. Candidates whose qualification obtained abroad is not suitable for access to the doctoral programme shall be excluded from the competition.
3. By the beginning of the programme, however, the translated degrees, legalized in Italian and accompanied by a "Dichiarazione di valore in loco" (declaration of value) issued by the competent Italian Representations of the country in which the degree was obtained, or else the '[Statements of comparability and verification of the foreign university degree](#)' issued by the ENIC-NARIC center in Italy (CIMEA) containing all the information required to evaluate the degree, must be delivered to the PhD Office together with the application form. For academic qualifications obtained in a country of the European Union, a *diploma supplement* will suffice.
4. For the purpose of entry into Italy, citizens of non-EU states residing abroad must register on the [University](#) portal and apply for an entry visa (type D postgraduate visa) at the appropriate Italian Embassy or Consulate.

Art. 5 - ADMISSION PROCEDURE

1. Admission to doctoral programs is granted upon passing the admission exam, which assesses, through an appropriate comparative evaluation, the candidate's acquired basic preparation, ability, and aptitude for scientific research.

2. The admission exam includes an evaluation of qualifications and the research project, followed by an interview conducted either in person or via videoconference, using the most common telematic applications.
3. The interview may be conducted in one of the foreign languages specified in the doctoral programme, if any, and may include assessment of proficiency in one or more foreign languages and in Italian for foreign nationals.

Art. 6 - INTERVIEW

1. Candidates for doctoral programmes that allow for the online interview (by videocall) or those who have chosen to take advantage of this option by indicating it in the application for must ensure the availability of a webcam to enable the Admissions Board to identify and view them during the interview. The Board will send the link for conducting the interview.
2. On the day and at the time set for the exam, candidates must be present at the location indicated in the programme factsheet, or, if the exam is conducted online, they must be available at the contact provided. Before starting the exam, candidates are required to identify themselves by showing a valid ID.
3. Failure to show up, failure to connect online, to present on the appointed day or time, or failure to show a valid ID, are grounds for exclusion from the selection procedure.
4. Should technical connection problems occur during the online interview, if the problem affects one or more board members, the exam shall be postponed ex officio to another date; if the problem affects the candidate, the Admissions Board may justifiably postpone the exam to another date, in accordance with the principles of non-discrimination and equal treatment of candidates.

Art. 7 – ADMISSION BOARD

1. Board for admission to the doctoral programme is appointed by the Rector, on the basis of the proposal by the relevant Academic Board, pursuant to the [University Regulations on Doctoral Programs](#) available on the University website at the page [PhD Programmes](#)
2. The composition of the Admission Board is available at on the University's website, at the page [PhD courses](#).
3. The Admission Board conduct a preliminary session, also online, to define the criteria, to evaluate the qualifications and research project submitted by the candidates, who are assigned a score.
4. At the end of the interview, the Boards draw up the ranking list and transmit the minutes of the meetings to the Rector, who shall approve the acts by decree.

Art. 8 - SELECTION RESULT

1. The final ranking, based on the total score obtained by each candidate, will be published at the page [PhD courses](#).
2. The final ranking will indicate the candidate's name, surname, and score obtained.

Art. 9 - ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAMME AND ALLOCATION OF THE POSITION

1. The candidate who is successfully placed in the final ranking is admitted to the doctoral programme. In case the winner withdraws by the start date of the course, another candidate will take her/his place, according to the ranking order.

2. The winner will receive instructions on the methods and deadlines, which are to be considered mandatory, for accepting or declining the position.
3. Failure to meet the deadlines results in declining the position. The instructions, as specified in Article 1, paragraph 4, will be sent to the e-mail address provided in the application for the selection.

Art. 10 - ENROLLMENT

1. The candidate who has accepted the position will receive a communication with the information and forms necessary for enrollment.
2. At the time of enrollment, the winning candidate must formally declare her/his commitment to:
 - carry out study and research periods abroad for at least 6 months over the three-year course. Failure to carry out the period abroad may result in the revocation of the entire scholarship;
 - complete an experience of at least 3 months of training/research in a context, such as a company, a public research body, or another public (non-university) institution. Failure to complete this experience may result in the revocation of the entire scholarship;
 - attend courses for the acquisition of soft skills and knowledge about the labour and research market, which will be offered over the three-year doctoral programme.
3. The enrollment procedure is perfected with the payment of the regional fee and the stamp duty, according to the instructions published on the university website (www.unifi.it/p11733.html).
4. Public employees admitted to doctoral courses are subject to Art. 12, paragraph 5 of Ministerial Decree 226/2021 and other existing regulations.

Art. 11 - REGIONAL FEE FOR ADMISSION AND PROGRAMME ATTENDANCE

1. Doctoral students are required to pay the stamp DUTY (16 euros) and the regional tax for the right to study, the amount of which, unless otherwise determined by the Region of Tuscany, is set at 140.00 euros.
2. The following individuals are not required to pay the regional fee for the right to university study:
 - the winners and eligible candidates in the ranking list to obtain the scholarship of the Regional Board for the Right to University Study
 - students with recognized disabilities (Art. 3, Paragraph 1 of Law No. 104 of 5 February 1992) or a disability of 66 percent or more;
 - students who are children of incapacity pension holders (Art. 30 of Law No. 118 of 30 March 1971).
3. Admission to the years following the first year and the final examination is subject to verification that the regional fee has been paid.

Art. 12 - SCHOLARSHIP

1. The scholarship is awarded as specified in Art. 9.
2. In the case of equal merit, preference is given to the candidate with the most disadvantaged economic situation pursuant to D.P.C.M. no. 159 of 5 December 2013, based on the Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator Statement (ISEE) valid for “prestazioni agevolate per il diritto allo studio

Universitario”.

3. The scholarship is disbursed in monthly instalments in arrears; if the doctoral student withdraws from the programme, he or she loses the right to receive the scholarship from the date of withdrawal.
4. The annual amount of the scholarship is €16,243.00 (before social security charges payable by the recipient).
5. The amount of the scholarship is increased by 50% for conducting research activities abroad for a total period not exceeding twelve months. This period may be extended up to eighteen months for doctoral students under co-supervision by foreign bodies or for doctoral programs activated under a convention or consortium.
6. In addition, the doctoral student is given a *budget* for research in Italy and abroad, amounting to no less than 10% of the amount of the scholarship itself.
7. Those who have already been in receipt, of a scholarship, even in part, for attending a PhD programme cannot receive one a second time.
8. The University may not be able to disburse the scholarship to students from restricted ("embargoed") countries until they obtain a residence permit.

Art. 13 - ATTENDANCE AND OBLIGATIONS OF PhD STUDENT

1. Enrollment in the doctoral course entails the obligation to attend and continuously carry out study and research activities, as well as to acquire, over the three-year period, at least 6 training credits by attending specific in-depth courses related to so-called transversal skills. A stay abroad of at least 6 months is also required.
2. The Academic Board may authorize the performance of paid activities that enable the PhD student to acquire skills pertaining to their doctoral field, after assessing the compatibility of such activities with the PhD programme's training, teaching and research activities.
3. The annual income, if any, from paid work must in any case not exceed the annual amount of the doctoral scholarship.
4. In the case of justified impediments that do not allow effective attendance (illness, maternity and childbirth or other serious and documented reasons), the doctoral student may request suspension of programme attendance, resulting in the interruption of the grant and extension of the training period. The suspension will be decided by the Academic Board.
5. For any further aspects related to the conduct of the PhD programme, please refer to the relevant university regulations.

Art. 14 - AWARDING OF THE DEGREE

1. The doctoral degree (PhD) is awarded after passing the final exam referred to in Art. 27 of the [University Regulations on Doctoral Programs](#) available on the University website at the page [PhD Programmes](#).
2. PhD students are required to enter their doctoral thesis, in an electronic version, in the University's dedicated online repository [FLORE](#).
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Art. 15 - INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OF RESEARCH RESULTS AND PUBLICATIONS

1. Intellectual and industrial property rights on any results obtained by the doctoral student are regulated in accordance with current legislation (Copyright Law - Legislative Decree 633/1941 - and

Industrial Property Code - Legislative Decree 30/2005 and subsequent amendments and additions), the "Regulation for the management of industrial and intellectual property rights with reference to research activities," and, if applicable, based on what is established in individual agreements with universities, companies, or entities involved.

2. The doctoral student is required to sign a specific confidentiality agreement regarding confidential information, data, and documents that *she/he* may become aware of while carrying out their activity at and/or on behalf of the University.
3. The Ph.D. student is, in any case, guaranteed the opportunity to carry out the normal publication activities envisaged by the programme, which must be scheduled in a manner compatible with the protection of any results.

Art. 16 - PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

1. Personal data pertaining to this procedure are collected and processed for the University's institutional purposes in accordance with Articles 13 and 14 of EU Regulation 2016/679 - General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).
2. Candidates are entitled to the rights provided for by the same Regulations. For more details follow the link <https://www.unifi.it/cmpro-v-p-11360.html>.

Art. 17 – PUBLICITY

1. The call is published, by notice, in the Official Gazette of the State - Special Series "Competitions and Exams" - and, in its entirety, on the University's Official Bulletin Board and on the website at the page [PhD courses](#)

Art. 18 - PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE PROCEDURE

1. For all purposes pertaining to this call, the Unit in charge is identified as the Area Servizi alla Didattica – Settore Dottorato di Ricerca, Piazza San Marco 4, 50121 Florence.
2. Information and clarifications on application submission can be addressed to e-mail dottorato@unifi.it or by phone at the following numbers 055 2757 309 - 668 - 671 - 681 - 682 Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Thursday from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
3. The Procedure Manager is Mrs Sabrina Pazzagli.

Art. 19 – FINAL PROVISIONS

1. Competition documents are public, to which access is permitted in the manner established by Law No. 241 of August 7, 1990.
2. For anything not expressly provided for in this announcement, please to the [University Regulations on Doctoral Programs](#) available on the University website at the page [PhD Programmes](#) and to the statutory, regulatory, and ministerial provisions cited in the decree announcing the call for applications.
3. The University reserves the right to exclude at any time candidates who participate in the exams provided for in this call for failure to comply with the provisions given therein or the deadlines specified therein, or for failure to meet the requirements.