UNIVERSITY CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE FUNDING OF RESEARCH PROJECTS BY YOUNG INDEPENDENT RESEARCHERS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAMME 2021/2027 (PNR) STRATEGIC GOALS

1. Are the Team Leader and all Team Members required to have a PhD?
Yes, both Team Leader and all Team Members should have a PhD title, obtained no more than 5 years prior to the call deadline.

2. What happens if the Team Leader or one of the Team Members resign from the project before or after its beginning?
The project should remain in line with the call eligibility criteria throughout its entire duration. Possible replacements of the Team Leader and Team Members shall be assessed by UNIFI Research Commission (Commissione Ricerca) on a case by case basis.

3. Can Team Leader and/or Team Members be involved in more than one proposals?
No, Proposers (Team Leaders and Team Members) may only feature in one project proposal.

4. Can part of the project activities be carried out outside the University of Florence?
No, the project should be carried out at the University of Florence.

5. Is it compulsory to involve more than one UNIFI Department to host the Team Leader and Team Members?
No, there is no minimum number of Departments required but applicants should duly take into account that proposed projects must be multidisciplinary.

6. Can Team Leader and Team Members keep their affiliation to another institution after the beginning of the project?
Please note that Team Leader and Team Members, in case of positive evaluation of their proposals, will be employed at the University of Florence as “Assegnisti di Ricerca” working full time within the project. Therefore it is not possible to keep an affiliation with another institution unless the additional collaboration falls under one of the eligible cases identified by the University of Florence Regulation for the granting of Research Grants, D.R. 550 of 14/05/2020: https://www.unifi.it/upload/sub/statuto_normativa/dr550_2020_conferimento_assegni_ricerca.pdf

7. How long is the assessment process going to last?
The assessment process duration will depend on reviewers availability. At least 2/3 months are going to be needed for the finalization of the evaluations.

8. When projects are expected to start?
The indicative time to grant foreseen is as follows:

- **18/05/2022** Call Deadline
- **2-3 months** Evaluation
- **September/October** Applicants informed
- **October/November** Team Leader acceptance
- **December/January** Project start