

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS DEADLINE: June 20, 2025 at 01.00 PM
Call for applications for no. 3 research grant(s) – Alma Mater Studiorum - University of
Bologna – Department of Economics

HAVING REGARD to:

- Law 240/2010, Article 18, Decree-Law 19/2012
 - the Regulations governing the institution of study grants for postgraduate research activities pursuant to Article 18 of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010 issued by R.D. no. 136 of 05/02/2020;
 - the resolution of the Department Board Meeting of May 14th, 2025;
 - Financial coverage funding from the project SMOOTH: Sustainable Finance for a Smooth Low-Carbon Transition (Project Code: SMOOTH J32F20001160006)."
- The Head of the Department of Economics invites applications for no. 3 research grant(s) for a period of 12 months on the topic of:

Title: Climate and transition economics

Tutor: Emanuele Campiglio

Duration: 12 months

Latest start date: November 1st, 2025

SSD: ECON-01/A

For anything not provided for in this Call for applications, please see the Regulations governing the institution of research grants and the relative applicable laws.

Scope of the activities funded by the research grant:

The candidate will participate in the research activities of the BELIEFS (Climate-related beliefs and low-carbon transition dynamics) project, funded by an ERC Consolidator Grant. The project explores the behavioral and macroeconomic dimensions of the decarbonization process. The main objectives of the project are to: (i) provide new empirical evidence on the transition-related expectations of firms and policy makers; (ii) understand how these expectations influence investment decisions, policy choices and the overall dynamics of the transition; and (iii) identify effective political and institutional strategies to align expectations with climate objectives. The project will combine surveys, laboratory experiments, empirical analyses and dynamic models of transitions with heterogeneous expectations. The candidate will support the project activities by performing a variety of functions, including data collection and cleaning, literature reviews, statistical and econometric analyses, programming code writing, and any other relevant research activity.

Amount

The amount of the grant is € 15.600,00 and is subject to the taxes and social security contributions provided for by law. The amount disbursed is deemed as covering any and all costs related to conducting the research activities envisaged by the project.

The accident insurance premium will be deducted from the first instalment of the grant valid at the time of announcing the Call for applications.

Application procedures

Applications may be submitted through the following alternative methods:

- **Via Certified E-mail (Posta Elettronica Certificata – PEC)** to the address *dse.dipartimento@pec.unibo.it*, specifying in the subject line of the email: *"Application for post-graduate research grant titled 'Climate and Transition Economics'"*. The deadline for submission is **20/06/2025 at 1:00 PM (CET)**. Compliance with the deadline is determined by the date and time the certified email is received. The application form, duly completed and signed, along with all other required documents in .pdf format and a scanned copy of a valid identity document, must be attached.
- **Via standard E-mail** to the address *dse.segreteria@unibo.it*, specifying in the subject line of the email: *"Application for post-graduate research grant titled 'Climate and Transition Economics'"*. The deadline for submission is **20/06/2025 at 1:00 PM (CET)**. Compliance with the deadline is determined by the date and time the email is received. The application form, duly completed and signed, along with all other required documents in .pdf format and a scanned copy of a valid identity document, must be attached.

Applications sent after the established deadlines or that do not contain the correct information as specified above will not be considered.

Requirements to apply

- Degree in Economics or any other relevant field or a degree obtained under the system existing prior to Ministerial Decree 509/99, as amended, or equivalent qualification obtained at a foreign university the suitability of which has been ascertained by the Selection Committee;
- to have not yet turned 39 years of age as at the deadline date of the Call for applications;
- to not be in receipt of another research grant at this University in accordance with these Regulations the duration of which, together with the duration of the grant to which the Call for applications refers, exceeds 12 months in total.

Participation in the procedure for the award of the research grants governed by these Regulations is not open to anyone who has a degree of kinship or affinity up to and including the fourth degree with a tenured professor or assistant professor of the Department involved in deciding on the award or the Department in which the research activities will be conducted, or with the Rector, the Director General or a member of the Board of Governors of the University. The requirements must be met by the deadline established in this Call for applications. Candidates are admitted conditionally; if they fail to meet the aforementioned requirements, they may be excluded at any time, including following the selection procedure. In this case, a reasoned decision will be issued and communicated to the interested party.

Preferential qualifications

The following will be considered as preferential qualifications: a Master's degree (or near completion thereof); familiarity with research topics related to the economics of climate change and the low-carbon transition; experience with research methods, including statistical and econometric analysis, theoretical modeling, numerical simulations, laboratory experiments, and surveys; experience working in project teams; international study and/or work experience; and excellent writing and speaking skills in English.

Incompatibilities

The grants cannot be combined:

- with research fellowships and other study or research grants awarded for any reason, except those awarded by national and foreign institutions for the purposes of supplementing, through visits abroad, the specific activities envisaged in the programme of work to be carried out by the grant holder.
- with any fixed-term or permanent contract of employment, unless the grant holder is granted unpaid leave by his/her employer.

The grant holder is required to declare, under his/her own responsibility, that in his/her case, there is no incompatibility or combination of grants, and to promptly communicate any change in this circumstance.

Upon submitting his/her application, the grant holder must declare that he/she has received another research grant at this University.

The grant holder may perform freelance work, provided he/she informs the grant issuer beforehand and that said work is declared by the grant issuer as compatible with the research activities, that there is no conflict of interest with the specific research activity carried out by the grant holder and that it is not detrimental to the University in relation to the activity carried out.

The study grant for postgraduate research activities does not in any way establish an employment contract and does not give rise to any rights in relation to access to University positions.

How to participate

Candidates must submit:

- a. the application form, signed and dated
- b. a CV in Europass format, signed and dated
- c. front and back copy of a valid identity document (ID card or passport)
- d. self-certification, issued in accordance with Presidential Decree 445/2000, with regard to their possession of the qualifications to be assessed, drafted in accordance with the attached template (Annex C).

Candidates who have gained qualifications abroad must attach a translation into Italian of the foreign qualification, accompanied by self-certification attesting to its fidelity to the original. Foreign degrees may be declared admissible by the Examination Board solely for the purposes of participating in the selection. Successful candidates who have gained degrees in a country outside of the European Union must send the Structure the official translation along with a Declaration of Value of the foreign degree issued by the relevant Italian diplomatic or consular official in their country of origin. It must be sent in the same manner as that provided for submitting the application, in accordance with the laws in force, within 30 days of the notification of the outcome of the selection, as formalised through the decree approving the documentation. The research grant will be withdrawn in the event that the documents are not received by the Structure by said deadline

- e. declaration in lieu of an affidavit in accordance with Presidential Decree 445/2000, drafted in accordance with the attached template (Annex D)
- f. any other document, qualification or publication that may help the application
- g. a signed and dated list on unstamped paper of the documents and certificates submitted with the application.
- h. A letter of recommendation from a professor or expert affiliated with a different university or research institution

Selection procedure and assessment method

Candidates will be selected by an Examination Board appointed pursuant to Article 7 of the Regulations on research grants. The selection procedure will entail an assessment of the qualifications and curriculum vitae submitted by the candidates, based on which a score will be allocated. Before starting the assessment, the Examination Board will establish the total points available to be allocated which, in any case, may not exceed 100. The points will be allocated as follows: Curriculum vitae and qualifications of the candidates will be evaluated according to the criteria specified below, for a maximum of 100 points:

- a) Educational qualifications (Bachelor's or Master's degree) relevant to the topics of the call: maximum 25 points;
- b) Knowledge of research topics related to the economics of climate change and the low-carbon transition: maximum 25 points;
- c) Experience with research methods, including statistical and econometric analysis, theoretical modeling, numerical simulations, laboratory experiments, and surveys: maximum 25 points;
- d) Experience working in project teams: maximum 10 points;
- e) International study and/or work experience: maximum 5 points;
- f) Excellent writing and oral communication skills in English: maximum 10 points.

Having completed the assessment of qualifications and curriculum vitae, the results of which will be communicated directly to the candidates, the Board will proceed with the interviews in order to establish the attitude of the candidates in conducting the research for which the grant is to be awarded. Candidates will be notified directly of the date and location of the interviews.

Based on the points allocated, suitable candidates will be ranked and the winner identified by the Examination Board. In the event of a tie, preference will be given to the youngest candidate. The ranking list of suitable candidates will be valid for one year and may be used exclusively for the research activities indicated in the Call for applications itself.

Award of the grant

Having received the documentation related to the selection, the Head of the Structure approves it and issues the relative decision.

The name or identification code of the successful candidate, along with the ranking of eligible applicants, will be communicated directly to the interested parties by 15/07/2025. Notification will be sent via email to the address provided in the application form.

The winner must sign the grant acceptance statement by the deadline established in the decision issued by the Head of the relative Department or Structure. Signing this statement indicates acceptance without reservation of the Call for applications terms and conditions and of the University regulations. Failure to accept by the established deadline entails the automatic forfeiture of the grant pursuant to Article 8 of the Regulations governing the institution of research grants for postgraduate research activities. By signing the statement, the winner also declares, under his/her own responsibility, that he/she is not subject to any of the prohibitions or incompatibilities contemplated by the Call for applications and by the Regulations governing the institution of research grants at the University of Bologna. In the event that the winner renounces the grant or does not accept by the established deadline, or of early termination of the grant, it will be offered to the next candidate on the ranking list. In such case, the order of the final list of suitable candidates ranked according to merit must be followed, in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations governing the institution of research grants for postgraduate research activities (Article 7).

Rights and obligations of grant holders

The grant holder is required to carry out the research activities for which the grant has been awarded, adhering to the learning programme prepared by the tutor and working under the supervision of the

latter. The provisions of Article 9 of the Regulations governing the institution of research grants for postgraduate research activities apply.

Procedure Supervisor:

In accordance with the provisions of Article 5 of Law no. 241 of 07/08/1990, as amended, the administrative procedure supervisor of this selection is Annamaria Iembo.

Processing of personal data

Pursuant to Article 13 of the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and the Council of 27 April 2016), candidates are advised that the personal data provided by them during the selection procedure or obtained for that purpose by Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna will be processed solely for the purpose of conducting the competition and by persons responsible for the competition procedure and by the Examination Board at Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna. The data will be processed using also computerised procedures, in the manner and to the extent required in order to achieve the aforementioned purposes, including the possible disclosure to third parties. The provision of such data is necessary in order to verify the candidates' qualifications and that they meet the participation requirements. Failure to provide this data may hinder this verification. Candidates have the rights referred to in Articles 15 et seq. of the aforementioned Regulation (EU) 2016/679, in particular the right to access their data, to request and obtain the rectification, erasure or restriction on processing of their data, as well as the right to object to the processing of their data. Candidates may exercise these rights by emailing Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna at privacy@unibo.it. Data subjects who believe that their personal data have been processed in violation of the requirements of the Regulation may file a complaint with the Italian Data Protection Authority, as provided for by Article 77 of the above Regulation, or seek an effective judicial remedy (Article 79 of the Regulation). The Data Controller is Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna (headquarters: via Zamboni 33, 40126 - Bologna, Italy; email: privacy@unibo.it; PEC: scriviunibo@pec.unibo.it). The contact details for the Data Protection Officer are: headquarters: via Zamboni 33, 40126 - Bologna, Italy; email: dpo@unibo.it; PEC: scriviunibo@pec.unibo.it. Further information can be found in the relative privacy policy available on the website www.unibo.eu/privacy/

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