

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS DEADLINE: July 24, 2025 at 11.59 PM (Europe/Brussels time).
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 Decree Rep. 130/2025 Prot. 2760 of 03/07/2025;
 - 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 € 21.600,00 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

The application for participation in the selection process must be submitted exclusively online by accessing the website: <https://concorsi.unibo.it>, after completing the personal registration procedure as outlined in the instructions provided on the same web platform. The deadline for submitting applications is strictly set for **24/07/2025 at 11:59 PM (Europe/Brussels time)**. Applications submitted after this time will be excluded.

The date of receipt of the application is indicated in the confirmation receipt sent electronically to the candidate.

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

In the online application, candidates must indicate, under their own responsibility and following the instructions of the web procedure:

- last name and first name;
- date and place of birth;
- citizenship;
- place of residence and any other contact address relevant for the selection process;
- possession of the qualification required under Article 4 of the call, specifying the university and the year it was obtained, or possession of an equivalent academic qualification obtained abroad.

Candidates must attach the following documents to their application:

- a copy of a valid identification document;
- their academic and professional curriculum vitae, including scientific output.

Candidates holding a qualification obtained abroad must also attach the **Diploma Supplement** (if available) or the **degree certificate**.

Documents submitted by candidates must be in Italian or English. If the documents are written in a different language, they must be accompanied by a free translation into Italian or English; the translation may be done directly by the candidate.

The foreign academic qualification is considered valid by the Selection Committee for the sole purpose of allowing participation in the selection. The formal verification of the qualification will be carried out after the identification of the selected candidate(s), upon submission of all required documentation.

Selected candidates who obtained their academic qualification in a country outside the European Union must, within 30 days from the announcement of the selection results, submit one of the following documents certifying the value of the qualification:

- **Diploma Supplement;**

- **Declaration of value** issued by the Italian diplomatic authorities in the country where the qualification was obtained;
- **Certificate of authenticity and comparability** issued by centers such as ENIC-NARIC.

On the “Documentation regarding the value of foreign qualifications” page, it is possible to check the available procedures, accepted documents, and any cases of exemption. Documents must be in Italian or English.

The offices reserve the right to request to view the original paper documents if deemed necessary.

The research grant will be revoked if the required documents are not received by the Department within the specified deadline or if the formal verification of the documents yields a negative outcome.

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.

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

Once the documents related to the selection process have been received, the Director of the Department will formally approve the ranking list drawn up by the Committee. The list will be published on the website: <https://bandi.unibo.it/ricerca/borse-ricerca>. The ranking, indicating the full name of the selected candidate, will be published by **04/09/2025**.

Notification will be sent via email to the address provided in the acceptance 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 -

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Further information can be found in the relative privacy policy available on the website www.unibo.eu/privacy/

THE HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

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