The INdAM-DP-COFUND-2015 programme offers to researchers from all over the world the opportunity to enter a PhD School in Italy.

The main feature of the Programme is to create a large network, coordinated by INdAM, of Academic partner organisations (Universities) with their PhD Schools, and non-academic organisations, especially industries and enterprises, in order to build a multicultural and stimulating environment where excellence, interdisciplinarity, international and intersectoral exposure can offer to the fellows top-level training, research and working conditions.

The programme consists of two Calls, offering a total number of 20 fellowships (10 per Call). The duration of the programme is 60 months, for a total number of 720 fellow-months.

Eligibility criteria for Researchers

The target group of final beneficiaries to be supported under INdAM-DP-COFUND-2015 are early stage researchers (ESR).

That is, on the date of the relevant deadline for the submission of proposals, applicants to the fellowship programme must be in the first four years (full-time equivalent research experience) of their career and must not have been awarded a doctoral degree yet.

They must also be in possession of a degree, which formally entitles them to embark in a Doctorate in Italy.

All fellowships will be of type Incoming: applicants must be nationals of a EU Member State (MS) different from Italy, or of an Associated Country (AC) or of a Third Country, who at the deadline for submission of proposals, have not resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Italy for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the Call deadline. Short stays such as holidays are not taken into account.

Italy nationals having legally resided or having had their main activity (work, studies, etc.) outside Italy for at least three out of the last four years, measured at the submission deadline for proposals, are treated as Italian non-nationals (concept of assimilated nationality). Short stays such as holidays are not taken into account.

Duration

The fellowships have a duration of 36 months.

The mobility allowance amounts to 600 €/month.

A travel allowance: this is an allowance paid upon taking up employment and yearly thereafter.

Six trips will be covered, up to 1000 € each, between the origin location of the fellow and the Partner institution in Italy, two for each year of the fellowship.

A research cost contribution (RCC): the RCC will be paid by INdAM directly to the fellow as reimbursement of expenses for the direct purchase of any material (excluding hardware) or consumable goods needed for his research, and of travel and living expenses for research periods spent at foreign Universities and Institutes, or participation to scientific events, including events organized by INdAM.

The RCC contribution amounts to 2664 € per year.

Expenses for supporting fellows: INdAM will pay a monthly contribution of 500 € + VAT to each non-academic partner organization which hosts a fellow for a secondment period related to her/his career development plan, for a maximum of four months.

The amount of each fellowship is shown in the following table.

Summary

- Living allowance …………… (*) 2050 €/month
- Mobility allowance …………… 600 €/month
- Travel allowance …………… (*) 167 €/month
- Living + Mobility + Travel allowances ……………………. (*) 2817 €/month
- Research Cost Contribution ……………………. (*) 222 €/month
- Expenses for supporting secondment periods ……………………. (*) 55,60 €/month
- Total (*) ………………… 3094,60 €/month

(*) This is an average amount

- Number of fellows …………………… 20