



SELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE TYPE "B" VISITINPS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

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PRELIMINARY REMARKS

INPS promotes research and economic analysis, and the assessment of legislative policies on matters falling within the Institute's competence and included in its "Strategic Research Areas.". It does this through the "Visitinps Scholars" research program, established with Presidential Resolutions No. 13 of 02 April 2015 and No.53 of 28 May 2015, and governed by the Regulations adopted with Presidential Resolution No. 62 of 24 February 2017.

For the realization of this research program, INPS shall award, through a public selection preceded by the publication of a public notice, "Visitinps Fellowship" scholarships and "Type A and B Visitinps Scholars Programs" whose themes must be included and consistent with the Institute's "Strategic Research Areas."

This public notice launches a selection procedure with the aim of defining a list of eligible candidates for the assignment of 25 research programs within the framework of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program".

The subjects of research projects must be included and coherent with INPS's research areas of interest qualified as "Strategic Research Areas" identified by Presidential Resolution No. 36 of 5 April 2018 and published on the institutional website.

The person in charge of the procedure is Dr. Massimo Antichi - Director of the Study and Research Central Directorate dcstudiericerche@inps.it.

The Scientific Director of the "Visitinps Scholars" research program is Professor Pietro Garibaldi.

Art. 1 – Participation requirements and incompatibilities

This public notice launches a selection procedure with the aim to define a list of eligible candidates for the assignment of 25 research programs within the framework of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program".

The participation in this procedure is open to the following Italian or foreign citizens:

- full, adjunct, associate professors and equivalent researchers, belonging to Italian or foreign Universities or research Institutes;
- researchers with a PhD, or equivalent degree obtained abroad, or in the process of obtaining a PhD, or equivalent degree obtained abroad, who have completed



all exams (and / or other educational and training activities) provided for by the PhD program or equivalent degree, lacking only the discussion of the graduation thesis.

The participation in the procedure for assigning research projects within the framework of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" is not open to:

- the Institute's employees;
- whoever has a degree of kinship or affinity, up to the second degree, with a member of the Scientific Committee or with the President or with the General Manager.

Art. 2 - Topic of the research project

Candidates must submit a research project on themes falling within the Institute's interest, included in and consistent with the "Strategic Research Areas" provided on the institutional website.

Art. 3 - Duration and allowance of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program "

The "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" shall last 3 months from the from the first day research activity.

The starting date of the research activity, as indicated in the following Article 5, shall be established within one year from the date of publication of the list of assignees. The three months for the research program may be continuous or divided, as long as completed within one year from the date on which the research activity began.

No payment or allowance shall be provided for the realization of this research program.

Art. 4 - Content, modality and terms for submitting applications

The application form, which must be submitted following the structure of the model A application attached must be received within and no later than 16.00 (Italian time) of 16th July 2018 at the e-mail address visitinpscholars@inps.it.

Applications submitted in any other form will not be accepted.

Candidates are allowed to submit only one application form and one research project; if candidates submit more than one application with several research projects for each application, or one application with several research projects, they shall be



required by the Director of the Study and Research Central Directorate, before the beginning of the evaluation process, to specify which research project they intend to submit. This clarification must be received within three days from the request, under penalty of exclusion.

Throughout the duration of the "*Type B Visitinps Scholars Program*", candidates will be allowed to make use of the support of a collaborator assistant, whose scientific and professional competences for the realization of the research project shall be evaluated by the Scientific Committee. The name of the assistant must be indicated in the research activity assignment contract which shall specify that the assistant will be allowed to have access to information useful for the research activity pertaining to the researcher's project in compliance with the modalities described in Article 6 below and in accordance with the rules on privacy provided in Article 10 below.

In the application form, under penalty of exclusion, candidates must indicate their address or certified e-mail address. Moreover, the application form must contain the following annexes:

- the research project that candidates intend to carry out (maximum five pages);
- candidates' curriculum vitae, with an attached report representing candidates' scientific production with the research project submitted;
- a copy of a valid identification document duly signed;
- a declaration stating not to be in one of the situations of incompatibility mentioned in the previous Article 1;
- the name of the possible assistant with whom candidates intend to carry out the research activity, annexing relevant curriculum vitae.

The documentation annexed to the application form must be submitted exclusively in a pdf format.

Candidates with previously awarded scholarships or research projects within the framework of the "*Visitinps Scholars*" program are allowed to submit a new application for the "*Type B Visitinps Scholars Program*" referred to in this public notice, as long as the new research project contains elements of absolute novelty compared to previous project / projects.

For any further information please write to visitinpscholars@inps.it.



Art. 5 - Selection modality, processing of the list of the eligible candidates and assignment of the 'Type B Visitinps Scholars Program'

An evaluation Committee shall carry out a comparative evaluation of the candidates by comparing their scientific curriculum on the basis of the professional experience resulting from the curriculum vitae and from the scientific publications (indicated in the report representing their scientific production as mentioned in the previous Article 4) considered relevant.

The Committee, for the purposes of the comparative evaluation mentioned above, shall consider the following elements which, in order to be evaluated, will have to be consistent with the project submitted, inferable from the training and research path indicated in the curriculum vitae and related to the Institute's "Strategic Research Areas":

- experience gained in research activities, including any scholarships, research awards or grants received, at public or private universities, Italian or foreign, or at structures involved in research activities within research institutes, public or private international organizations, Italian or foreign;
- experience in organizing, managing and coordinating research structures or groups at the same organizational structures mentioned above;
- publications, formulations and researches of original and innovative nature, or of scientific relevance for collocation as leading article in the relevant publication.

Before beginning the evaluation, the Committee shall verify if the theme of the research project is included in and consistent with the Institute's "Strategic Research Areas" and if it is scientifically valid; should that not be the case, the Committee shall exclude the candidate.

The Committee shall give candidates a single score up to a maximum of 100 points, taking into account what provided for under paragraph 2.

In order to be considered eligible, candidates must obtain a total score of at least 60 points.

The list of the eligible candidates is approved with Presidential resolution and published on the institutional website; it is valid for 12 months, starting from the date of publication and, in any case, not beyond the publication of the following selection announcement.

The Director of the Study and Research Central Directorate is in charge of the assignment, with personal resolution. The list of assignees shall be published on the institutional website.



The assignment is notified to the assignees through a written notice. Within 15 days from receiving the notice, the assignees must send an acceptance or renunciation statement to the e-mail address visitinpscholars@inps.it indicating the date on which they intend to start the research activity (the starting date of the research activity must be within one year from the date of publication of the list of assignees). If the assignees do not send the acceptance or renunciation statement within the deadline, the assignment shall be considered forfeited and the following eligible candidate on the list shall receive the assignment.

Before beginning the research activity, the assignee must sign the relevant contract.

By signing the contract, the researcher assignee of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" states not to be in any of the situations of incompatibility mentioned in Article 1, nor to be in any situation of conflict of interest pursuant to Article 53, paragraph 14, of Lgs.D.165 / 2001 and following amendments and integrations, and commits to communicate any changes as to what was stated, under penalty the rescission of the contract.

Moreover, the researcher - and, if present, the assistant - by signing the contract, agrees to comply with the Institute's Code of Conduct published on the website www.inps.it, and to comply with the obligations provided for by Article 20 "Workers' Obligations" of Lgs. D. 81/2008 (Regulations on Health and Safety in the Workplace), as well as with what provided for by the implementation regulations and by the Institute's regulations on the matter, since, for the sole purposes and effects of the aforementioned Legislative Decree, the researcher, in carrying out research activities, is equal to an employee and therefore obliged to comply with the mentioned regulations.

Art. 6 - Method for carrying out research activity

The research activity must be carried out with the supervision and coordination of the Scientific Director.

During the duration of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" as mentioned in the previous Article 3, the researcher and, if present, the assistant - shall have access to the Institute through an identification badge.

The researcher must submit at least two intermediate reports to the Scientific Director illustrating the research activity carried out, as well as a final document on the research carried out within the program. This final document must be submitted within 3 months from the end of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program".

In order to carry out the research activity, the researcher shall be provided by INPS with the necessary equipment and tools.



The researcher assignee of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" must present his/her work at specific seminars organized periodically by the Study and Research Central Directorate.

The assignment of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" does not entail the entering into any form of employment relationship, nor an evaluation useful for legal and economic careers within the Institute, nor any severance pay or other sum at any title.

Article 7 - Insurance cover

The assignee of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" and his/her assistant accessing INPS's premises shall be guaranteed suitable insurance cover pertaining to a third party civil liability insurance activated by the Institute.

Article 8 - Renunciation and Forfeiture

Forfeiture from the assignment of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" shall involve whoever does not declare to accept the assignment within the term indicated in the previous Article 5; whoever, does not indicate the date on which he/she intends to begin the research activity, or whoever does not begin the research activity within one year from the date of publication of the list of assignees, except for justified reasons arising from serious health conditions or force majeure, duly proven.

The assignee of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" who intends to renounce to the assignment must give written notice to the Director of the Study and Research Central Directorate at the following address dcstudiericerche@inps.it.

Failure to submit the periodical reports on the research activity carried out as well as the final document provided for by the previous Article 6, shall entail the forfeiture from the assignment of the research program, except for justified reasons.

Article 9 - Intellectual Property

INPS has the right to make use of the methodologies developed and of the results achieved through the research activity.

The researcher assignee of the "Type B Visitinps Scholars Program" is entitled to the copyright on the results of the activities he/she carried out using INPS's data, resources and information and, therefore, is allowed to submit his/her works for publication outside the Institute, exclusively for academic and scientific purposes. Nonetheless, the researcher must make clear reference to the fact that the activities were carried out within the framework of the "Visitinps Scholars" research project and clarify that the



publications reflect exclusively the author's opinions and that the Institute is in no way liable.

Without prejudice to this possibility, the research work may be published preliminarily within the Institute, in the "Workings papers series, upon the proposal of the Scientific Committee.

Article 10 - Data processing

For the realization of the "Visitinps Scholars" program, the Institute, before processing the researcher's data, carries out a procedure to make personal data anonymous — at the end of which the information will not result in any way or over time referable to an identified or identifiable individual.

Therefore, in order to realize the assigned activity, each researcher and each assistant shall be assigned a personal user name, provided the Institute in order to access the processing systems. They shall be allowed to consult the anonymous data, according to the modalities indicated in the single research program assignment contracts and, in any case, in compliance with what provided for by Legislative Decree No. 196 of 30 June 2003 and following amendments and integrations.

The assignee researcher and his/her assistant, as mentioned in the previous Article 4, are prohibited to transfer, communicate or disclose to third parties, for any reason, the data object of the activity assigned.

The data collected for the purposes mentioned in this announcement shall be processed and stored in compliance with Lgs. D. No. 196/2003 (Personal Data Protection Code) and Regulation UE 679/20016 and following amendments and integrations.

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