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**Research fellowship on 'The nature of the mind in Indo-Tibetan Buddhist philosophy: implications in contemporary philosophical debates and religious contexts in Italy, the Tibetan diaspora and in the Chinese world' - Università Ca' Foscari Venezia**  
(Italian law 30 December 2010, n.240, art. 22 and subsequent amendments and additions)

The present document in English is to be considered as a mere summary of the main provisions of the notice of competition which is available in Italian at the following ([link](#)). The text in Italian is the official text of the notice of competition for all legal intents and purposes and, in the event of non-conformity with the present document, it shall prevail.

#### Description

The Department of Asian and North African Studies at Università Ca' Foscari Venezia invites applications for a fellowship in:

- **Title:** The nature of the mind in Indo-Tibetan Buddhist philosophy: implications in contemporary philosophical debates and religious contexts in Italy, the Tibetan diaspora and in the Chinese world.
- **SSD e/o settore concorsuale:** L-OR/18;
- **Responsabile scientifico e tutor:** Prof.ssa Francesca Tarocco
- **Durata:** 12 mesi
- **Abstract:** The project should focus on the philosophical and historical-critical analysis of the doctrines concerning the nature of consciousness in the Indo-Tibetan Buddhist tradition, with a particular focus on their relevance and topicality in two distinct contexts:
  - 1) on the one hand, the way in which these doctrines impact on the religious practices of Tibetan Buddhism that are still lived and practised today in various contexts, ranging from Buddhist centres present in Italy and Europe, to the main countries of the Tibetan diaspora, to the Chinese world;
  - 2) on the other hand, their contribution to the contemporary debate in the field of philosophy of mind.

The project is financed by *Unione Buddhista Italiana* (agreement no. 243/2023, prot. No. 0278281/III-13 of December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024; CUP H73C23001220007)

The research may be carried out in English.

The fellowship is intended to provide the successful candidate with the opportunity to pursue his/her own research while benefiting from the range of expertise at Università Ca' Foscari Venezia.

#### Who can apply

Prospective candidates are expected to hold a doctoral degree in philosophy, or related disciplines and a suitable professional CV for the requested research activities.

Ca' Foscari encourages applications from researchers with positive evaluation in all the criteria in individual proposals such as Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) or similar. Researchers having successfully completed Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) or similar funded projects are warmly encouraged to apply.

**Duration of contract:** 12 months (approximately starting: April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024).

**Stipend:** The research fellowship amounts to 20.266,00 Euros per year, including taxes and social charges.

**Deadline for submission of applications: January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024, 12.00 noon.**

#### How to apply:

Candidates should submit:

1. The application form;
2. A motivation letter (max 1 page) along with their CV in European format, duly dated and signed, both to enclosed as a one single.pdf file. ([link](#))



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3. A copy of a valid identity document (either Identity Card or Passport);
4. (If available) Evaluation Summary Reports of Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships/ ERC Starting Grants/FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/SIR (Scientific Young Independence Research) individual proposals having passed all the evaluation thresholds;
5. (If available) Details of Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships, ERC Starting Grants, FIRB (Italian Fund for basic research investments)/ SIR Scientific Young Independence Research funded projects;
6. Declaration on availability to held the interview in remote ([Link](#)) to be send via email at the following address: [ricerca.dsaam@unive.it](mailto:ricerca.dsaam@unive.it)
7. All documents, qualifications and publications relevant for the selection procedure (please, see the notice [link](#));
8. Publications in .pdf format.

All the schemes of the quoted documentation are available on the website ([link](#)).

### How to submit your application

Applications should be submitted by the online procedure, available on the notice webpage ([link](#))

<https://apps.unive.it/domandeconcorso-en/accesso/dsaamubitar231>

Foreign citizens not yet in possession of the Italian Tax Code can use the following link <https://apps.unive.it/utills/cf> to obtain a temporary one and be able to proceed with the request.

The candidate, after the uploading, will receive a submission number and an e-mail acknowledging receipt of his/her application.

The candidate if necessary could access the procedures for updating any data and materials by the link provided by the e-mail, in any case any updates must be made no later than the deadline: January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Please note that the University can be contacted for any support needs by the candidate until 24 hours prior to the deadline.

Please note that in case of an high number of applications and / or weight of the materials loaded by the candidates the system might become slower, Therefore it is suggested not to start the process close to the deadline.

**NB:** the University does not take on responsibility for wrong or late communication of addresses, nor for any communication problem not depending on the University.

### Evaluation

Up to 100 points, specifically:

For qualifications, publications and possible tests, from 0 to 60;

For interview, from 0 to 40.

### Selection procedure

The short-list of the candidates admitted to the interview and the related calendar, or any postponement, will be published on the University's webpage on February 22<sup>th</sup>, 2024. ([link](#)).

### Information and contacts

Candidates may find further details about the application process and the research project in the official call published on the following ([link](#))

For further information please email [ricerca.dsaam@unive.it](mailto:ricerca.dsaam@unive.it)