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**Call for applications for 6 (six) awards funded by Generali Italia S.p.A. for
the Bachelor's Degree Programme in Engineering Physics [CTR8]
and the Master's Degree Programme in Engineering Physics [CMR13]**

Ca' Foscari University of Venice

Academic Year 2025/2026

THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOLECULAR SCIENCES AND NANOSYSTEMS

HAVING REGARD TO the Statute of Ca' Foscari University of Venice;

HAVING REGARD TO the University Educational Regulations;

HAVING REGARD TO the University Regulations for the awarding of scholarships, study awards and incentives for enrolment and specific educational activities;

HAVING REGARD TO the Regulations of the Academic Programmes;

HAVING REGARD TO The *Generali4Girls in STEM* programme, run by Generali Italia S.p.A. (herein referred to as Generali), which aims to encourage female students to enrol in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) degree programmes.

HAVING CONSIDERED the University's commitment to encourage female students to take up STEM disciplines within the scope of the LEI - Leadership, Energy, Entrepreneurship project;

HAVING REGARD TO the letter of intent from Generali dated 24/07/2025 (Rep. no. 201507 – III/12 dated 29/07/2025), which formalises the commitment to fund:

- 3 (three) three-year awards of € 3,000.00 each (€ 1,000/year) for deserving female students enrolled in the Bachelor's Degree in Engineering Physics for the Academic Years 2025/2026, 2026/2027, 2027/2028
- 3 (three) two-year awards of € 2,000.00 each (€ 1,000/year) for deserving female students enrolled in the Master's Degree in Engineering Physics for the Academic Years 2025/2026 and 2026/2027

HAVING REGARD TO the Decree of the Director of the Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems coll. 704/2025 rep. n. 202518 III/12 of 29/07/2025 authorising for the academic year 2025/2026 the selection procedures to award: 6 (six) study awards for deserving female students who in the academic year 2025/2026 are enrolled in the first year of the Bachelor's or Master's Degree programme in Engineering Physics at Ca' Foscari University of Venice;

DECLARES

Art. 1 – Number and amount of awards, motivation

The Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems (DSMN) at Ca' Foscari University of Venice, with funding from Generali Italia S.p.A.'s **Generali4Girls in STEM** programme, announces a call for the 2025/2026 academic year, awarding:

- Three (3) three-year study awards, each with a gross annual value of € 1,000.00 (for a total value of € 3,000.00 each), for female students enrolled in the first year of the Bachelor's degree programme in Physics Engineering [CTR8] at Ca' Foscari University of Venice in the 2025/2026 academic year.
- Three (3) two-year study awards, each with a gross annual value of € 1,000.00 (for a total value of € 2,000.00 each), for female students enrolled in the first year of the Master's degree programme in Engineering Physics [CMR13] at Ca' Foscari University of Venice in the 2025/2026 academic year.

The awards will be granted based on a merit score (a weighted average of exam grades, motivational letter, and interview), and are subject to meeting specific university career requirements.

The awards are part of Generali's **Generali4Girls in STEM** programme, which aims to encourage female students to enrol in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) degree programmes. Recent research shows that STEM programmes, both nationally and internationally, have significantly lower female enrolment rates than male enrolment rates. To increase the participation of women in STEM fields, particularly in technology and engineering, it is essential to address various factors, especially social and educational ones.

The goal of this call, funded by Generali, is to promote and support the most deserving female students who choose to enrol in the STEM Bachelor's and Master's Degree programmes in Engineering Physics at Ca' Foscari University of Venice. The Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems, which delivers these programmes, warmly welcomes Generali's initiative, which aligns with the university's commitment to promoting STEM subjects to young female students through its LEI - Leadership, Energy, Entrepreneurship project (www.unive.it/lei).

Art. 2 – Application Requirements

1. The call for applications is open to female students who in the 2025/2026 academic year are enrolled in the first year of one of the following academic programmes:
 - Bachelor's Degree Programme in Engineering Physics [CTR8]
 - Master's Degree Programme in Engineering Physics [CMR13]
2. The application requirements vary depending on the academic programme where applicants are enrolled, as specified in Annexe A.



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3. Applicants must not hold another first or second-level degree obtained in Italy or abroad (for Italian degrees, earned before or after the 1999 University reform), a diploma issued by a Conservatory/Academy of Fine Arts, nor an Italian diploma issued under Ministerial Decree 508/1999.
4. The awards are not intended to fully cover living costs; therefore, they are compatible with other grants and awards allocated for the academic years 2025/2026, 2026/2027, and 2027/2028.

Art. 3 - Submission of applications

To participate in the selection, recipients described in Art. 2 above must:

1. Submit their application **using the online procedure** available at al link available in Annexe A **by 12:00 noon (Italian time) on 10/03/2026**.
2. Candidates must attach to the application, **in pdf format**
 - a) A copy of a valid identity document (front/back)
 - b) A motivational letter explaining why they chose their academic programme
 - c) *Curriculum vitae et studiorum* complete with date, and signed
 - d) If the candidate is enrolled in a Master's Degree Programme: A signed self-declaration that she holds a Bachelor's Degree, including a list of all exams taken, exam grades, and final grade
 - e) A signed self-certification of enrolment for the 2025/2026 academic year, including all exams taken and the corresponding grades

Please note that applications and attachments submitted in any other way will not be accepted.

3. By submitting the application, candidates agree to participate in the call and to the processing of their personal data, including transmission to Generali to facilitate the payment of the annual instalments.
4. Applications that are: a) received after the deadline; b) incomplete or incorrect; c) not submitted through the required online procedure; d) containing false declarations, will be automatically rejected.

Art. 4 – Admission to the interview

1. In each selection, as per Annexe A, the first six ranking candidates in the evaluation of qualifications (weighted average of exam grades and motivational letter) are admitted to the interview as per Art. 6. If more than one student obtains the same score as the sixth ranking candidate, they will all be admitted to the interview.



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2. The list of students admitted to the interview will be published on the relevant Degree programme's webpage (Home > Enrol > Generali4Girls in STEM Award) within 10 days after the application deadline, along with other interview details. Any delays in publishing the ranking will be announced on the same webpage.

Art. 5 – Assessment committee

1. The selection will be carried out by a Committee appointed specifically for this purpose by the Director of the Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems with a subsequent provision. The Committee will consist of faculty members from the Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems and one or more members from Generali.

Art. 6 – Interview

1. The Committee referred to in Art. 5 will conduct a motivational interview and discuss the candidate's *curriculum*. The interview will take place on the date, time, and location specified in the notice announcing the ranking (as outlined in Art. 4).

Art. 7 – Ranking

1. For each selection, the Committee described in Art. 5 will compile a ranking based on merit, following the criteria detailed in Annexe A:
 - Academic proficiency: The weighted average of grades and the number of credits (CFU-ECTS) earned by the end of the January-February exam session in the first semester.
 - Additional elements from the motivational letter and *curriculum*.
 - Motivational interview
2. The first candidates in order of ranking up to the number of awards will be declared winners, while all those who have passed the evaluation of qualifications and the interview will be eligible.
3. Within a few days after the interviews and the end of the selection procedure, the ranking will be published on the Degree programme's website (Home > Enrol > *Generali4Girls in STEM* awards) as specified in the notice announcing the calendar of the interviews (see Art. 4).

Art. 8 Appointment of the winners

1. The Director of the Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems approves the final ranking and designates the winners. **Winners must submit a declaration of acceptance of the award within 7 days of the publication of the results**; should they fail to do so, they will forfeit the award. The Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems reserves the right to verify submission details.
2. If one or more winners waive, even after the deadline specified in this article, the award shall be given to another eligible candidate(s) according to the ranking.
3. If winners fail to meet the conditions outlined in art. 9 for receiving the award, it will be awarded to other eligible candidates according to the ranking, provided they meet the conditions and declare their acceptance of the award.

Art. 9 – Payment of the award and how not to lose it

1. The award will be paid to the six winning candidates, or any female students taking over under art. 8 above who are enrolled in the Academic Programmes of Ca' Foscari University of Venice covered by this call for applications.
2. Payments will be issued by Generali for an annual gross amount of € 1,000.00. The award amount is taxed according to the fiscal regulations in force.
3. The award will be paid in annual instalments. Details are laid out in Annexe A.
4. To receive the instalments, students must have regularly paid all university fees and contributions required by the University for the relevant academic year.
5. If one or more winners withdraw due to other incompatible benefits, transfer to another university, interruption of studies, etc., they will lose the right to receive the current instalment and will not be required to reimburse any amounts already received.
6. The instalment that hasn't been assigned to the student initially selected as the winner can be given to another eligible candidate according to ranking, provided they meet the merit requirements.
7. If one or more winners do not earn the minimum number of ECTS/CFU to receive payment of one of the instalments, they will lose the right to receive it.
8. If one instalment is not paid because the winner did not meet the requisites, the sum will go to the first eligible candidate according to ranking, as long as they meet the merit requirements
9. If a scholarship is not awarded, it can become available to the student with the highest average grade in the academic year which is the object of the call.

Art. 10 Obligations

Generali is responsible for covering the costs of the study awards.

Art. 11 – Person in charge of the procedure

1. Under the provisions of Art. 5 of Law no. 241 of 07/08/1990, as amended, the person in charge of the procedure for this selection is the Department Executive Officer - Ms Sonia Barizza.
2. For further information, please contact the Secretary Office of the Departmental of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems (tel. + 39 041 234 8688 / 8907 - e-mail: didattica.dsmn@unive.it).

Art. 12 Trattamento dei dati personali

The data manager of the candidates' data is Ca' Foscari University of Venice, address Venice, Dorsoduro no. 3246, represented by the *pro tempore* Rector (protocollo@pec.unive.it). The University has a Data Protection Officer (DPO), who can be contacted by e-mail at dpo@unive.it.

The personal data collected will be processed, also by using computer tools, in compliance with the principles set out in Article 5 of EU Regulation 2016/679 (GDPR) exclusively within the scope of the procedure for the award of the scholarships referred to in this call for applications and other activities strictly related to it.

The data will be kept for the duration of this call for applications (a.y. 2025/2026) and the following two years. The legal basis for such processing is Article 6.1.e) ("performance of a task carried out in the public interest or the exercise of public authority").

Personal data will be processed by authorised personnel (in accordance with Article 29 of the GDPR) using both manual and computerised methods. Appropriate technical and organisational measures will be implemented to protect the data from unauthorised or unlawful access, destruction, and accidental breaches of integrity and confidentiality.

For the purposes mentioned above, in addition to specifically authorised university employees and collaborators, personal data may also be processed by members of the selection Committee and by entities performing outsourced activities on behalf of the Data Controller, in their capacity as Data Processors.

The personal data of the winning candidates will also be shared with Generali Italia S.p.A., the funding organisation for the awards, but only to the extent strictly necessary. Generali will process this data as an independent Data Controller, in accordance with the principles of Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR), and solely for the purposes of disbursing the award amount, reporting, and promoting the initiative.



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Agreeing to share one's data for the purposes indicated above (including communication to Generali Italia S.p.A.) is compulsory for participation in this call for applications. Refusal to provide such data will result in exclusion.

Data subjects, in their capacity as interested parties, have the right to be informed about their data, including its content and source; to request access, rectification, or deletion; to request limitations or to object to its processing; and to lodge a complaint with the Italian Data Protection Authority. To exercise these rights, please contact the University DPO at the above-mentioned email.

Art. 13 – Final provisions and information

This call for applications will be publicised on the Degree programmes' webpage (Home > Enrol > *Generali4Girls in STEM Awards*), on the Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems website (www.unive.it/dsmn) and other communication channels of the University, as well as on various communication channels selected by Generali.

Issues not covered by this call for application are subject to the legislation in force.

Mestre (Venice), 06/08/2025

Professor Maurizio Selva

Director, Department of Molecular Sciences and Nanosystems

Signed digitally, under art.24 of Legislative decree 82/2005 (CAD, Digital Administration Code) as amended and supplemented

ENDORSED BY: THE HEAD OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

THE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Ms Sonia Barizza