



Call for applications “Visiting for Ukraine”

GIVEN that the internationalization of the Italian University is considered by the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) a strategic objective to be pursued in line with the commitments undertaken in the context of the Bologna Process and with the guidelines of the European Commission;

HAVING REGARD to Law no. 69 of 18 June 2009 and in particular Article 32 on the fulfilment, as from 1 January 2010, of the obligations of legal publicity by publication on computer sites;

HAVING REGARD to Article 1 of the Statute of the University of Messina (UniME), issued by Presidential Decree no. 1244 of 14 May 2012, amended by Presidential Decree no. 3429 of 30.12.2014, published in the G.U. – General Series no. 8 of 12 January 2015;

HAVING REGARD to Article 5d of Law No 28 of 5 April 2022 on measures to support students, researchers and teachers of Ukrainian nationality who carry out study or research activities at universities, institutions of higher artistic, musical and choreutic training and research institutions, which provides that *“in order to promote support initiatives in favour of students of Ukrainian nationality enrolled, or members of the Erasmus programme, at universities, including non-state universities, legally recognised, admitted to the contribution referred to in Law No 243 of 29 July 1991, and institutions of higher artistic, musical and choral education, referred to in Article 1 of Law No 508 of 21 December 1999, as well as PhD students, researchers and professors of Ukrainian nationality who participate, for any reason, to the activities of the aforementioned universities and institutions of higher artistic, musical and choreutic training or of the research institutions supervised by the Ministry of University and Research, a special fund with a budget of 1 million euros for the year 2022 is established in the estimate of the Ministry of University and Research;*

CONSIDERING that this opportunity is addressed to persons enjoying the temporary protection regime as established by the Implementing Decision of the European Council of 4 March 2022 (EU 2022/382), in accordance with the Prime Ministerial Decree of 28 March 2022;

HAVING REGARD to the Regulations relating to the teaching and research activities of Visiting Professors and Researchers which govern, among other things, the procedures for the selection and permanence at the teaching and scientific facilities of UniME of professors, researchers and highly qualified experts belonging to non-Italian universities, research or higher education institutions who are called to carry out their teaching and/or research activities at UniME, issued with D.R. n. 1155 of 04/05/2020;

CONSIDERING that the ability to attract highly qualified professors, researchers and experts, belonging to non-Italian universities, research or higher education institutions called to carry out their teaching or research activities at UniME contributes to promoting the cultural and scientific development of the University in the international arena;

HAVING REGARD TO the resolutions of the Board of Directors and the Academic Senate of 2 May 2022, respectively, rep. 157/2022 (prot. n 54246 of 29/04/2022) and rep. 217/2022 (prot. n. 55514), with which, also in derogation from the Regulation on the teaching and research activities of *Visiting Professors* and *Researcher* adopted by the University, since these are urgent reception measures, the publication of a Call/Notice has been authorized for the assignment, in the current year, of n. 10 positions of *Visiting Professor* and/or *Visiting Researcher* of Ukrainian nationality, for a total amount of € 50,000, including charges c.e, providing for a minimum period of mobility thirty days;



HAVING REGARD to the University Budget, e.g. accounting 2022/23;
GIVEN that there is economic availability on CA. 04.41.10.11 project
VISITING_PROFESSOR_2022_23 and Project VISITING_RESEARCHER_2022_23;

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Art. 1 – Purposes and recipients

In accordance with art. 5 *quinquies* of the law of 5th April 2022, No.28, *Measures in support of students, researchers and professors from Ukraine who carry out study or research activities at universities, institutions of higher artistic, musical and choreutical education and research institutions*, the University of Messina intends to activate **support measures for Ukrainian researchers and professors**, so that they can carry out their activities of study, teaching and research as **Visiting Professor (VP) and Visiting Researcher (VR)**, **through the allocation of a special financial contribution, as specified in art. 2 of this Call.**

This opportunity is aimed at people holding the temporary protection regime as established by the European Council Implementing Decision of 4th March 2022 (EU 2022/382), in compliance with the DPCM of 28th March 2022.

As part of this Call, **researchers and university professors and scientists coming from Ukrainian Institutions** will be able to participate in an **evaluation and admission procedure based on chronological order of arrival of applications until all available funds have been allocated**, in order to spend a **minimum period of 30 consecutive** days at the University, in presence, to carry out teaching and/or research activities at a University Department.

Without prejudice to the deadline for the submission of applications referred to in this Call, the mobility period must begin within the period established by the Italian Government for the current state of humanitarian emergency, set on 31st December 2022, subject to any further extensions by the Government.

Art. 2 – Eligible contributions and disbursement procedures

The total budget available for this Call is **50.000,00 Euro** with which the University will proceed to the allocation of **No.10 contributions each equal to Euro 5.000,00** in favor of the VPs/VRs. Contributions are allocated through **the evaluation procedure referred to in art. 3, until the assignment of the 10 available positions is reached.**

- The contribution for the **VP** is divided as follows:
 - € 4.000,00 as remuneration, gross of tax charges;
 - € 1.000,00 as reimbursement of expenses at the bottom of the list (air ticket, food, accommodation).

The aforementioned compensations are payable, based on the funds allocated for this purpose by the Board of Directors and are subject to current tax, social security and welfare legislation.

The VP is given the right to request to receive the entire financial contribution, in accordance with the procedures provided below for VRs and, therefore, as reimbursement of expenses upon receipt of appropriate supporting documents (travel, food, accommodation).

- The contribution for **VRs** is granted as a reimbursement of expenses and will be a maximum of € 5,000.00.

The aforementioned compensation, based on the funds allocated for this purpose by the Board of Directors, is payable as reimbursement of expenses, upon receipt of appropriate



supporting documents of travel expenses, food and accommodation, in the manner set out in art. 7-9 of the Regulations for the missions of the teaching and technical-administrative staff (Last amendment: D.R. No. 1395 of 27th May 2014).

The disbursement of the contribution (both for the *VP* and for the *VR*) is provided for in several installments, as detailed below:

- Euro 950,00 to be paid as a deposit upon arrival of the *VP/VR*;
- the remaining amount in further installments.

Any requests for extension (both for the *VP* and for the *VR*), may be granted and financed subject to availability of funds and in compliance with current legislation.

Art. 3 Submission of applications

People holding the temporary protection regime as established by the European Council Implementing Decision of 4th March 2022 (EU 2022/382), in compliance with the Prime Ministerial Decree of 28th March 2022, can participate in this procedure.

The candidacy of Visiting Professors/Researchers is presented by completing, in all its parts, **Annex 1a**, which forms an integral part of this Call. The following documents, written in Italian or English language, must be attached to the application:

N	DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED TO THE APPLICATION
1	Study, research and/or didactic project to carry out at UniME drawn up by the applicant (using the format annex 2a)
2	A detailed CV together with a valid passport of the Visiting

Applications, complete with the aforementioned documents, **must** be sent to protocollo@unime.it, and **will be considered according to chronological order of arrival of applications starting from the date of publication of this Call and until 30th November 2022**, subject to exhaustion of available funds before the expected expiration date.

Applications that include false statements or, even partially, submitted after the deadline **will not be accepted**.

Priority will be given to applications from people who have not already been granted visiting positions in other universities.

Art. 4 - Evaluation of applications

The merit assessment of the applications will be carried out by a selection Committee specifically appointed by Rectoral Decree.

The Committee will evaluate the applications received in the manner and within the terms provided by Article 3 of this Call, taking into account the requirements established in the aforementioned article:

- a) curriculum vitae and scientific personality of the Visiting;
- b) study, research and/or didactic project and activities programme that the Visiting himself/herself will carry out at UniME.

The Committee will assign a scientific referee at the Hosting Department and will formulate a list for the assignment of the contribution at the evaluated applications, until all available funds are exhausted.

The list will be periodically updated and published at the link



<http://www.unime.it/it/international>.

The results of the evaluation, and the related assignment of the contribution, will be promptly notified to the respective beneficiaries by e-mail. Within 10 days from the notification, the beneficiary Visiting **must declare, even by e-mail, to accept the allocated funding**.

In order to start the scientific activities at the Hosting Department, the *VP/VR* must submit a copy of the declaration of presence issued by the Immigration Office of the Police Headquarters upon his/her arrival in Italy.

To the *Visiting* will be ensured adequate space and equipment to carry out the planned activities, access to the University's IT resources and libraries.

Upon arrival, the recipient/s of the funding must demonstrate to have appropriate health insurance coverage (valid in Italy for the entire period of stay) and for accidents, if not provided by his/her home institution.

Visitings are covered by the University insurance policy for third party Civil Liability, also for Personal Liability.

Art. 5 – Final Report

At the end of the stay at UNIME, the Visiting must submit to the Director of the Department a final report that exhaustively illustrates the performed activity and the enrichment provided by it to the didactic, and the contribution given to the development of UNIME scientific research, using the specific form **annex 3a**. The Department will have to send this documentation to the International Cooperation and Didactics Op. U. of the Department of Scientific Research and Internationalization, to the Department of Organization and Management of Human Resources and to the Department of Organization and Management of Financial Resources.

Art. 6 – – Information pursuant to Legislative Decree No.101/2018

In accordance with the provisions of art. 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 "General Regulation on the protection of personal data" (GDPR), the University will process personal data within its institutional purposes, exclusively for the purposes of this selection procedure.

It is allowed the processing of data provided for the performance of tasks of public interest, as well as to comply with any measures issued by the judicial authority, or by other Bodies and/or Administrative Authorities.

The Data Controller is the University of Messina, Piazza S. Pugliatti No.1, 98122 Messina, e-mail: protocollo@pec.unime.it.

The processing of personal data will be carried out by means of paper and/or computerized exclusively by personnel authorized to the processing of data in relation to the tasks and duties assigned and in compliance with the principles of lawfulness, fairness, transparency, adequacy, relevance and necessity.

The data may be disclosed to any other Bodies whose involvement is necessary as required by current legislation.

The data will be kept for the period necessary to carry out the procedure and to fulfill all legal obligations.

At any time, the rights referred to in art. 15 and ss. of GDPR and, in particular, access to own personal data, rectification, integration, cancellation, limitation and the right to oppose the processing may be exercised towards the Holder. Without prejudice to the right to lodge a complaint with the Guarantor for the protection of personal data pursuant to art. 77 of the GDPR.



The information is available in the privacy section of the University, <https://www.unime.it/it/ateneo/privacy>, and it is an integral part of this call. By signing the application form, the candidate acknowledges having read the aforementioned information.

Art. 7 – Responsible for the procedure

The person in charge of the procedure, pursuant to law 241/90 and subsequent amendments and integrations, is Dr. Simona Fazio, Head of the Op. Unit of International Cooperation (simona.fazio@unime.it tel. 090-6768613).

For information related to this Call it is possible to write to visiting@unime.it.

Art. 8 – Final rules

Although not expressly specified in this call, reference is made to the current legislation on the subject, to the Regulations relating to the teaching and research activities of Visiting Professors and Researchers, D.R. n. 1155 of 04 May 2020 ([link](#)), to Presidential Decree No.62/2013 containing the "Regulations containing the Code of Conduct for public employees and the" Code of Conduct adopted by the University "as well as the provisions contained in the "Code of Ethics" published at the link: <https://www.unime.it/it/ateneo/amministrazione/normativa/codice-di-comportamento-dei-public-employees-and-the-Regulations-for-the-missions-of-the-teaching-and-technical-administrative-staff> (Last modification: D.R.n.1395 of 27 May 2014).

This Call is published on the Official University Register at the link <https://www.unime.it/it/ateneo/amministrazione/albo-online>. All the information and the forms related to this Call will be published on the UniME website at the link <http://www.unime.it/it/international>.

The presentation of the application for participation in the selection implies the acceptance of the rules contained in this call and in the aforementioned regulations by the candidate. Participation in the procedure implies, as previously acquired, consent to the release of the documents presented, in the event of a request by the other competitors, pursuant to the legislation on access to documents.

The Rector
Professor Salvatore Cuzzocrea