



UNIVERSITY
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School of International Studies



Call for Expressions of Interest Marie Skłodowska Curie Individual Fellowship

The School of International Studies (SIS - www.ssi.unitn.it) at the University of Trento (Italy) welcomes expressions of interest from excellent postdoctoral researchers to apply, jointly with a research supervisor from SIS, to the European Commission Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship Scheme.

Selected candidates will be offered both academic and administrative support from SIS faculty and the University Research Office with regards to proposal development.

The Marie Skłodowska Curie Action Funding Scheme

The Marie Skłodowska Curie Action is a funding scheme that supports researcher mobility: Individual Fellowships may last 12-24 months involving a research project, advanced training and knowledge exchange at the host institution (SIS). It offers a competitive salary, research costs, mobility and family allowances.

Applicants are expected to have an excellent CV and a strong publication record. They must hold a PhD (or have four years full time research experience) and must not have spent more than 12 months in Italy in the 36 months prior to the call deadline. No nationality requirements apply.

Full details on the funding scheme and the application process can be found [here](#). The final deadline for applications is **14 September 2017**.

The School of International Studies

The School of International Studies (SIS) was established in 2001 at the University of Trento as an advanced institute of interdisciplinary studies and has quickly become a leading reference point both in Italy and beyond for graduate teaching and research in international studies. The 20 faculty members bring together expertise from disciplines such as economics, law, politics, sociology, and history. SIS offers two Master's degrees (European and International Studies; International Security Studies) and a Ph.D programme in International Studies.

Research Areas

The School builds on the diverse disciplinary background of its faculty to develop a wide portfolio of multidisciplinary research programs that address the challenges associated with the processes

of globalization and European integration. The complexity of modern societies implies that no single disciplinary approach is sufficient to understand the rapid social, political, economic and institutional changes currently occurring both in Europe and worldwide.

Research activities at SIS revolve around three main broad topics:

1. the social, political, institutional and economic implications of a globally interconnected world
 - the behavior of firms in international markets
 - the emergence of China as a new global actor
 - the relationship between international trade, natural resources and food security
2. international politics and security
 - cyber-security, counter-terrorism, and data protection issues
 - non-proliferation of nuclear weapons
 - the relationship between military doctrines and military technology
 - the changing role of international institutions, state and non-state actors in conflict situations
 - development, the ecology and population as security issues
3. Europe between integration and disintegration
 - the rising support for populist parties, its socio-economic determinants and its effects
 - the protection of minority rights across Europe
 - EU economics policy and its legitimacy
 - EU economic relationship with contested territories
 - cross border and interregional cooperation

Steps to Follow and Important Dates

- **by May 17th, 2017** express your interest by sending i) a 2-page summary of your research proposal; ii) a CV (max. 2 pages plus full list of publications); iii) a cover letter. Please submit your candidature to Ms. Silvia Tomaselli (silvia.tomaselli@unitn.it) and Ms. Rosaria Astarita (rosaria.astarita@unitn.it);
- selected applicants will be notified by the **end of May** and invited to prepare their full proposal in collaboration with a SIS supervisor;
- a complete draft of the application has to be prepared by **July 21st, 2017**
- the final version of the project **MUST** be ready by **August 31st, 2017** otherwise the SIS retains the right to withdraw its support to the proposal;
- the School of International Studies will offer a training session in **June** with the possibility to discuss the details of the proposal and meet the supervisor.