NOTICE OF COMPETITION

FOR ADMISSION TO THE PHD PROGRAMME

IN DIGITAL TRANSITION, INNOVATION AND HEALTH SERVICES

XXXVIII CYCLE - A.Y. 2022/2023

Start of registration: 12 July 2022 at 13:00 (Italian time)

Deadline: 20 August 2022 at 13:00 (Italian time)

Summary

ARTICLE 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Doctoral Course has a three-year duration, starting from 1 November 2022. Information on the number of places on offer, the number of scholarships, the criteria for the evaluation of any qualifications, and the procedures and dates for the admission tests are set out *in Annex – PhD Programme Outline*, which is an integral part of this notice.

2. The regulation of the cases and procedures of this Call for Positions is contained in the University Regulation on the Research Doctorate issued by R.D. 27 of 27/05/2022, available at: www.unidav.it/dottorato.

3. The number of scholarships may be increased as a result of further funding from outside the university administration, which will be announced by means of a specific notice on the University website (https://www.unidav.it) and on the doctorate web page (www.unidav.it/dottorato/).

4. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 epidemiological emergency, the selection procedures and activities of the PhD courses may be carried out in a blended mode, in presence and at distance. The modalities of the activities will be communicated by the Leonardo da Vinci Online University at the start of the courses.

ARTICLE 2 - ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Participation in the selection process is open, without age or nationality restrictions, to candidates who, on the expiry date of the call for applications, are in possession of: a M.Sc. degree, a similar academic qualification obtained abroad, recognised as equivalent to the above-mentioned academic

qualifications, for the sole purpose of participation in the competition for admission to the PhD programme; a second-level academic qualification issued by institutions belonging to the AFAM sector.

2. The suitability of the foreign qualification is ascertained by the Selection Committee, in compliance with the relevant legislation in force in Italy and in the country in which the qualification was awarded, as well as with international treaties or agreements on the recognition of qualifications for the pursuit of studies.

3. Graduating students may also apply for admission, on condition they obtain their M.Sc. degree by 31 October 2022. In this case they will be admitted "with reserve". Successful candidates will subsequently be required to promptly certify their qualification, under penalty of forfeiture.

4. All candidates in possession of an academic qualification obtained at an Italian university, whether they are EU or non-EU citizens, are required to self-certify the qualification possessed and are admitted to the selection subject to verification of the self-certified declarations.

5. PhDs are not eligible for positions with scholarship.

6. At any stage of the procedure or even after the start of the doctoral course, the Administration will carry out checks on the truthfulness of the statements produced. In the event of false and/or mendacious declarations, the Administration may at any time for motivated reasons exclude candidates from the selection procedure or from the doctoral course.

ARTICLE 3 - APPLICATION

1. In the application form, candidates must indicate whether they are employees of the Chieti-Lanciano-Vasto ASL and are competing for the positions in agreement with the same ASL. Applicants who are not employees of the above-mentioned ASL may not apply for those positions.

2. Candidates who also wish to apply for the position with a bonded theme ('Cybersecurity & IoT: Development and Transition') co-funded by Digital Platforms S.p.A. must specifically state this in their application, and submit a project consistent with the above-mentioned bonded theme.

3. Application for the selection procedure can be made from 12 July 2022 at 13:00 (local time) to 20 August 2022 at 13:00 (local time).

4. Participation in the admission tests is submitted to the acceptance of the following terms and procedure (failure to comply will result in exclusion from the competition):

   a) the candidate should log on to the appropriate service at www.unidav.it/dottorato;

   b) register under REGISTRATION in the reserved area, by entering his/her personal email and password

   c) authentication (login) in the RESERVED AREA section using the access keys (email and password) issued during the registration process;

   d) follow the platform's indications:

   - accept the privacy policy and that relating the knowledge of the notice, the outline and the other rules governing the competition

- fill in the personal data sheet;

- select the type of doctoral position chosen;

- upload files of the CV, the Research Project and other required and/or optional documents;

- attach a copy of a valid identity document.

5. The candidate may interrupt the procedure at any time by clicking the SAVE button and then exit, and re-enter the procedure using the same authentication methods as above.

6. The application is considered successful only when, at the end of the procedure, the candidate receives a confirmation e-mail at the e-mail address indicated during registration.

7. Once the online application has been completed, the final receipt confirming registration for the selection must be printed, duly signed and handed in at the examination.

8. It is the candidates' responsibility to verify that the procedure has been correctly completed. To this end, in the application phase, the utmost precision is required in entering personal data such as first name, surname, fiscal code, date and place of birth and personal e-mail address where to receive communications from the University. It is the candidate's responsibility to check, at any stage of the procedure, the receipt of any communications by University.

9. Attached documents to the application must be submitted in pdf format. The attachment sizemust not exceed 5 megabytes (MB) each.

10. There is no admission fee for the selection.

11. Complaints for any malfunctioning of the computer system due to overloading encountered by applicants close to the deadline, nor for the loss of communications resulting from inaccurate information on the applicant's e-mail address. will not be accepted Incomplete applications or missing of the mandatory annexes will be not considered for the selection. No integration of documents will be allowed after the closing deadline.

ARTICLE 4 - COMPARATIVE SELECTION PROCEDURE

1. The comparative procedure for admission to the PhD courses consists of an assessment of the qualifications, an evaluation of the research project and an interview. Those candidates applying for the position with bonded co-funded by Digital Platforms S.p.A, will be requested to undergo to an additional interview a for in depth evalution of the research project for the bonded theme. To this goal, the Selection Committee is integrated by the Member of the Board of Lecturers of PhD Programme indicated by Digital Platforms S.p.A.

2. Candidates admitted to the comparative evaluation will also be notified by e-mail.

3. Interviews are scheduled on 22 September 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Palazzetto dei Veneziani in Chieti. Further information will be published on the PhD page, https://www.unidav.it/dottorato.

4. In order to attend the interview, candidates must present the printed and signed application form obtained at the end of the online registration process and a valid ID document. Should the admission tests be held remotely, it will be the responsibility of the President of the Selection Committee to contact the candidates, at the e-mail address indicated by the candidate in the application form.

5. Failure to attend the interview, for whatever reason, results in exclusion from the competition.

6. Students with a disability or with SLD who seek assistance for the admission test must indicate the type of disability when applying to the selection. The interviews are organised by the University, taking into account the individual needs of candidates with a civil disability equal to or greater than 66% and/or disabilities and/or Specific Learning Disorders (DSA) in accordance, respectively, with Laws no. 118/1971, no. 104/1992 and no. 170/2010 and subsequent amendments and additions. The request for the aids deemed necessary must be formulated and peremptorily transmitted by email to: dottorato@unidav.it, at least 15 (fifteen) days before the date of the interview.

ARTICLE 5 -SELECTION COMMITTEE

1. The Evaluation Commission for admission to the PhD programme is appointedby the Rector, in application of the University's PhD Regulations.

2. With the same decree, the Rector appoints the Member of the Board of Lecturers of PhD Programme indicated by Digital Platforms S.p.A. who will integrate the Committee in the supplementary interviews for the selection of the candidates for the bonded research position. assignment of the restricted subject scholarship co-funded by the same company

3. The Commission has one hundred (100) points for the evaluation of each candidate, of which 40 for the qualifications, 20 for the research project and 40 (of which 10 for the evaluation of the English language test) for the interview. The candidate is considered suitable if he/she obtains an overall mark of at least 60/100.

4. The Commission, if necessary, may request the Rector, for specific cases, to integrate the Commission itself with members of the Board of Lecturers belonging to scientific disciplines that are not among the members of the Commission.

5. At the preliminary meeting, before receiving the applications and proceeding to their examination, the Commission specifies the criteria that will be used to award marks in the evaluation of the candidates' qualifications, project and interviews. For the determination of the assessment criteria for the supplementary test relating to the bonded research position, the Member of the Board referred to in paragraph 2 above shall participate in the work of the Commission.

6. Exclusively for the supplementary test relating to the bonded research position, the Commission, supplemented as provided for in paragraph 2 above, has a maximum of 40 points in addition to the general mark. Candidates scoring less than 60/100 in the general test may not be admitted to the supplementary test.

ARTICLE 6 - RANKING AND FILLING OF PHD POSTS

1. Once the competition tests have been completed, the Selection Committee draws up a final report, indicating the evaluation criteria used, the marks awarded to each candidate and the merit rankings, a general one, drawn up on the basis of the sum of the marks obtained by each candidate in the individual tests, and a special one, relating to the candidates who also took part in the supplementary test for the subject-based scholarship.

2. In the event of a tie, the youngest candidate prevails, pursuant to Article 2, paragraph 9 of Law no. 191 of 16.06.1998.

3. In the event of a further tie between two or more candidates, and for the sole purpose of awarding the scholarship, the economic situation, determined in accordance with the Prime Ministerial Decree of 9 April 2001, as amended, shall prevail.

4. The merit rankings will be made public after the regularity of the competition acts has been verified, by publication on the Doctorate's website and e-mail communication to the interested parties.

5. A candidate who is ranked first in the special list for the bonded research position and who is also in a useful position in the general list may not opt for the latter, from which he is removed, and is directly admitted to the doctoral programme in the compulsory subject test.

6. For the purposes of filling the available doctoral positions, the following steps are taken:

    a) by awarding the position with the bonded research position financed by Ministerial Decree no. 352 of 2022 to the first candidate in the relative special classification, who is at the same time removed from the general classification, while the others return to the general classification. If the special list has no candidates, the Commission may propose to the first of the candidates in the general list whose project is similar or in any case relevant to the restricted theme, to carry out the PhD with the restricted theme scholarship, subject to the consent of the member of the Board of Lecturers appointed by Digital Platforms SpA;

    b) filling the three industrial doctorate positions with the three candidates employed by the ASL with the highest position in the general list, at the same time deleting them from it;

    c) filling the six places with scholarships by drawing from the first six candidates in the remaining general ranking list, and allocating in order first the four scholarships financed by Ministerial Decree 351 of 2022, and then the two scholarships financed by the G. D'Annunzio University;

    d) by filling the position without a scholarship with the candidate ranked seventh in the overall ranking.

7. Acceptance of the position is finalised by the application for registration.

8. In the event that no application for registration is received, within seven days of notification of the winners, the rankings will be adjusted according to the sequence indicated in the previous paragraph.

9. In the event that the renouncer is the winner of a bonded research position, the latter shall be reallocated, according to the order of the special list, to the next eligible candidate in the same list, or, failing that, to the first of the remaining eligible candidates in the general list according to the provision of paragraph 2 letter a) above.

10. In the event that a winner renounces the grant, it will be awarded to the candidate referred to in paragraph 6 letter d).

11. In the absence of suitable candidates, the bonded research position are not assigned.

ARTICLE 7 - REGISTRATION

1. The publication of the merit rankings on the Doctorate's website constitutes official notification for all legal purposes. The administration will in no case send notification by e-mail to successful candidates for PhD positions. Candidates are responsible for checking the dates and observing the application procedures.

2. At the same time as the publication of the merit rankings, the telematic registration procedures will be open on a dedicated platform, through access to the portal https://unidav.esse3.cineca.it. The relative credentials will be communicated by e-mail to the winners of the selection.

3. Winners of the selection are required to proceed - under penalty of forfeiture - with their online registration application on the aforementioned platform no later than ten working days after the date of publication of the ranking list.

4. When starting the online enrolment procedure, the student must have the following documents ready, in the form of files with the specific titles as file names (e.g. Identity_Card.pdf, Fiscal Code, Photo, etc.):

   a) scanned copy in Pdf or Jpg format of the valid identification document complete with all sides (max 5 Mb);

   b) scanned copy in Pdf or Jpg format of the tax code or health card (max 5 Mb);

   c) passport photo in Jpg or Jpeg format (max. 5 Mb);

   d) for non-EU students only, a scanned copy in PDF or JPG format of the valid residence permit showing the reason for issuing it or, if the permit issuing procedure is in progress, a scanned copy in PDF or JPG format of the application submitted by the non-EU student.

5. All the above documents, to be attached online when required by the procedure, are necessary for the validity of the registration procedure.

6. The online enrolment procedure must be completed with the payment of the registration fee (€ 256.00 including the university fee, the regional tax and the stamp duty paid in virtual mode), according to the procedures that will be indicated on the platform.

7. Successful candidates who have not fulfilled the required enrolment in the proper form will be not hired. The following candidate in the list will take his/her position and informed by email. In this case, enrolment must be completed no later than ten days from the date of notification of the transfer.

8. Admission to the Course of candidates with a foreign qualification obtained in a non-EU country will be subject to verification of the qualification held on the basis of the "Declaration of Validity", issued by the Italian Diplomatic Representation in the country in which the qualification was obtained or, alternatively, on the basis of the Diploma Supplement, with an official translation if in a language other than Italian, English, French, German and Spanish. Applicants must attach a valid residence permit if already issued or a copy of the application to the competent authorities.

9. Scholarship recipients from foreign countries must enclose either certification of entitlement to the scholarship granted by the foreign country or a copy of the application submitted to the competent authorities for its award.

10. Pursuant to Law no. 33 of 12 April 2022, simultaneous enrolment in a doctorate course and a degree course, or master's degree course, or specialisation course is permitted. In the case of a place on a scholarship, the candidate, must renounce any other scholarship or grant for any reason, except for the case referred to in Article 9, paragraph 6 below (failure to comply will result in forfeiting the scholarship).

ARTICLE 8 - FEES

1. At the time of enrolment, doctoral students are required to pay € 256.00, of which: € 100.00 as university contribution, € 140.00 as regional tax for the right to studies, € 16.00 as stamp duty.

ARTICLE 9 - SCHOLARSHIPS

1. The annual amount of the scholarship, redetermined pursuant to Ministerial Decree no. 247 of 23.02.2022 is € 16,243.00 gross of social security charges payable by the recipient.

2. The scholarship is subject to the payment of INPS social security contributions in «*gestione separata*» in accordance with current legislation, two thirds being paid by the University and one third by the scholarship holder.

3. The personal income limit for receiving the scholarship is €16,000.00 per year gross. The cases of total or partial incompatibility for the use of the scholarship are established by the regulations in force. In particular, pursuant to Law 398/89 art. 6, paragraph 2, "anyone who has already received a grant may not receive it a second time for the same reason". In the event of incompatibility, the grant instalments received in the year in question must be returned.

4. The duration of the scholarship is equal to the entire duration of the course. Scholarships are paid monthly in arrears (no earlier than the 25th day of the month).

5. The award of the doctoral scholarship is confirmed annually on condition that the doctoral student has completed the programme of activities planned for the year in question, as verified by the Board of Lecturers.

6. Scholarships may not be combined with other scholarships for any reason whatsoever, except those awarded by national or foreign scientific institutions for activities related to study/research periods abroad.

7. Failure to finalise agreements with external bodies for the financing or co-financing of scholarships or for the activation of industrial doctorates will result in a corresponding reduction in the total number of places, releasing UNIDAV from any financial or legal burden.

ARTICLE 10 - RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF DOCTORAL STUDENTS

1. Those enrolled on doctoral courses are obliged to attend courses and to carry out study and research activities on a continuous basis within the structures set up for this purpose, without prejudice to the possibility of specific discipline in relation to what is envisaged for employees of affiliated companies (industrial doctorate).

2. During the course the doctoral student may be authorised by the College, for research-related needs, to travel abroad. Additional mobility allowances may be paid by UNIDAV or third parties for stays abroad.

3. PhD students who have been awarded scholarships pursuant to Ministerial Decrees 351 and 352/2022 must undertake at the time of enrolment to:

a) produce a report every six months, in accordance with the instructions of the Board of Lecturers, indicating the time commitment (broken down into months in the company, at headquarters and abroad) and a summary of the main activities carried out;

b) carry out the required mandatory study and research periods abroad and, as the case may be, in the enterprise. Failure to comply with the minimum period in enterprise and abroad will result in revocation of the scholarship;

c) Ensure compliance with the communication and information obligations provided for in Article 34 of Regulation (EU) 2021/241, by indicating in all documentation that the Programme is funded by the European Union and the NextGenerationEU initiative, by displaying the European Union emblem in the documentation and provide adequate dissemination and promotion of the Programme;

d) comply with the principle of not causing significant damage to environmental objectives, pursuant to Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852.

4. Acceptance of the NextGenerationEU initiative grants financed through Ministerial Decree No. 351 of 2022 entails the obligation to spend a minimum of six (6) months studying and researching abroad.

5. Acceptance of the grant financed by Ministerial Decree No. 352 of 2022 also entails the obligation to spend a 12-month period of study and research at the co-financing partner Digital Platforms S.p.A.

6. Doctoral students may carry out tutoring activities. They may also carry out subsidiary or supplementary teaching up to a maximum of forty hours per academic year. This activity must be authorised by the Board of Lecturers, which establishes the procedures.

7. In the event of inadequate results in the *ongoing* assessment, unjustified and prolonged absenteeism or prolonged unavailability, or if a doctoral student engages in conduct that is not compatible with the ethics of research and with the rules of good behaviour prescribed by the organisational structure in which the doctoral programme is based, the Board of Lecturerers may, by means of a reasoned decision, terminate the doctoral student's membership of the course.

8. The Doctorate may be suspended in the event of maternity, paternity and illness, adoption and fostering, fixed-term/indefinite-term employment with the public administration during the probationary period, teacher training, military/civilian service, as well as for a period of study or work that is not incompatible with a subsequent resumption of the doctoral course, subject to authorisation by the College and in any case for a maximum of 6 months. During periods of suspension no scholarship is paid.

9. Civil servants admitted to the PhD courses shall be granted, for the normal duration of the course, the leave of absence provided for by collective bargaining agreements or, for civil servants under public law, an extraordinary leave of absence for study purposes, compatibly with the needs of the Administration, pursuant to art. 2 of Law no. 476 of 13.8.84 and subsequent amendments, unless explicitly waived, only if they are enrolled for the first time in a PhD course.

10. A doctoral student who is not up to date with the payment of fees and contributions may not carry out any course-related activities or be admitted to sit for the final examination.

11. Concurrent enrolment in a bachelor or master's degree course and a master's, PhD or specialisation course is permitted. In the case of simultaneous enrolment in a PhD or Master's degree course and in a medical specialisation course, the regulations set out in Article 15, paragraph 5 of the PhD regulation

apply. Doctoral students on scholarships may not simultaneously benefit from scholarships or funding linked to enrolment in the second course, and must therefore renounce them, on penalty of forfeiting their doctoral scholarship.

12. For the regulation of any further matters relating to the subjective legal positions of doctoral students, reference is made to the University's Regulation on Doctoral Programmes, in particular art. 15 et seq.

ARTICLE 11 - PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

1. The University, in accordance with EU Regulation 2016/679, undertakes to use the personal data provided by the candidate exclusively for the performance of the competition procedures and for institutional purposes.

2. Participation in the competition entails the expression of consent for the candidates' personal data and those relating to the competition tests to be published on the University website and processed exclusively for the purposes of this competition. The University's information notice is published online at the following address: www.unidav.it/dottorato.

ARTICLE 12 - FINAL PROVISIONS AND REFERENCE STANDARDS

1. For any matters not provided for in this notice, please refer to the University's Research Doctorate Regulations, issued by R.D. no. 27 /2022 and the relevant regulations in force.

2. The person in charge of the procedure is Dr Lucia Valente, email address rup.dottorato@unidav.it.

3. Further information can be requested at the following telephone number: +39 0871 361658, or email: dottorato@unidav.it.

PhD PROGRAMME OUTLINE

(Annex 1 al "*Bando di concorso per l'ammissione al Dottorato di Ricerca XXXVIII Ciclo – A.A. 2022/2023, in Digital Transition, Innovation and Health Services*")

PhD Course	Digital Transition, Innovation and Health Service
Coordinator	Prof. Arcangelo MERLA email: dottorato@unidav.it
Duration	3 years - Starting date: November 1st, 2022
Disciplines	SH1_3 Development economics, health economics, education economics SH1_10 Management; marketing; organizational behavior; operations management SH1_10 Management; marketing; organizational behavior; operations management SH3_9 Health, aging and society SH3_13 Digital social research SH3_14 Science and technology studies PE1_21 Applied Mathematics for industry and society PE6_5 Cryptology, security, protection of personal data (privacy), quantum cryptology PE6_6 Algorithms, distributed / parallel algorithms, network algorithms, algorithmic game theory PE6_6 Algorithms, distributed / parallel algorithms, network algorithms, algorithmic game theory PE6_7 Artificial intelligence, intelligent systems, multi-agent systems

	PE6_10 Web and information systems, database systems, information retrieval and digital libraries, data fusion
	PE6_11 Machine learning, data processing with statistical and application methods that use signal processing (eg, speech, images, video)
	PE7_11 Components and systems for applications (eg: in medicine, biology, environment)
	PE8_13 Industrial bioengineering
	LS2_12 Bioinformatics
	LS2_13 Computational biology
	LS2_14 Biostatistics
	LS7_10 Health services, health care research, medical ethics
PhD Programme description	The PhD course in Digital Transition, Innovation and Health Service, thanks to a highly interdisciplinary vocation, through a methodological approach oriented towards scientific rigor and application transposition, will provide students with the fundamental tools of knowledge and skills, both specific and transversal, which are necessary to elaborate original research questions and formulate hypotheses and applicative projects in the context of the digital transition applied to innovative health services.
	The Doctoral Course is activated by means of a specific agreement between the Leonardo da Vinci Telematic University and the G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara, by virtue of which it benefits from research and educational services and infrastructures provided by the G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara.
	The Doctoral Course also includes an industrial-type scholarship in collaboration with Digital Platforms Group and three positions (without scholarship) reserved for employees of the Local Health Authority n.2 LANCIANO-VASTO-CHIETI.
	Specifically, the application projects will focus on issues related to the creation, organization and management of processes and services related to the digital transition and digital innovation for advanced health services, in terms of health, telemedicine and tele-assistance, personalized medicine, continuity, digital twin health and computerization of the health record. The PhD course will also deal with communication in medicine and public health in the age of digitalization.
	The PhD course in Digital Transition, Innovation and Health Service aims to train experienced researchers and professionals of digital transition and innovation, capable of influencing, both programmatically and concretely, on policies and on the implementation of programs and processes, related to the digital transition, both in the public and in the private sector.

	The aim of the course is to provide PhD students with an overview of the issue of digital transition, on the one hand, and, on the other, a particular view on specific areas of research and application of interest to the student.
	At the end of the PhD program, the student will have the skills and knowledge, multidisciplinary and transversal, to participate consciously, direct, govern, implement the research processes of interest in the sector.
	The course aims to foster and stimulate the student's research and proposition capacity, aimed at identifying new lines of research or application, demonstrating their practicability, and evaluating their impact, both on a technical level and on that of socio-sustainability. economic and environmental, from the point of view of the "do no Significant Harm" (DNSH) principle. There is an obligation for doctoral students to complete training periods in training and research institutions of international importance abroad in accordance with the regulations in force.
Available positions	**n.11 positions** of which:
	n. 6 positions with scholarship (4 funded by NextGener for the Online University Leonardo da Vinci; 2 funded by the Università degli Studi G. d'Annunzio di Chieti-Pescara)
	n. 1 position with scholarship funded by the **DM 352,** on the topic: "Cybersecurity and IoT : Development and Transitions".
	n. 3 positions reserved to employees (maintaining their salary) of the Azienda Sanitaria Locale n.2 LANCIANO-VASTO-CHIETI involved in high qualification activities pertaining the Ph.D. programme
	n. 1 position without scholarship
	In the application form, candidates must indicate whether they intend to compete for positions with a scholarship, the position on a restricted topic funded by Ministerial Decree 352, or for the doctoral positions reserved for ASL employees.
Admission requirements	See art. 2 Ph.D. Call 38th cycle - Academic Year 2022/2023.
Language/s	Knowledge of English language is required
Documentation in PDF format to be attached on line	1. CV (European format), limited to academic and / or scientific and / or professional qualifications consistent with the themes of the doctorate (max 10,000 characters);

	2. diploma supplement or self-certification of the exam marks taken during the course of study, as well as graduation marks;
	3. research project (max 10,000 characters).
	4. Any other relevant qualifications (scientific publications, awards, or other)
Selection procedures and criteria	FOR QUALIFICATION AND INTERVIEW. The selection will be made through: - evaluation of curriculum and qualifications (40/100 points) - evaluation of the research project (points 20/100); - oral exam (40/100 points). **The minimum score to be eligible for the positions is 60/100.** Candidates who applied for the position with the restricted theme scholarship, will take, if eligible in the general ranking, an extra oral test (max 40/100 points). The interview consists of (a) the discussion of the degree thesis; (b) in the discussion of the research project; (c) in the assessment of knowledge of the English language (conducted by submitting a piece drawn from an adequate number of pieces prepared by the Commission); (d) in the discussion of the related topic (supplementary test, if the position with the restricted theme scholarship has been chosen by the candidate). Candidates residing abroad who request to sit the oral exam remotely are contacted by email by the Commission to define the date and time of the interview.
Exam Date	The oral exam takes place on 22 September 2022, 09:00 at the "Palazzetto dei Veneziani", Chieti, (CH) (classroom to be defined). Indications will be available on the Doctoral website (www.unidav.it/dottorato). In the case of students residing abroad, the test can be taken electronically. If it is not possible to carry out the exam in person due to the Covid-19 emergency, the test will take place electronically on a platform that will be indicated later.