

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC SELECTION FOR N° 2 GRANT FOR RESEARCH**  
**(Italian law 30 December 2010, n.240, art.22)**

**Description**

The Scuola Normale Superiore announces a selection, based on work to date and interview, for **n.2 research contracts** named “*The contentious politics of climate change*” as part of the research project “*The politics and policy of climate change*”, within the programme PRO3 2021-23.

The research fellows will analyse selected cases of political conflicts over climate change, looking at both institutional actors and civil society actors. The project will analyse the ways in which climate change is conceptualised in public debates, perceived by public opinion, and framed by political and social actors. It will look at how these definitions interact and change the classic structures of democracy and the political sphere, as well as political communication. A key aspect is the interaction of politics with scientific and anti-scientific discourses, also in comparison with the experience of the covid-19 pandemic. The project also investigates the redefinition of environmental activism on the issue of climate change. Drawing on the large body of research on the features of environmentalist movements, it will focus on the roles and strategies of movements such as Fridays for Future and Extinction Rebellion, but also at initiatives in solidarity economy, analysing the ways (e.g. via ‘insider’ or ‘outsider’ routes) in which these grassroots social movement networks contribute to a cultural and discursive shift in how environmental governance is framed in Europe. The ways social movements give voice to constituencies not represented by parliamentary politics (youth, rest of the world, non-humans) is of particular relevance. Looking at the potential for coalition building, the project will pay particular attention at the different crucial roles labour movements can play in supporting, blocking or modifying environmental policies, by looking at critical cases of mobilization around and against restructuring in industries such as plastic, automotive and steel. Tensions among forms of commitments, as well as with emerging anti-environmentalist movements, will be investigated to detect emerging cleavages and possible complementarities. The research will be based on the in-depth investigations of contentious episodes related with climate change.

Estimated duration of each contract: 15 months (estimated starting in early October 2022 and mandatory ending date of the contract not later than 31 December 2023)

Annual gross remuneration for each contract, inclusive of all taxes: € 24,000

Application deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022.

Information about the selection procedure can be found below. Candidates are invited to read the official announcement (*Bando*) and to follow exclusively its detailed instructions should they decide to apply.

**Requisites**

Applications are invited from candidates who meet the following requisites, which are both mandatory:

- a) to have completed a Master’s degree in Political Sciences or Sociology (in accordance with earlier Italian university regulations, or a second-cycle undergraduate degree as per the interdepartmental decree of 9 July 2009). Candidates who have completed the aforementioned degrees abroad may also apply, if said degrees are recognized as equivalent to Italian degrees;
- b) to have carried out at least 3 years of post-graduation research activity in the above-mentioned scientific fields.

Knowledge of English language is also required to carry out the research activity.

Additional competence and/or experience relevant to the choice of the researcher: PhD in Political Sciences or Sociology.

## **How to apply**

Candidates with all the aforementioned requisites who wish to participate in the selection process must submit:

- a) the application, based on the attached model (**Att. A - Application form**), written on paper with original signature under penalty of exclusion (unless the candidates choose to send the application form using a PEC e-mail address);
- b) the photocopy (non-authenticated) of a valid identification document;
- c) a signed and up-dated curriculum vitae containing a detailed description of the educational career and professional experience;
- d) the publications, including also the PhD thesis, and any other document that the candidate believes may be useful to the evaluation of her/his application (it is mandatory to attach the publications that the candidate intends to submit to the evaluation of the Committee). The publications must be provided exclusively on a digital storage device (cd, USB flash drive etc.), in pdf format. For those unpublished texts accepted for publication, the candidate must include the relative document in its final form and the publisher's certificate or a detailed substitute statement of affidavit confirming that the relative text has been accepted for publication (please use attachment B);
- e) a signed list of the submitted publications.

If the application is presented directly to the "Ufficio Protocollo" [Documents Registry Office] of the Scuola Normale or sent by registered mail or courier, the digital storage device must contain also a scanned copy of the application, the curriculum vitae and the list of publications.

In order to submit the application and documentation listed above, candidates must use one of these options:

- a) candidates can present the application form and documentation directly, during office hours (for information on opening hours please contact [protocollo@sns.it](mailto:protocollo@sns.it)), to the "Servizio Archivio, Protocollo e Posta" [Documents Registry Office] of the Scuola Normale, located at Via del Castelletto, n. 11, 56126 Pisa (Italy);
- b) candidates can send the application form and documentation by registered mail with acknowledgment of receipt or courier to the following address: Ufficio Protocollo della Scuola Normale Superiore, Via del Castelletto n. 11, 56126 Pisa (Italy). In this case, it is recommendable to write on the envelope "*Application to research grant The contentious politics of climate change*";
- c) candidates can send the application form using the electronic mail only if they possess a personal certified electronic mail address (the Italian PEC - Posta Elettronica Certificata). In this case, they should send the application form to the address [protocollo@pec.sns.it](mailto:protocollo@pec.sns.it).

If applicants send their application via PEC - Posta Elettronica Certificata, the presentation of documents and publications on paper, CD or USB flash drive is not requested.

Any candidature sent from a simple electronic mail address, different from the one described above, will not be accepted.

No other delivery method will be accepted.

## **Interview**

The Committee can decide to conduct face-to-face interviews or remote interviews with the admitted candidates. In this second case, the Committee will indicate also the video conferencing software platforms to be used (for instance Skype or Google Meet).

Anyway, even if the Committee chooses to conduct face-to-face interviews, candidates in the following conditions can request a remote interview: applicants who live permanently outside Italy or are domiciled abroad for work/study or research, or who are unable to carry out an on-site interview for other different reasons.

Candidates in aforementioned conditions who wish to carry out the interview via video conference have to request it in the application form and they shall be equipped with the necessary and appropriate technical means for the online audio/video connection.

During the interview, applicants must show the identity card or passport that they had enclosed in copy with their application, otherwise they could not take part in it.

The wrong communication of the contact details, as well as the missed connection at the date and time communicated by the Administration and the missed presentation of the identity card or passport cause the loss of right to participate at the interview and consequentially at the selection.

The Scuola Normale is not responsible for any technical problems that may arise during the interview.

For further information or questions about the application procedure and the relative documentation, or about the selection process itself, candidates can write an email to [job.opportunities@sns.it](mailto:job.opportunities@sns.it)