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UNIVERSITY OF PRIMORSKA AND UNIVERSITY OF TRIESTE JOINT CALL FOR VISITING PROFESSORSHIP FROM RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS OUTSIDE THE T4EU ALLIANCE – 2nd TERM A.Y. 2024-2025 AND A.Y. 2025-2026

Deadline for submission of applications: 8th November 2024

The Transform4Europe European University has set itself the goal to educate and train knowledge-entrepreneurs as drivers of transformation for the benefit of sustainable and resilient European societies that can embrace and solve the most important civilisation challenges.

ARTICLE 1 – RECIPIENTS AND PURPOSES OF THE SCHEME

Within the framework of the European Project *Transform4europe: the European University for knowledge entrepreneurs – Working Package 8.3 – Milestone 36 – Visiting Professorship*, through this **Visiting Professorship Scheme the University of Primorska (SLO) and the University of Trieste (IT)** launch a joint international Call for the selection of full, associate, assistant and emeritus professors (or individuals with equivalent positions in foreign research Institutions) belonging to foreign Institutions located outside the T4EU Alliance.

During his/her visiting professorship, the recipient will deliver lectures within the Universities' bachelor's, master's, specialisation or doctoral degree courses.

This Call is addressed to the departments/faculties of both Universities interested in inviting scholars with a view to expanding the range of their educational activities within the department and with the aim of enhancing the Universities' international profile.

Under no circumstances will the Visiting Professor be in charge of a whole course.

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ARTICLE 2 – DURATION OF VISITING PROFESSORSHIP AND SCIENTIFIC FIELDS

- a. Visiting professorships may be taken up during the second semester of the academic year 2024–2025 or during the academic year 2025–2026 and must be concluded by **31st July 2026**.
- b. A visiting professorship can last from **20 days (10 days at each university) to 5 months (2.5 months at each university)**, depending on the programme. The time spent at each university is split equally (e.g. 1 month at UNITS and 1 month at UP).
- c. Visiting Professorship will be hosted by the corresponding Departments of the two Universities. These are:

| AREA | UNITS DEPARTMENT | UP FACULTY |
|---|---|--|
| ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT | DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC, BUSINESS, MATHEMATICAL AND STATISTICAL SCIENCES | UP FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT |
| INTERPRETING AND TRANSLATION | DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL, LANGUAGE, INTERPRETING AND TRANSLATION STUDIES | UP FACULTY OF HUMANITIES |
| HISTORY, HERITAGE AND PHILOSOPHY | DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES | UP FACULTY OF HUMANITIES |
| EDUCATION SCIENCES | DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES | UP FACULTY OF EDUCATION |
| ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND DATA SCIENCE | DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, INFORMATICS AND GEOSCIENCES | UP FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS, NATURAL SCIENCES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES |
| MATHEMATICS | DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, INFORMATICS AND GEOSCIENCES | UP FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS, NATURAL SCIENCES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES |
| BIOLOGY, BIOTECHNOLOGY, GENOMICS and NEUROSCIENCE | DEPARTMENT OF LIFE SCIENCES | UP FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS, NATURAL SCIENCES AND |

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| | | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES |
| PSYCHOLOGY | DEPARTMENT OF LIFE SCIENCES | UP FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS, NATURAL SCIENCES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES |
| | DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES | |
| HEALTH SCIENCES (dietetics, physiotherapy, nursing) | DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE, SURGERY AND HEALTH SCIENCES | UP FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES |

Visiting Professorship should primarily address the following aspects:

- Digital transformation and smart regions;
- Environmental transformation and sustainability;
- Societal transformation, community building and inclusion.

During their visiting period, professors are required to carry out their teaching and research activities in compliance with regulations and academic calendar both of the University of Primorska and the University of Trieste.

ARTICLE 3 – NUMBER OF FUNDED PROFESSORSHIPS AND FUNDING PRINCIPLES

- a. On the basis of the available budget, the committee will allocate the number of professorships to be funded. The exact number depends on the proposed visit time and home country of the visiting professor. The total available budget for this call is EUR 30,000. If some funds are left after the selection process is concluded, another open call will follow with the remaining funds.
- b. The funding will be split between the universities and follow national regulations of each country. For each Visiting professorship the University of Primorska will organise overseas travel, while the costs of stay (local travel, accommodation, daily allowance) will be provided by the hosting university:

University of Trieste

For each Visiting Professorship the selected department will receive funds for reimbursement totalling up to EUR 2,200 (up to EUR 1,000 for accommodation, EUR 36 (net) for a per-day and

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for local transport) for 30/31 days of activity or a proportional amount depending on the duration of the visit. Invoices will have to be provided.

University of Primorska

University of Primorska will reimburse incurred costs, which include accommodation, local transfers and per-diem (EUR 27.81 / day). Invoices will have to be provided.

ARTICLE 4 – VISITING PROFESSOR'S COMMITMENT

The Visiting Professor is required to carry out the following activities in English:

At the University of Trieste

- Lectures and/or educational activities listed in the academic calendar and held in the form of teaching or co-teaching of an existing course.
- Activities within courses for bachelor's, master's and single-cycle's degrees may be carried out without modifying the number of teaching hours assigned to the teacher in charge of the course for the relevant academic year.

Activities of a 10-day visit should be the following (while proportionally more activities are expected in cases of longer activities):

1. **4 hours of lectures** within one or more courses of type A or B or C (core subjects, advanced concepts and skills or complementary subjects) within a bachelor's, master's, single cycle's or doctoral degree. The lectures must be held during the second semester of the academic year 2024-2025 or during academic year 2025-2026 and must be concluded by 31st July 2026.

Lectures may be given within different courses, provided they:

- meet the above requirements,
- will be offered by the hosting Department,
- will be given by the same Visiting Professor.

2. **a dissemination seminar open to the entire academic community.**

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3. **a roundtable with PhD students** enrolled at the University of Trieste. The organisation of the roundtable must be agreed upon by the Visiting Professor and the coordinator(s) of the PhD programme(s) involved. In case of joint PhDs with other Italian Universities, the workshop will be held at the University of Trieste.

Teaching activities carried out by Visiting Professors within a bachelor's, master's or single-cycle's degree programmes (type 1) must take place within the academic calendar and will be regulated by the university relevant regulations, with particular reference to *Linee guida sulla definizione dell'offerta didattica programmata ed erogata (Guidelines on the definition of the planned and delivered educational offer)*, approved by the Academic Senate in the session held on 16 July 2024, with the provision that they must in any case be conducted in person.

4. **research activity**

At the University of Primorska:

- Lectures and/or educational activities in the form of teaching or co-teaching of an existing course – Specific course work is defined in collaboration with the hosting department,
- Research activities,
- other relevant activities.

ARTICLE 5 – INSURANCE

Visiting professors arriving from a Member State of the European Union have health insurance coverage through the EHIC (European Insurance and Health Card) scheme.

Further coverage

For the University of Trieste

Before the arrival of the Visiting Professor, the host department shall verify the mandatory insurance requirements provided for by the current legislation and any additional requirements related to scheduled activities (e.g. access to laboratories, use of equipment, etc.). The department will do so with the help of the administration office in charge of insurance.

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Visiting professor should arrange health and travel assurance before arrival. For more info please follow the link: <https://welcome.upr.si/researcher/prepare/health-insurance-2/>

ARTICLE 6 – APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications must be submitted jointly by each relevant Department/Faculty of each University. Departments/Faculties announce their proposal to their university.

Each Department may submit no more than two applications, indicating an order of priority.

Applications must be submitted by the University Departments through the form attached to this Call (Annex A). The form includes a plan of the visit, including a course work (planned lectures within specific subjects at each university) and is signed by the Head of the Department.

Along **with Annex A**, the Department/Faculty attaches:

1. **curriculum vitae of the Visiting Professor** drawn up in English;
2. a **declaration of interest** drawn up in English and signed by the candidate using the form in **Annex B** of this Call.
3. **a copy of a valid identity document of the Visiting Professor.**
(In Italy: Pursuant to Article 18 (1)(b) and (c) of Italian Law No 240/2010 and subsequent amendments and additions, candidates are not eligible if, at the deadline for applications, they have up to a fourth degree of kinship by consanguinity or affinity with: a member of teaching staff within the host department, the Rector, the General Director or a member of the Board of Directors of the University of Trieste.)
4. **For UNITS only also: a copy of the minutes of the Departmental Board** stating that the Department commits itself to host the Visiting Professor.

Departments send applications with the relevant documents to the following e-mail in-box:

- UNITS: relazioni.internazionali@amm.units.it
- UP: transform4europe@upr.si

The subject of the e-mail should be the following: **T4EU CALL FOR VISITING PROFESSORSHIP.**

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Applications have to be submitted by **8th November 2024**.

ARTICLE 7 – SELECTION

Each part will verify that each application complies with the admission requirements set in this Call.

Eligible applications will then be evaluated by a joint committee consisting of:

1. A T4EU steering committee member of each university,
2. A T4EU project management board member of each university,
3. A representative of the international office (or the office in charge of this procedure) of each university.

The Committee will evaluate all applications on the basis of the following criteria:

- relevance of the programme in line with T4EU mission,
- expected impact of the placement (longer visits with a more diverse activities (not only – teaching, but also research and development work) are expected to have higher impact
- planned scientific activity.

For the University of Trieste

After the approval of the Academic bodies, results will be published on the university website and notified to the relevant hosting Department.

ARTICLE 8 – FURTHER DOCUMENTS

For the University of Primorska

A hosting agreement will be signed with the selected candidate.

For the University of Trieste

a. Affiliation form

According to the Regulations in force of the University of Trieste on Visiting Professor, upon arrival the Visiting Professor and the host Department will sign an Affiliation form.

b. Final report

At the end of his/her stay, the Visiting Professor will submit a brief report on the activities carried out at the hosting Department countersigned by the contact professor at the Department.

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A copy of the final report will also be sent to the Unit for Development cooperation and University networks **by 31st October 2026**.

ARTICLE 9 – ADVERTISING AND CONCLUSION OF PROCEEDINGS

This Call and results will be published on the website of both Universities.

ARTICLE 10 – PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

For the University of Primorska

The University of Primorska undertakes to respect the confidential nature of the information provided by candidates. All data provided will be processed only for purposes related to this selection procedure and the eventual management of an applicant's relationship with the University, in compliance with the provisions in force.

For the University of Trieste

Pursuant to Italian Legislative Decree No 196 of 30 June 2003, as amended by Italian Legislative Decree No 101 of 10 August 2018, and pursuant to EU Regulation No. 679/2016 – General Data Protection Regulation, the University undertakes to respect the confidential nature of the information provided by candidates. All data provided will be processed only for purposes related to this selection procedure and the eventual management of an applicant's relationship with the University, in compliance with the provisions in force.

ARTICLE 11 – PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE AND CONTACTS

For the University of Primorska

Unit in charge of the administrative procedure: International Office of the University of Primorska
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For the University of Trieste

Pursuant to Italian Law No 241 of 7 August 1990, the person in charge of this administrative procedure, as far as of competence of the University of Trieste, is Carla Savastano, Head of the Unit for Development Cooperation and university networks. For any further information or clarification please contact the Unit for Development Cooperation and University Networks at the email: relazioni.internazionali@amm.units.it

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ARTICLE 12 – REFERRAL CLAUSE

For matters not covered by this Call, please refer to the Regulations on Visiting Scientist in force at both Universities.

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