

**NOTICE OF COMPETITION FOR ADMISSION TO THE DOCTORATE COURSES OF THE 42ST
CYCLE - INCLUDING THE 3ND CYCLE AFAM - Academic Year 2026/2027**

THE DIRECTOR

- SEEN** Law no. 508 of 21 December 1999, concerning the “reform of the Academies of Fine Arts, the National Academy of Dance, the National Academy of Dramatic Arts, the Higher Institutes for Artistic Industries, the Conservatories of Music and the recognised Music Institutes”;
- HAVING SEEN** Presidential Decree (D.P.R.) no. 132 of 28 February 2003, “Regulation laying down criteria for the statutory, regulatory and organisational autonomy of artistic and musical institutions, pursuant to Law no. 508 of 21 December 1999”;
- SEEN** Presidential Decree (D.P.R.) no. 212 of 8 July 2005, “Regulation governing the definition of the academic regulations of the Institutions of higher education in art, music and dance, pursuant to Article 2 of Law no. 508 of 21 December 1999”;
- SEEN** Ministerial Decree (D.M.) no. 226 of 14 December 2021, “Regulation laying down the procedures for the accreditation of doctoral venues and programmes and the criteria for the establishment of doctoral programmes by accredited bodies”;
- SEEN** Article 2, paragraph 5 of Law no. 508 of 21 December 1999;
- SEEN** Article 3, paragraph 10 of Decree-Law no. 80 of 9 June 2021;
- SEEN** Article 4, paragraph 5 of D.M. no. 351 of 9 April 2022;
- SEEN** D.M. no. 470 of 21 February 2024 - Decree defining the procedures for the accreditation of the doctoral programmes of the institutions of higher education in art, music and dance (AFAM);
- SEEN** the MUR note, General Secretariat, Directorate General for Higher Education Systems and the Right to Study, Prot. no. 9166 of 13/05/2024 - Ministerial Decree no. 470 of 21 February 2024 - AFAM doctoral programmes - Amendments to the academic regulations of the Institutions;
- SEEN** D.M. no. 544 of 27 March 2024 - Decree determining the annual amount of the scholarship for attending the doctoral programmes of the Institutions of Higher Education in Art, Music and Dance (AFAM);
- SEEN** D.M. no. 778 of 12 May 2024 - Decree approving the Guidelines for the accreditation of the doctoral programmes of the Institutions of Higher Education in Art, Music and Dance (AFAM);
- SEEN** Article 9 of the Academic Regulations of the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna (D.D.G. no. 2967 of 19 December 2013, as amended by Resolution no. 20 of Academic Council no. 6 of 22 May 2024);
- SEEN** D.M. no. 11649 of 18 June 2024 - Operating instructions for AFAM Institutions supplementing note Prot. 8614 of 02/05/2024;
- SEEN** Resolution no. 27/2024 of 09/07/2024 of the Academic Council, which approved the doctoral programmes submitted for accreditation;
- SEEN** the opinion of ANVUR issued by Resolution no. 183 of 30/07/2024;

VIEW Ministerial Decree 1366 of 08/27/2024 – accreditation of the following doctoral courses: Art, education and multimedia (DOT24P8J9Z); Safeguarding cultural heritage in the era of ecological transition: innovative materials and methodologies for sustainable restoration (DOT245KL8B); Languages, materials, processes and sustainability in artistic production contemporary (DOT244XE4K);

SEEN Resolution no. 10/2026 of the Academic Council approving the renewal of the three Doctoral Programmes, 42nd cycle, including the 3rd AFAM cycle - A.Y. 2026/27

CONSIDERING points 2, letter c) and 3.1 of the Ministerial Decree of 22 March 2022 n. 301, containing the Guidelines for the accreditation of research doctorates pursuant to art. 4, paragraph 3 of the Regulation referred to in Ministerial Decree 14

DEEMING IT NECESSARY to issue the call for applications announcing public competitions for admission to the doctoral programmes – 42nd cycle, including the 3rd AFAM cycle – with administrative seat at the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna;

HAVING ASSESSED the advisability of starting the selection procedures pending the outcome of the ANVUR evaluation for the accreditation of the 42nd cycle, including the 3rd AFAM cycle, and the verification by the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) that the requirements are met;

DECREES

Art. 1 - Establishment and announcement of the competition

1. A public competition is hereby announced for admission to three Doctoral Programmes of the 42nd cycle – including the 3rd AFAM cycle - A.Y. 2026/2027, with administrative headquarters at the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna, listed below:

- **Art, Education and Multimedia - 2 positions - (Annex A);**
- **Safeguarding Cultural Heritage in the era of ecological transition: innovative materials and methodologies for sustainable restoration - 2 positions - (Annex B);**
- **Languages, materials, processes and sustainability in contemporary artistic production - 2 positions - (Annex C);**

(hereinafter *Doctoral Courses*), with administrative headquarters at the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna, with a duration of three years.

2. The Doctoral Courses are scheduled to start in December 2026.

3. For each Doctoral Programme, this call is accompanied by a descriptive sheet (Annexes A, B and C), which forms an integral part of it and which contains, among other things, the following information:

- programme coordinator;
- programme duration, start date, language and admission procedure;
- available positions and scholarships;
- admission examinations (evaluation of qualifications and research project, and oral examination);
- documents to be attached (mandatory documentation and other documents that may be evaluated);
- evaluation of the examinations and scores awarded (evaluation of qualifications and research project, evaluation of the oral examination).

4. This call has the value of notification for all purposes. Any amendments, updates or additions to its content will be made known exclusively by publication on the website: <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>.

5. The Administration reserves the right to revoke the call, to suspend or postpone the competition examinations, and to suspend or not proceed with the admission of the successful candidates, or not to award all the scholarships provided for by the call itself, owing to needs that cannot currently be assessed or in the absence of suitable candidates. The allocation of the positions announced and the award of the scholarships funded by the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) are subject to ministerial approval and to the signing of the Deed of Commitment (Atto d'Obbligo) relating to the project concerned. Should the MUR or the other parties involved fail to provide the funding necessary to cover the scholarships, the scholarships will not be paid, and the positions awarded to the successful candidates will consequently lapse.

The scholarships provided for by this call and not awarded may be reallocated, according to the procedures and criteria established by the Administration, to candidates who have been found suitable in the rankings of other Doctoral Programmes of the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna, in compliance with the funding constraints and the purposes of the projects for which the scholarships are intended.

6. This call, drafted in Italian and translated into English, is published on the institutional website of the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna and in the relevant section of the Transparent Administration (Amministrazione Trasparente) area; such publication constitutes official notification to the interested parties for all the information contained therein, and candidates will therefore receive no further communications.

This call is also publicised on the institutional web page: <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>.

Notice of this call will also be published on the European website Euraxess and on that of the Ministry of University and Research. Any corrections will be made known exclusively by publication on the institutional web page: <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>.

7. The use of the masculine gender in this call has no discriminatory character and is intended as a neutral gender in order to meet the need for more immediate communication.

Art. 2 - General requirements for participation

1. Applications to participate in the competition for admission to the Doctoral Courses indicated in Art. 1 of this call may be submitted, without discrimination of gender, age, religion or nationality, by those who hold one of the following qualifications:

- a) second-level academic diploma (according to the study pathways indicated in Annexes A, B and C);
- b) academic diploma under the previous system (V.O.), if accompanied by the upper secondary school

diploma;

- c) master's degree (laurea magistrale) (only for the Doctoral Programme in Annex B);
- d) single-cycle degree under the previous system (V.O.) (only for the Doctoral Programme in Annex B);
- e) qualification obtained abroad (Master's Degree) recognised as equivalent under international agreements (EQF 7).

2. Applications may also be submitted by those who will obtain the qualification required for admission by **25 November 2026** at the latest, provided that they undertake to self-certify the award of the qualification, on pain of forfeiture of enrolment; for these candidates, for the purposes of participation in the competition, the weighted average of the grades obtained in the examinations taken and the drafting of the thesis in the course of submission will be evaluated.

3. All candidates are admitted to the competition procedure subject to verification of the self-certified statements pursuant to Presidential Decree no. 445/2000 as amended. The Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna may, at any stage of the procedure, even after the start of the Doctoral Programmes, carry out checks on the truthfulness of the statements made and request the production of the original documents. The Administration may at any time, by reasoned order, exclude candidates from the competition procedure or declare the forfeiture of admission to the Programme for lack of the requirements prescribed by this call, without prejudice to criminal liability arising from false statements. Such order will be communicated to the person concerned exclusively by certified e-mail (PEC), which each candidate is required to activate for this purpose.

Art. 3 - Requirements for candidates holding a qualification obtained abroad

The qualifications of candidates holding a qualification obtained abroad that has not already been recognised as equivalent to the entry qualifications referred to in Art. 2, paragraph 1 above will be evaluated - solely for the purposes of admission to the competition - by the doctoral Admissions Committee, in compliance with the legislation in force in Italy and in the country where the qualification was issued, as well as with treaties or international agreements on the recognition of qualifications for the purpose of continuing studies. The application must be accompanied, on pain of exclusion, by the following documentation, to be submitted using the online procedure referred to in Art. 5 below:

- a) a) original qualification, legalised by the competent authorities of the country issuing the qualification, with an official translation into Italian or English; accompanied by the list of examinations taken and the relevant grades and credits, with the grading scale to which the grades refer (Transcript of Records)
- b) b) Diploma Supplement or CIMEA Statement of Comparability issued by the Italian ENIC-NARIC centre or by other ENIC-NARIC centres
- c) c) any further original foreign qualifications, legalised by the competent authorities of the country issuing the qualifications, with an official translation into Italian or English; accompanied by the list of examinations taken and the relevant grades and credits, with the grading scale to which the grades refer

- d) d) Declaration of Value (Dichiarazione di valore in loco) issued by the Italian Embassy in the country where the qualification was obtained (optional at the application stage, mandatory at the enrolment stage)

Art. 4 - Candidates with disabilities and Specific Learning Disorders (DSA)

In order to ensure equal opportunities in the conduct of the examinations, candidates with disabilities (pursuant to Law no. 104 of 5 February 1992, as supplemented by Law no. 17 of 28 January 1999) or with Specific Learning Disorders - DSA (pursuant to Law no. 170 of 8 October 2010) must submit in their application an explicit request regarding the support required, as well as any need for additional time for the examination. It is specified that candidates with disabilities must submit appropriate medical certification issued by the competent health authorities through the medical boards.

Candidates with Specific Learning Disorders must submit appropriate clinical certification, issued no more than three years earlier by the National Health Service. Regions in whose territory it is not possible to make the diagnosis within the specialist treatments provided by the National Health Service may provide, within the limits of the human, instrumental and financial resources available under current legislation, for the same diagnosis to be made by accredited specialists or facilities.

Failure to submit the documentation online by the deadline established in this call will not entitle the applicant to the support requested.

Art. 5 - Application (deadline and procedure)

1. The application to participate in the competition, accompanied by the required documentation, on pain of exclusion, must be completed and submitted exclusively online, using the dedicated online procedure available at <https://ababo.selezionieconcorsi.it/>, **starting from 23 October 2026 and no later than 13:00 (Italian time) on 23 November 2026**. After this deadline the system will close automatically and will not allow the submission of applications. Applications transmitted by other means will not be considered for the purposes of participation in the competition. Under no circumstances will additions to the documentation be accepted after the above-mentioned deadline of the call. Before final submission of the application, candidates must print the application, sign it and upload the PDF in the procedure, attaching a copy of a valid identity document, the research project and any other relevant qualifications; for access via SPID, no signature will be required.

2. It is the candidates' responsibility to verify the correct completion of the procedure. No complaints will be accepted for any malfunctioning of the IT system due to technical problems and/or overloading of the communication line and/or of the application systems.

3. For the documentation to be attached to the application, reference should be made to the descriptive sheet attached for each Doctoral Programme, which forms an integral part of the call. It is the candidate's responsibility to verify that everything required has been correctly uploaded, bearing in mind that, for the purposes of participation in the competition, only qualifications correctly attached will be evaluated. The Administration accepts no responsibility if the documentation submitted in electronic format cannot be read because of damaged files or folders.

4. The application is to be considered, for all legal purposes, as a self-certification, pursuant to Arts. 46 and 47 of Presidential Decree 445/2000 as amended, of the data contained therein and of the documents attached to it.

5. To participate in the competition, candidates must, on pain of exclusion from the competition, by the deadline for the submission of applications, pay € 30.00 (thirty euros) as a contribution towards participation in the admission examinations for the Doctoral Programme.

Payment must be made through the PagoPA system by connecting to the following link <https://linkmatesec.serviziienti.it/Linkmate/> under the item Admission Fees (Contributi Ammissioni), specifying the payment reason "First Name and Surname - Doctoral Call III AFAM cycle A.Y. 2026/2027". This contribution will not be refunded under any circumstances. Those who pay the competition fee by methods other than those described above or outside the deadlines indicated above will not be admitted to participate in the competition procedure.

6. A candidate will be excluded from participation in the admission competition if he or she does not meet the general admission requirements referred to in Art. 2 of this call, or submits an application that is not accompanied by:

- a) a copy of an identity document and the research project;
- b) payment of € 30.00 as a participation contribution;
- c) the academic qualification translated as provided for in Art. 3 above (only for candidates holding a foreign qualification);
- d) the documentation required for candidates holding a foreign qualification as provided for in Art. 3 above;
- e) or does not have an active PEC (certified e-mail) address.

Art. 6 - Documentation to be attached to the application

1. For the purposes of the evaluation of qualifications, candidates must attach to the application the documents indicated in the sheet of the Doctoral Programme for which they are applying, which forms an integral part of the call.

2. To participate in the competition procedure, deeds and documents drafted in Italian and English may be attached. Deeds and documents drafted in a different language must be accompanied by an Italian translation certified as conforming to the foreign text by the competent Italian diplomatic or consular representation, or by an official translator, or by a substitute declaration of notoriety (dichiarazione sostitutiva dell'atto di notorietà).

Art. 7 - Admissions Committees and their duties

1. The Admissions Committees for each Programme will be appointed by Director's decree in accordance with the legislation in force. The composition of each Committee will be published on the institutional page at <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>.

2. Each Admissions Committee, for the purpose of publication on the institutional page at <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>, will provide:

- the competition schedule;
- the results of the evaluation of qualifications, which must take place at least three working days before the interview;
- the final evaluation (evaluation of qualifications and interview) according to the timing of the competition schedule.

Art. 8 - Admission examination and qualifications that may be evaluated

1. The admission examination for the Doctoral Programmes is intended to ascertain the candidate's aptitude for scientific research; in conducting the interview with foreign candidates, the Admissions Committee, at its sole discretion, will assess a good knowledge of the Italian language.
2. The competition procedure provides for the evaluation of qualifications, including the mandatory submission of a research project, and an oral examination, in accordance with the sheets attached to this call.
3. The research project must be relevant to the individual Programme and must comply with the parameters indicated in the attached sheets. The Committee will exclude, without any evaluation of qualifications, candidates who have submitted a research project that is not relevant to the chosen Doctoral Programme.
4. The competition schedule will be made known on the institutional website at <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>. The publication of this call and of the data contained in the attached sheets has the value of notification for all purposes. Therefore, candidates who have not been notified of their exclusion from the competition must sit the examination, without any further notice, according to the schedule indicated. Any changes to the date and time of the selection examinations will be published on the same institutional website: <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>.
5. The Admissions Committee referred to in Art. 7 above, for the evaluation of candidates, has 100 points available, divided as indicated in the sheets of the Doctoral Programmes.
6. The oral examination is public and will be held exclusively in person on the day and at the time established. The candidate's absence on the day and at the time of the oral examination will be considered a withdrawal from the competition.
7. For the evaluation of qualifications and of the oral examination, without prejudice to the autonomy of the Admissions Committee, reference is made to the specifications contained in the sheets of the Doctoral Programmes.

Art. 9 - Approval of the general merit ranking

1. The general merit ranking for each Doctoral Programme will be approved by Director's decree, drawn up in descending order of the overall score obtained by each candidate. In the event of a tie between two or more candidates, the candidate who is younger by age prevails. A successful candidate who does not accept the type of scholarship assigned may not benefit from other types of scholarships in the same Doctoral Programme and forfeits admission to it.

2. The above-mentioned general merit rankings will be published on the institutional page <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>. A complaint against them may be submitted within 5 working days of publication. After this deadline, each ranking is to be considered definitively approved. Publication will have the value of official notification to the interested parties; therefore, no personal communications will be sent to candidates.

Art. 10 - Enrolment of successful candidates

1. For admission to the Programme, successful candidates must, no later than 19 December 2026, submit an enrolment application, exclusively according to the operating procedures that will be published on the institutional page <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>. Those who fail to do so by the deadline set will be considered to have forfeited their place for all purposes, and the vacant places will be assigned to those holding an eligible position in the merit ranking of each individual Doctoral Programme, by moving down the ranking.
2. Successful candidates who obtain their academic diploma or degree by 25 November 2026 must self-certify the award of the qualification, by the above-mentioned date, at the following e-mail address: annalisa.asti@ababo.it
3. If a candidate is eligibly placed in the rankings of several different PhD Programmes, he or she must exercise an option for one Doctoral Programme only.

Art. 11 - Scholarships, fees and contributions

1. This call awards 6 research scholarships funded by the Ministry of University and Research.

The scholarships have a total duration of at least three years and are renewed annually subject to a positive verification of the completion of the programme of activities envisaged for each year. The renewal procedures are established by the Doctoral Board and set out in Art. 9 of the Academic Regulations of the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna. If the scholarship is not renewed or if the doctoral student renounces it, the unused amount of the scholarship is reinvested by the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna to fund other doctoral programmes.

2. **The amount of the scholarship for the academic year 2026/2027 is € 16,243.00** and is paid in monthly instalments, in arrears with respect to attendance and to the study and research activity carried out, for three-year doctoral programmes. The scholarship is subject to the payment of INPS social security contributions under the separate scheme (gestione separata) pursuant to Art. 2, paragraph 26, of Law no. 335 of 8 August 1995, two thirds being borne by the administration and one third by the scholarship holder. Doctoral students benefit from the related protections and rights.

3. The scholarship cannot be combined with the remuneration of research grants (assegni di ricerca), nor with any other scholarship of any kind that provides financial compensation.

4. Anyone who has already benefited, even partially, from a scholarship for a Doctoral Programme in Italy may not apply to receive one a second time.

5. The increase of the scholarship is set at a maximum of 50% and for no more than six months in total, for research activities abroad previously authorised by the Doctoral Board.

6. For research activities in Italy and abroad, in addition to the scholarship, the doctoral student is guaranteed a budget of not less than 10% of the amount of the scholarship itself, as per Art. 8 of D.M. 470/2024.

7. Payment of the scholarship to non-EU candidates will be subject to the issuance of an entry visa by the competent Italian diplomatic representation in their country and to the obtaining of the tax code (codice fiscale). Therefore, the application for the tax code must be submitted as a priority at the Italian Embassy in the country of origin together with the visa application, in order to shorten the issuing time.

Art. 12 - University right-to-study tax

By and no later than the deadline set for enrolment, successful candidates are required to pay the stamp duty of € 16.00 and the regional university right-to-study tax for A.Y. 2026/2027.

Art. 13 – Incompatibility and grounds for exclusion

1. Attendance of the Doctoral Programme is incompatible with simultaneous enrolment in another PhD Programme, in first- and second-level programmes at AFAM institutions, in degree programmes of any level, in postgraduate specialisation schools and in first- and second-level Master's programmes.

2. Following notification by PEC, the Doctoral Board may, with reasons, resolve to exclude the student in the event of:

- a) failure to comply with the obligations set for progression to the next year and/or for the completion of the Programme;
- b) insufficient results in the interim and/or annual assessments;
- c) unjustified and prolonged absence or prolonged untraceability;
- d) conduct by a student that is incompatible with research ethics and with the rules of good conduct prescribed by the organisational structure in which the Programme is based.

This resolution must be adopted by an absolute majority of those entitled to vote on the Doctoral Board. From the date of the exclusion resolution, payment of the scholarship is suspended.

Art. 14 – Rights and duties of doctoral students

1. The Programme requires exclusive and full-time commitment, without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph 5 below. Those enrolled in the Doctoral Programmes are obliged to attend and to carry out all study and research activities within the host structure, according to the procedures laid down by the Faculty Board of the doctorate.

The Doctoral Board, according to the procedures defined by the general academic regulations of the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna, may authorise the doctoral student to carry out paid activities that allow them to acquire skills relating to the training field of the doctorate, after assessing the compatibility of such activities with the proper conduct of the training, teaching and research activities of the doctoral programme. The maximum income of the doctoral student compatible with the scholarship may not exceed 70% of the amount of the scholarship itself (Art. 11 of D.M. 470/2024).

2. Doctoral students may spend a period of research abroad, agreed with their supervisor and approved by the programme coordinator. The maximum duration of the stay abroad is 6 months. The scholarship is increased by 50% for each month in which the stay abroad lasts at least 21 days. Each doctoral student is assigned a supervisor, chosen from among the members of the Doctoral Board. With reference to industrial doctorates or art conservation/production doctorates, it is also necessary that each doctoral student be assigned a co-supervisor internal to the company, Body or Institution with which the research project is carried out.

3. Doctoral students may carry out, as an integral part of the training project, subject to the authorisation of the Doctoral Board and without any increase in the scholarship, supplementary teaching activities, possibly remunerated with the Institution's resources, for students of first- and second-level academic diploma programmes, within the limit of 40 hours per academic year.

4. The truthfulness of the various activities carried out by doctoral students is certified by the Coordinator on the basis of the indications provided by the supervisor and by the co-supervisor, if any.

5. At the end of each year of the Programme, the Doctoral Board, on the basis of the report on the activity and research carried out by each doctoral student, resolves on admission to the following year or proposes to the Director the exclusion from continuing the Programme.

6. The doctoral student may ask the Doctoral Board, for proven reasons, for an extension of the time envisaged for the submission of the doctoral thesis, of a maximum duration of twelve months, without further financial charges.

7. The Doctoral Board may decide to extend the duration of the doctoral programme for a period not exceeding twelve months for reasoned scientific needs, according to procedures defined by the general academic regulations of the Institution. In cases of extension, a corresponding extension of the duration of the scholarship must be ensured with funds charged to the budget of the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna. Therefore, the reasoned extension proposal of the Doctoral Board will be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval, for the relevant financial verification.

8. The rules on measures for the right to study set out in Legislative Decree no. 68 of 29 March 2012 remain applicable to doctoral students.

9. Within the application of the rules protecting parenthood set out in the Decree of the Minister of Labour and Social Security of 12 July 2007, published in the Official Gazette no. 247 of 23 October 2007, doctoral students on leave retain the right to the scholarship. At the end of the period of suspension, the scholarship is paid upon resumption of attendance of the programme until the total duration of the scholarship itself is reached.

10. Doctoral students are bound by confidentiality with regard to the research activities in which they participate at external Bodies.

11. Following enrolment in the Programme, each doctoral student will be given an e-mail account of the Academy of Fine Arts of Bologna, through which they will receive institutional communications.

12. All administrative information concerning doctoral students and their careers will be made known on the institutional web page <https://www.ababo.it/courses-and-subjects/dottorati-di-ricerca>. The aforementioned publication replaces any other communication and, therefore, successful candidates are required to consult the above-mentioned website to keep constantly up to date.

Art. 15 - Award of the Doctorate

The title of Doctor of Philosophy (Dottore di ricerca), abbreviated as «Dott. Ric.» or «Ph.D.», is awarded following the positive evaluation of a research work that contributes to the advancement of knowledge or methodologies in the chosen field of investigation.

The doctoral thesis must present the outcomes of the research pathway and the defence will take place in public before a Committee appointed according to the procedures laid down in the general academic regulations of the Academy.

At the end of the defence, the Committee expresses a written and reasoned judgement on the research work presented in the thesis and, when it unanimously recognises its particular scientific/artistic significance, may award distinction (lode).

Art. 16 - Processing of personal data

Pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 196 of 30/06/2003, as amended by Legislative Decree no. 101 of 10/08/2018, as well as to Regulation

(EU) no. 679/2016 (General Data Protection Regulation, or GDPR for short), the Academy undertakes to respect the confidentiality of the information provided by candidates: all data provided will be processed only for purposes connected and instrumental to the competition and to the possible management of the relationship with the Academy, in compliance with the provisions in force.

Art. 17 - Head of the administrative procedure

Pursuant to Law no. 241 of 7 August 1990 as amended, the head of the procedure for this call is identified as the Director of the Institution hosting the procedure.

Candidates may exercise the right of access to the documents of the procedure pursuant to the Regulation

on access to Administrative Documents, which can be consulted at the following [link](#).

The request, addressed to the Head of the procedure, must be sent to the Registry Office (Ufficio Protocollo) at protocollo@pec.ababo.it.

Art. 18 – Final provisions

For anything not provided for in this call, the legislative and regulatory provisions on doctoral research apply.

The Director
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