

Call for Staff Mobility

(Researchers, Faculty, and Training)

PNRR-TNE International Mobility Programme - Assessing Constitutional Crisis Impact and Security (IMP-ACCTS)

Project Proposal TNE23-00057 – CUP B61I24000450006

A selection process is launched for the allocation of mobility grants for research, teaching, and training at partner universities of the PNRR/TNE IMP-ACCTS Project (CUP B61I24000450006), listed in *Annex A*.

The mobility period can commence from January 2025 and must be completed by March 31, 2026.

The mobility opportunities must adhere to the following criterion: staff from Italian universities can only carry out mobility at a foreign university, while staff from foreign partners must carry out mobility at an Italian university.

1 - Duration of Mobility and Eligible Activities

Mobility for teaching or training staff must last a minimum of 5 effective days and a maximum of 3 months, excluding travel days.

The mobility periods must be agreed upon with the host universities.

Mobility for academic staff for research or teaching (*Staff Mobility for Researching or Teaching*):

- Mobility for **teaching** activities by faculty members of partner universities;
- Mobility for **research** activities by researchers and faculty members of partner universities.

Mobility for administrative staff for training (*Staff Mobility for Training*):

- Mobility aimed at professional development for **teaching** and administrative staff. This may include training events abroad (excluding conferences) and periods of job shadowing/observation/training at a partner university.

2 - Funding

The PNRR/TNE IMP-ACCTS international mobility project provides financial support for participants, as detailed in the attached table (*Annex C*):

- Individual support;
- Travel support;
- Teaching support, which will be based on the number of actual academic teaching hours completed at the host university and agreed upon before mobility;
- Research grant: researchers and faculty members engaging in research mobility may submit projects aimed at resulting in co-authored work or publications between the candidate and members of the host university, which may be supported with appropriate research grants. The grants will be based on the projected scientific impact of the work/publication, as assessed by the Commission described in Article 4.

3 - Application Submission

Applications must be completed on the designated application form available at <https://sites.google.com/unisi.it/imp-accts-project> and on the international mobility pages of the partner universities.

The following documents must be attached to the application:

- 1) Curriculum Vitae
- 2) For *teaching staff mobility*: the "*Mobility Agreement for teaching*" form, duly completed and signed by the applicant and the host university. Any request for a teaching grant must be explicitly indicated in the application.
- 3) For *research staff mobility*: the "*Mobility Agreement for researching*" form, duly completed and signed by the applicant and the host university. Any request for a research grant must be explicitly indicated, and in such cases, a project agreed upon with the host university, intended to result in co-authored work or publications, must be attached.
- 4) For *training staff mobility*: the "*Mobility Agreement for training*" form, duly completed and signed by the applicant, the host university, and the applicant's home institution.
- 5) A valid ID document.

Applications, with all required documents, must be submitted to the applicant's home university. After a pre-selection process, as outlined in Article 4, the selected applications must be forwarded by the home university to imp-accts+STAFF@unisi.it **at least 90 days before the planned mobility**.

Applications will be reviewed, and grants awarded until the financial resources are exhausted.

4 - Evaluation of Applications and Participant Selection

Applications will be evaluated in two stages:

First Stage (by the home university):

The applicant's home university will verify eligibility and rank applications based on the following criteria:

- Consistency and relevance of the teaching, training, or research program;
- Priority is given to candidates from linguistic, religious, or other cultural minorities;
- Gender balance will be ensured. To ensure gender balance, efforts will be made to admit an equal number of candidates from both genders. Any remaining spots will be reassigned based on the overall ranking.

Second Stage (by the Italian Partnership):

Applications will be evaluated by a Commission composed of the four scientific coordinators from the four Italian partner universities of the TNE23-00057 project or their delegates. An administrative staff member will participate as a secretary. The committee will compile the final ranking based on the same criteria described above. The ranking will be approved according to the internal procedures of each university.

The Commission will meet monthly, including online, to evaluate submitted applications.

For teaching mobility, the Commission will determine the teaching grants, considering the number of teaching academic hours to be completed at the host university.

For research mobility, the Commission will evaluate the project intended to result in co-authored work or publications and will award the research grant based on the projected scientific impact of the work/publication.

Candidates deemed eligible but not awarded a PNRR/TNE mobility grant will be placed on a reserve list. In the event of a withdrawal by a grant winner, these candidates may participate in the mobility program.

The list of selected candidates for each destination will be published on the <https://sites.google.com/unisi.it/imp-accts-project> website and the international mobility pages of the partner universities. Selected candidates and eligible candidates will also be notified by email.

5 - Financial Contributions and Payment Procedures

The contributions specified in Article 2 will be paid after the completion of mobility, following Italian law and the internal rules of each partner university.

For the disbursement of *Teaching support*, it is necessary to submit official certificates of the actual teaching academic hours completed at the host university.

For the disbursement of *Research grants*, a scientific report describing the completed project and providing specific details about the publication of results must be submitted.

The financial support provided by the PNRR/TNE IMP-ACCTS international mobility project is compatible with other grants provided by regional authorities or other entities, as long as these funds do not originate from European sources, in compliance with the ban on double funding.

6 - Obligations of Grant Recipients

6.1. Before Departure:

Visa Requirement (if applicable): The partner universities will inform incoming grant recipients about visa procedures. Italian universities will issue all selected candidates a statement indicating the amount of the PNRR/TNE grant. The host universities will issue an acceptance letter.

6.2. Upon Return:

Upon returning from mobility, participants must send the following documents to imp-accts+STAFF@unisi.it :

- Attendance Certificate issued by the host university, indicating the start and end dates of mobility. For teaching mobility, the certificate must also indicate the teaching academic hours completed;
- Copies of travel documents (e.g., train, plane tickets) and boarding passes if applicable;
- Final Report (Survey) describing the research, teaching, or training activities carried out during mobility.

All documentation and information related to PNRR/TNE mobility will be available at <https://sites.google.com/unisi.it/imp-accts-project> .

7 - Insurance

The partner universities of the IMP-ACCTS project offer accident and third-party liability insurance at the place of study/work to all participants.



Participants are required to ensure they have adequate health coverage during their stay abroad, under the host country's regulations.

8 - Safety Conditions

All mobility is subject to an assessment of the security conditions in the destination countries, based on local and national provisions. For students departing from Italian universities, the guidelines of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) will be followed.

The PNRR/TNE IMP-ACCTS Commission reserves the right to exclude applications to countries or regions deemed unsafe due to political crises, armed conflicts, or humanitarian crises.

9 - Personal Data Processing and Confidentiality

Regarding the processing of personal data submitted by applicants in connection with the PNRR/TNE IMP-ACCTS project, reference should be made to the privacy notice provided by the partner universities. This notice can be found in *Annex D*.

