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UNIVERSITY OF PRIMORSKA AND UNIVERSITY OF TRIESTE THIRD JOINT CALL FOR VISITING PROFESSORSHIP FROM RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS OUTSIDE THE T4EU ALLIANCE: 1st AND 2nd TERM A.Y. 2026–2027

Deadline for submission of applications:

1st term 2026–2027: 21 September 2026

2nd term 2026–2027: 12 February 2027

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 project *Transform4europe: the European University for knowledge entrepreneurs, Work Package 8.3, Milestone 36 – Visiting Professorship*, through this Visiting Professorship scheme **the University of Primorska (Slovenia) and the University of Trieste (Italy) launch a joint international Call** for the selection of full, associate and assistant professors (or individuals with equivalent positions in foreign research Institutions) belonging to foreign Institutions located outside the T4EU Alliance.

During their 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 first or second semester of the academic year 2026–2027 and must be concluded by **30 June 2027**.
- b. A visiting professorship's length is organized on the basis of the programme but in principle should last **20 days (10 days at each university)**, depending on the programme. The duration spent at each university is split equally.

At the University of Trieste, it is compulsory that each candidate spends at least 10 days, in order to be entitled as Visiting Professor.

The Visiting Professorship should belong to the following areas:

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

The Visiting Professor will be hosted by the corresponding Departments/Faculties of the two Universities, as follows:

AREA	UNITS DEPARTMENT	UP FACULTY
ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT	DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC, BUSINESS, MATHEMATICAL AND STATISTICAL SCIENCES	– UP FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT – UP FACULTY OF TOURISM STUDIES – TURISTICA
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

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

During their visiting period, professors are also required to carry out research activity. Teaching and research activities should be carried out 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

University of Trieste

For each Visiting Professorship the selected Department will receive EUR 3.571,43, corresponding to the Visiting Professor's overall amount (EUR 2.500,00 net).

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.

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ARTICLE 4 – VISITING PROFESSOR'S COMMITMENT

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

At the University of Trieste

The Visiting Professor is required to carry out the following activities in English or in another foreign language consistent with the course in which the activity will be held:

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) as part of a bachelor's, master's or doctoral degree.

Visiting professorships held within specialisation courses in medical fields must be carried out in 1st and 2nd term A.Y. 2026–2027. Lectures may be given across different courses, provided they:

- meet the above requirements
- are offered by the host Department
- are given by the same Visiting Professor

2. a seminar held at the host Department;

3. a roundtable addressed to 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 school(s) involved. In the case of joint doctorates, the workshop will be held at the University of Trieste.

Departments that do not offer a PhD course will have to organise an interdisciplinary roundtable addressed to all PhD students at the University.

Activities within courses for bachelor's and master's degrees (lectures) must be scheduled within the academic calendar and must comply with the relevant University regulations and especially with the Guidelines on course offering and scheduled educational activities approved by the Academic Senate on 16th July 2024. In the case of a visiting professorship, however, lectures must be taught in person.

4. research activity agreed with the hosting Department.

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

ARTICLE 5 - INSURANCE

University of Trieste

The insurance coverage provided for by current regulations, as well as the existence of insurance coverage related to the specific activities to be carried out (e.g., access to laboratories, use of equipment, etc.), must be verified by the host Department, before the arrival of the Visiting Professor, with the University Office responsible for insurance matters.

If the Visiting Professor comes from a Member State of the European Union, being in possession of the EHIC (European Health Insurance Card), they are entitled to healthcare coverage.

University of Primorska

Visiting professor should arrange health and travel assurance before arrival. For more information, please visit: <https://welcome.upr.si/researcher/prepare/health-insurance-2/>

ARTICLE 6 - APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications must be submitted jointly. Each relevant Department/Faculty of each University shall apply to its respective University.

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

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Applications must be submitted through the form attached to this Call (Annex A). The form includes a plan of the visit, indicating course work (planned lectures within specific subjects at each university).

Applications should be signed by the Head of the Department.

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

1. a **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 the University of Trieste only): a copy of the minutes of the Departmental Board** stating the commitment of the Department to host the Visiting Professor.

Departments send applications with the relevant documents to the following e-mail addresses respectively:

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

The subject of the email should be the following: **T4EU – THIRD JOINT CALL FOR VISITING PROFESSORSHIP**

Applications have to be submitted:

- 1st term 2026–2027: by **21 September 2026**,
- 2nd term 2026–2027: by **12 February 2027**.

Applications are welcome from candidates who weren't selected by both Universities within the previous Calls.

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ARTICLE 7 – SELECTION

Each University will verify that applications comply 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,
- additional planned scientific activity.

For the University of Trieste

After the approval of the Committee, the ranking should be approved by the Academic Bodies of the University.

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.

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a. Affiliation form

According to the Regulations in force of the University of Trieste on Visiting Scientist, 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.

A copy of the final report will also be sent to the competent office in charge of Visiting Professors **not later than a month after the conclusion of the visiting professorship**.

ARTICLE 9 – ADVERTISING AND CONCLUSION OF PROCEEDINGS

This Call and its results will be published on the website of both Universities and on the T4EU website.

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.

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

For the University of Primorska

The unit in charge of this administrative procedure is the International Office of the University of Primorska.

Contact: transform4europe@upr.si

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

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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