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**Enrolment Announcement for the PhD Research School in
"Innovation and Sustainability in Viticulture and Enology"**

Article 1

General directions

The Faculty of Agricultural Food and Environmental Sciences at of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore activates the "**Innovation and Sustainability in Viticulture and Enology PhD Research school**" for the year 2023. The school will last 80 hours. Among them, 40 hours of lectures and other activities will be held in-person at the Piacenza campus of the Università Cattolica from September 25 to 29, 2023, and the remaining 40 hours will include online preparation for the program and individual study from September 4 to October 27, 2023.

Lessons will be held in English, and a certificate of completion will be awarded at the end of the school.

The PhD School is structured into three phases as follows:

1. a warm-up will take place online. During this phase, a miscellany of material will be proposed (articles, videos, case studies, etc.) to focus the attention on various issues related to the school topic. In this preliminary phase, in addition to recorded lessons delivered, students will also be exposed to training materials aimed at preparing the basic skills necessary for participation in the in-person week.
2. a second phase, consisting of 5 days of in-person classes from September 25 to 29, 2023. This phase includes face-to-face lectures, activities, and company visits. The involvement also of foreign professors, or Italians working abroad, will allow a broader overview of the state of the art in Europe and at the broader international context;
3. a third follow-up phase by remote to conclude and consolidate the notions assimilated during the school.

The PhD School is part of a project funded by the Emilia-Romagna Region (Regional Council Resolution No. 1625 of 18/10/2021), which provides funds to the University of Parma (project leader) in relation to the "Emilia Romagna Food Science Advanced Doctoral Training Program" created by the School of Advanced Studies in Food and Nutrition. The PhD School aims to provide participants with a comprehensive view of the entire wine supply chain, starting from production and reaching the consumer. Further information concerning objectives, educational programme can be found in the course presentation posted on the website <https://phooder.unipr.it/schools/universita-cattolica-del-sacro-cuore/innovation-and-sustainability-in-viticulture-and-enology-phd-research-school/34/>

Attendance is mandatory.

Article 2

Admission requirements

The PhD School is thought for PhD students from all over the world who are engaged in all areas of food science, agricultural science and agro-engineering. Participants, if not English native speakers, are recommended to have at least a B2 level of English knowledge. This factor will be taken in consideration



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during selection. There are 20 available places for the school, and the course will be activated if the minimum number of 10 participants will be reached.

Article 3

Admission and required documents

Enrolment for the selection should be done from July 3, 2023 to August 3, 2023 (12 p.m. CEST) via <https://phooder.unipr.it/> and requires to:

- a) Insert the required information;
- b) Send the following documents to matteo.gatti@unicatt.it:
 1. Curriculum vitae;
 2. Motivational letter (in English);
 3. Degree certificate;
 4. Certificate of enrolment in a doctoral school;
 5. Certification or self-certification of knowledge of the English language;
 6. Double-sided copy of a valid identification document.

All candidates will be admitted to the selection with reserve; the committee, after evaluation of the qualifications and motivational letter, will select those candidates who are found to possess the qualifications for admission listed in this announcement.

In the event of false or misleading declarations presented by the candidate for the purposes of enrolment, without prejudice to the criminal sanctions referred to in art. 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000, the same candidate loses the right to enrol. Any false or misleading declarations may lead to exposure to juridical action for damages by the parties concerned. Any applications received after the deadline will be evaluated only if the maximum number of places available is not reached.

Article 4

Selection procedure

Admission to the PhD School is subject to a positive judgment based on the evaluation of CV, qualifications and motivational letter. Eligibility is granted with a minimum score of 60 points; the maximum score is 100. The scientific committee will meet for the evaluation of qualifications and notify applicants of admission to the school within 15 days after the closing of registration.

The selection of participants will be based on academic performance (with particular consideration to possible titles and publications), curriculum vitae, and the motivations expressed by applicants.

The geographical origin of applicants will be taken into account in the selection to encourage an international dimension in the classroom.



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Article 5

Creation and approval of the ranking

Eligible candidates are admitted to the PhD School who, in relation to the number of available places, have been placed in a useful position in the ranking list compiled on the basis of the total score reported. In case of ex-aequo precedes the one who obtained the highest score in the evaluation of the curriculum vitae; in case of further parity, the candidate with the youngest age precedes. Within fifteen working days after the closing date for applications, the Secretariat will notify students, via e-mail, of their admission to the PhD School.

Article 6

Registration of participants

Participation in the school is free of charge and includes food, but not lodging, which will be the responsibility of the participants. More information about the course location on the website <https://phooder.unipr.it/schools/universita-cattolica-del-sacro-cuore/innovation-and-sustainability-in-viticulture-and-enology-phd-research-school/34/>

Article 7

Enrolment and submission of documents

Within fifteen days from the publication of the ranking list, students will be notified by email that they have been admitted and must confirm their participation in the PhD School by sending an email to matteo.gatti@unicatt.it. Those who fail to confirm their enrolment will be considered as having waived and the ranking list will be scrolled.

Article 8

Final directions

The Faculty of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences is entitled to arrange a possible extension of the selection admission or enrolment period. The extension of the deadlines will be evaluated in case of not reaching the minimum number of participants, or for particular events or if specific educational circumstances should arise, as long as in compliance with the start date of the educational activities reported in the form attached to this announcement. Any extension will be communicated through a specific notice that will be highlighted on the PhD School website <https://phooder.unipr.it/>

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